

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Tuesday, April 26, 1994

- 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Work Session - Operations Division Manager/District Maintenance Supervisors.
- Flag Salute.
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Planning Department - Dave Hough, Director.
- 1) Signatures - Amendments to Consultant Agreements:
 - A. David Nemens & Assoc.
 - B. Geomatics International, Inc.
 - 2) Discussion - Comprehensive Plan Adoption Schedule.
 - 3) Approval and Signatures - Procedural Amendments to Skagit County Code Chapter 14.24.170(1)(c) Environmental Policy Ordinance.
 - 4) Code Enforcement Report.
 - 5) Miscellaneous.
- 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Work Session - Cooperative Extension Planning for Fiscal Year July 1994 - June 1995.
- 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 1) Proclamation - National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 24-30, 1994.
2) Signature - Interlocal Agreement - Arson Task Force.
- 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Work Session - Solid Waste Revenue Projections.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 26, 1994, with Commissioners Robby Robinson, Harvey Wolden and Robert Hart present.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT - Dave Hough, Director.

1. Signatures - Amendments to Consultant Agreements:
 - A. David Nemens & Assoc.
 - B. Geomatics International, Inc.

Dave Hough, Planning Department Director, stated that these two amendments to consultant agreements are being presented to the Board for signature. Gary Christensen, Planning Department Staff, reviewed Addendum No. 1 to the contract with David Nemens & Associates, which addendum is asking for a time extension and additional monies to complete the project. Mr. Christensen advised the Board that based on the number of responses to the draft EIS and the vast amount of public interest therein, it has been determined that additional work is needed from the contractor to generate additional maps and information to satisfy the public inquiries. Mr. Christensen reiterated the importance of the purpose of the EIS which is to provide information to the public and assist the decisionmakers in making wise decisions. This contract addendum is not a deviation from the July 1 deadline.

Commissioner Hart expressed his opinion that it is difficult to believe that the Planning Department was blindsided on the number of people who would respond to the EIS. Mr. Hough stated that perhaps the

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Planning Department has been a little naive in estimating the amount of effort required to respond to the public response.

Kraig Olason, Assistant Planning Director, stated that the budget originally was known to be inadequate, but that was what the Department had to work with. The Planning Department's best assessment was that if everything worked out right, then the work could have been done for the original contract amount, but the amount of public comment was overwhelming and beyond the scope of the original contract.

Commissioner Robinson stated that the need for a valid EIS is very important, and moved to approve Addendum No. 1 to the David Nemens & Associates contract. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. (Contract #01799)

Jim Cahill, Planning Department Staff, advised the Board that additional maps will be required for the draft EIS and will be produced by Geomatics. It was confirmed by the Board that the maps created will become a part of the County's Mapping Department. Mr. Hough advised that Jim Cahill has worked closely with Geoff Almvig in the Mapping Department. Commissioner Hart moved to approve this contract amendment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and was unanimously approved. (Contract #01752)

2. Discussion - Comprehensive Plan Adoption Schedule.

Mr. Christensen reviewed with the Board a Comprehensive Plan Element Adoption Schedule. The revised schedule has incorporated an opportunity for the general public to review Staff reports and provide comments before such reports go to the Planning Commission for review. The decision on the land use element will be made by the Planning Commission on June 13. Staff indicated their willingness to work every evening with the Planning Commission until done. Mr. Christensen advised the Board that June 20 will be the final catch-all public hearing for public review of the proposed recommendations.

Commissioner Hart asked about interim controls between May 24 and the middle of June concerning land use. Mr. Hough stated that the interim controls will be continued until the plan is adopted by the Board. Consequently, interim controls will be extended for the 6 or 7 days necessary.

Discussion ensued on the various specifics of the land use element, interim controls, final environmental impact statement, rural village boundaries, criteria of CAC for development of rural villages, flood problems and water/sewer limitations.

Mr. Christensen stated that there will be approximately 10 rural villages designated throughout the County. Mr. Christensen summarized the schedule timing and advised that the public will be informed of the revised schedule for public hearings and public meeting sessions.

3. Approval and Signatures - Procedural Amendments to Skagit County Code Chapter 14.24.170(1)(c) Environmental Policy Ordinance.

Mr. Hough stated that in a review of the environmental policy ordinance with John Moffat, specifically relating to code language that talks about the appeal of the final EIS, Staff felt there was some confusion and required some clarification. Current County Code states:

"A FEIS: Appeal of the FEIS and substantive determination the action must be made no later than fifteen (15) days after the issuance date of the FEIS."

The revised language would read as follows:

"A FEIS: Appeal of the FEIS and substantive determination on the action must be made no later than fifteen (15) days after the issuance date of the substantive determination."

Mr. Hough advised that this is a procedural amendment only and does not require a public hearing as this is merely a change in process, not a change in requirements. Mr. Hough advised that a Resolution will be submitted to the Board for signature on the *Consent Agenda next week*.

4. Code Enforcement Report.

The Code Enforcement Report was reviewed.

5. Miscellaneous.

- A. Mr. Hough advised that the Housing Summit will be held on Thursday, April 28, and Commissioners Wolden and Hart indicated they would be in attendance.
- B. Jim Cahill, Planning Department Staff, advised that the Transportation Advisory Committee finished their recommendation last evening. Commissioner Robinson ascertained from Staff that a non-motorized element was included in this recommendation. Mr. Cahill advised that the committee adopted the policies developed by the consultant with very few changes.

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK, APRIL 24-30, 1994.

Chairman Wolden read the Proclamation proclaiming National Crime Victims' Rights Week during April 24-30, 1994. Dave Needy, Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney, and Gretchen Padway presented the proclamation to the Board. *The Board signed the Proclamation as presented.*

SIGNATURE - INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT - ARSON TASK FORCE.

George Smith of the Sheriff's Office presented to the Board an Interlocal Agreement for creation of an Arson Task Force to offer fire investigative mutual aid within the fire districts of Skagit County. The amendment was drawn up by the Prosecutor's Office and lists the basic agencies involved and the municipalities of Anacortes, Burlington, Concrete, LaConner, Mount Vernon, and Sedro Woolley. Commissioner Robinson asked about the inclusion of Lyman and Hamilton, and it was explained that this agreement mirrors the current mutual aid agreement with the fire districts and since the Sheriff's Office handles protection for those two areas, they are not included. Commissioner Robinson moved to approve the amendment to the interlocal agreement creating the Arson Task Force. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. (Contract #02020)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - E911 CONTRACT.

Tom Sheahan, Emergency Management Department, introduced to the Board Jim Carefoot from Adcomm, the consultant for the State E911 contract. Mr. Carefoot reviewed the E911 Planning Worksheet which contained preliminary proposed plan costs.

Particulars of the Plan costs were reviewed.

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The system will require initial non-recurring costs of \$1,300,500 with a monthly recurring cost of \$31,450. The current excise tax raises \$22,900 per month, so there is a potential shortfall of \$8,550. Commissioner Hart asked where the \$8,550 balance will come from. Mr. Carefoot advised that users would have to be assessed. Mr. Carefoot further advised that cellular phones will be incurring a 25 cent fee toward this program in the near future, which should raise approximately \$7,000 monthly.

Two proposed letters to the State were reviewed by those members of the Emergency Management Council present and the Board.

The Board expressed concern over this State-mandated program, and the responsibility for paying the costs involved.

Mr. Carefoot stated that this is going to cost the County approximately an additional \$100,000 per year.

Ray Reep, Mayor of Mount Vernon, stated that the County will have to advise the State that the County cannot afford what the State has mandated.

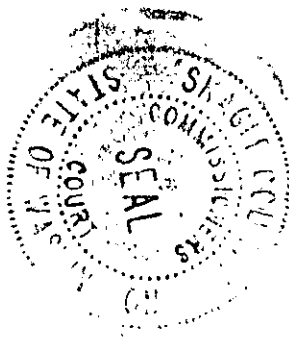
Discussion ensued on the content of the proposed letter to the State. The Board concurred with the general consensus of those present to submit the letter including the non-recurring and recurring costs.

Commissioner Hart moved for adoption of the letter with the inclusion of the non-recurring and recurring costs. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Harvey Wolden

Harvey Wolden, Chairman

Robby Robinson

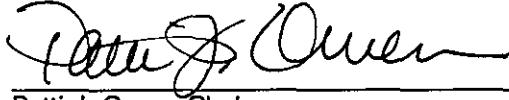
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ATTEST:



Patti J. Owen, Clerk
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