

East Bellevue Community Council
Summary Minutes of Special Meeting

April 16, 2013
6:30 p.m.

Lake Hills Boys & Girls Club
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Chair Kasner, Councilmembers Capron and Seal.

ABSENT: Councilmembers Gooding and Hughes

STAFF: Antoinette Pratt, Development Services Department
Carl Wilson,

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Kasner presiding.

2. **ROLL CALL**

The Clerk called the roll and all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Mr. Gooding and Mr. Hughes. Chair Kasner led the flag salute.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Seal moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Capron seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 3-0.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

- (a) Conditional Use Application for Sammamish High School demolition and new three-story replacement high school facility.

Chair Kasner opened the public hearing.

Antoinette Pratt, Senior Land Use Planner provided the staff overview. She stated that City Council approved the Bellevue School District's conditional use application on February 19, 2013 and that the matter is now before the Community Council for final consideration. She reported that the project was very low key with only a couple of email received.

John Hong, Integrus Achitecture, stated the proposed project is a three story building to replace the existing one story Sammamish High School. He stated the three story facility will provide a more secure campus for students and teachers. He reviewed the site plan and provided a big picture scope of work. A large student open space has been proposed south of the main building's entry for student gatherings. Parking will be moved from the north and relocated to the south and west portions of the site. Student parking will primarily occur in the south parking lot while teacher and visitor parking will be in the west lot. An additional pick up and drop off area will be located off of Main Street and east of the new facility to reduce vehicle trips to 140th Avenue SE.

In response to Mr. Kasner, Mr. Hong showed picture depictions of ingress/egress to the site. He stated there are 499 parking stalls in total.

Responding to Mr. Kasner, Ms. Pratt explained that if student population should exceeded 1,800, the girls' softball field could go away to accommodate any needed additional parking area.

Responding to Mr. Capron, Ms. Pratt stated current enrollment is just over 1,000. Student population reached 1,862 when the school first opened in 1959. She stated the Land Use Code only counts student population the opening year, fluctuations thereafter are not captured.

Chair Kasner stated his concern with the potential elimination of the girls' softball field. Ms. Pratt stated the site is very constrained.

Jack McCloud, Bellevue School District Director of Facilities, stated the District has seen growth primarily at the elementary schools. He stated prior to taking an athletic field they would look at other mode opportunities to reduce the need for additional parking.

In response to Mr. Kasner, Mr. McCloud stated, at the end of this project, there will be four area high schools with expanded capacity from their current base.

Chair Kasner stated his reservations related to the ingress/egress. He questioned the current digging at the site. Mr. McCloud stated the digging was connected to site preparation for the installation of the eight portables to house the administrative/support staff. The new gym will be the last part of the project.

Ms. Pratt reported the only public input received was related to traffic patterns. She introduced Carl Wilson, Sr. Development Review Engineer, from the Transportation Department.

Jim O'Malley, Capital Construction Management, identified himself, stating he will be managing the project for the School District.

Nancy Larsen also with the School District introduced herself.

Tom Denton stated he is the Principle at Sammamish High School.

Seeing no one further wishing to speak, Chair Kasner closed the public hearing.

5. **RESOLUTIONS:**

(a) Resolution 528 adopting City Council Ordinance 6100

Councilmember Capron moved approval of Resolution 528 approving City Council Ordinance No. 6100 adopting the conditional use permit application of Bellevue School District 405 to demolish the present one-story Sammamish High School and to build a new three-story high school facility on the same site at 100 140th Avenue SE. Councilmember Seal seconded the motion which carried by a vote of 3-0.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Seal moved to adjourn. Mr. Capron seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 3-0.

At 6:57 p.m., Chair Kasner declared the meeting adjourned.



Michelle Murphy, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

