



ISLAND CENTER SUBAREA PLANNING
STEERING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2018
6:30-8:30 PM
CONGREGATION KOL SHALOM
9010 MILLER ROAD NE
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

AGENDA

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| 6:30 PM | Call to Order, Agenda Review, Conflict Disclosure |
| 6:40 PM | Review and Approve Minutes
November 7, 2018 |
| 6:45 PM | Discussion: Setting Goals |
| 8:20 PM | Discuss Agenda & Dates for Upcoming Regular Meetings: Dec. 19 & Jan. 2 |
| 8:25 PM | Public Comment |
| 8:30 PM | Adjourn |

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Call to Order (Attendance, Agenda, Ethics)
Review & Approve Minutes – October 3, 2018
Review Existing Conditions Material
Public Comment
Adjourn

Call to Order (Attendance, Agenda, Ethics)

Chair Maradel Gale called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. Steering Committee Members in attendance were Scott Anderson, Michael Loverich, Sam Marshall, Micah Strom and John Decker. Asaph Gossler, Donna Harui and Mark Tiernan were absent and excused. Jane Rein (Design Review Board), Sarah Blossom (City Council) and City Consultant John Owens (Makers Architecture and Urban Design) were present. City Staff present were Planning Director Gary Christensen, Engineering Manager Mike Michael, Long Range Senior Planner Jennifer Sutton and Administrative Specialist Jane Rasely who monitored recording and prepared minutes.

New members Sam Marshall and John Decker introduced themselves. The agenda was reviewed. There were not any changes in status. Micah Strom disclosed that his company was in the process of purchasing the land their business was on.

Review & Approve Minutes – October 3, 2018

Motion: Move to accept minutes as distributed.

Strom/Anderson: Passed unanimously

WATER PRESENTATION

Engineering Manager Mike Michael provided a presentation on water (see attached).

ISLAND CENTER SUBAREA PLAN DRAFT EXISTING CONDITIONS SUMMARY

City Consultant John Owens presented the summary report. Steering Committee members offered up comments and changes they would like.

Future meeting scheduled for November 20, 2018. Agenda to include a continued discussion of Draft Existing Conditions Summary and Setting Goals.

Public Comment

None.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

ISLAND CENTER SUBAREA PLAN GOALS NOTE: The planning goals have been adapted from the Committee’s VISION except those in *red italics* are suggested based on public input.

TOPIC AREA	EXISTING CONDITIONS ISSUE	PLANNING GOAL	STRATEGY/ACTION
PLACE/IDENTITY	1. Island Center does not have a central destination or focal point. 2. People value Island Center’s “rural” ambience.	1. Enhance the sense of community at Island Center and make it a place where people want to meet and spend time. 2. Recognize and encourage continued agricultural and horticultural uses. 3. <i>Link and celebrate the parks in and near Island Center</i> 4. <i>Ensure that new development reinforces Island Center’s physical character and social connections</i>	
BUSINESS/ECONOMY	1. Parking is challenging for businesses 2. Island Center residents travel to Winslow for most services	1. Recognize the importance of the existing business community and help it thrive <i>and grow</i>. 2. Encourage the creation of new, sustainable businesses that benefit the community and are appropriate in scope, size, and design.	

TOPIC AREA	EXISTING CONDCTIONS ISSUE	PLANNING GOAL	STRATEGY/ACTION
TRANSPORTATION	1. There is heavy traffic on Miller Rd and New Brooklyn Rd. 2. Miller Rd is used as a way to avoid congestion on 305 3. Pedestrians and bikes lack safe and connected routes	1. Improve mobility, traffic circulation, and traffic safety for all modes <i>by</i>: <i>a. Ensuring that new development minimizes traffic congestion, especially at Miller Road and New Brooklyn Road</i> <i>b. Adding pedestrian walkways and bicycle lanes where appropriate.</i>	
ENVIRONMENT	1. Fletcher Bay water quality impacted by stormwater sediment and wastewater septic systems 2. There is no public access point at Fletcher Bay 3. Private wells experience problems 4. Residents of the general study area favor keeping density in Winslow and not changing the atmosphere of Island Center	1. Preserve, protect, and restore natural features, <i>including salt water bodies, shorelines, stream corridors, open spaces and stands of mature trees.</i> 2. Provide better visual and public access to Fletcher Bay and the Grand Forest 3. Protect surface and groundwater, including aquifer recharge, <i>and take steps to ensure that water quality and natural shoreline conditions on Fletcher Bay are maintained, if not improved.</i> 4. Recognize and protect wildlife and fish <i>5. Ensure that development minimizes and mitigates significant impacts to natural systems so there is no net loss of ecological function.</i> <i>6. Locate and design new development so that it doesn't detract from Island Center's local design character.</i>	

May 2, 2018 Steering Committee Comments: DRAFT List of Issues
(Amendments to 2002 DRAFT Island Center Plan *Vision and Goals for Island Center*)

- Enhance the sense of community at Island Center, so that it is a place where people want to meet and spend time.
- Recognize and celebrate the history of Island Center.
- Recognize the importance of the existing business community and help it thrive. Encourage the creation of new, sustainable appropriately-scaled businesses that benefit the community and are appropriate in scope and size and tasteful in design.
- Consider some higher density housing aimed at moderate income residents, provided that the increased density is accompanied by a public benefit.
- Improve traffic circulation and traffic safety. Improve safety for vehicles entering and exiting Miller Road. Consider adding traffic-calming features and intersection improvements.
- Add sidewalks, trails and pedestrian-scaled amenities to make the area a safer, enjoyable place for pedestrians, equestrians, cyclists, public transit and alternative modes.
- Improve parking and enhance accessibility and access for businesses in Island Center, the Grand Forest and Island Center Hall.
- Preserve, protect, and restore natural features—forests, vegetation, streams and the bay.
- Protect surface and ground water, including aquifer recharge.
- Recognize and protect wildlife.
- Recognize and encourage continued agricultural and horticultural uses.
- Provide better visual and public access to Fletcher Bay and the Grand Forest.
- The environment is well protected with enhanced storm water runoff measures and improved septic systems. The impact of the area has not affected our natural resources and it has continued to be an important concern in this area.
- Demand creative and resourceful solutions that embrace the land and that are oriented to those living/working in the neighborhood.
- Provide a community gathering place with a covered area, picnic tables, playground, basketball court & open space with plenty of parking for the area.
- To maintain the cool, wooded atmosphere enjoyed by the residents of Island Center for over one hundred years, development is restricted to current zoning allowances; undeveloped parcel owners may purchase development rights from owners in the immediate Island Center area in order to increase density, however.

**DRAFT Vision Statement: Island Center Subarea Planning
May 2, 2018 Steering Committee Meeting**

Island Center is an area rich in natural resources that we strive to maintain, enhance and restore. It provides residents and others with an abundance of diverse outdoor activities to enjoy and a small variety of parks, open space and other places to gather as a community. Its ability to provide residents with a sense of community has served its residents well. Proximity to the Grand Forest is a special feature of Island Center and visitors to the Grand Forest often explore the Island Center business community as well.

A network of local trails and paths gives its residents and others a safe way to move about without fear of vehicle traffic. Traffic calming measures and improved intersections make roads in Island Center safer and provides pedestrians, cyclists and those using alternative modes of transportation a safe option.

Local commerce provides the area with a small diverse option of appropriately scaled businesses that serve the community well and blend into the area.

Diverse new housing has been incremental in-fill through the years. Limited zoning changes provide better use of the natural topography and promote safety while keeping the original feel of the small tight knit community of Island Center now and for years to come.

Business and residential developments and zoning preserve, enhance and strive to improve and restore the existing beauty of the land and water: Issei and Springbrook Creeks and Fletcher Bay.