



## TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE

### PLANNING COMMISSION

#### MINUTES

April 16, 2015  
Jochums

**Present:** Chairperson Jeff Jochums, Commissioners Paula Dix, Jeff Kendall

**Excused:** Commissioners Bennet Yen, Jan Johnston

**Staff:** Planner Mona Green, Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp

Chairperson Jochums called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

**Minutes:** Chairperson Jochums moved to approve the March 19, 2015 minutes as written. Commissioner Kendall seconded. Vote: 3 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** Deputy Clerk Kulp reported while attending the April Council meeting, the Council began discussions on a Town Tree Policy, and discussed hosting a community block watch-type meeting with King County Sheriff's office. She noted also that WABA reported to the Council they are discussing off-season parking for members at the beach parking lots, but are focusing on developing regulations for event-based parking.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business to address at this time.

#### **NEW BUSINESS: ROW Parking**

The Commission reviewed the previous redlined copy of the Parking Code again. Kendall expressed that parking on the ROW should be maintained as it is but increasing parking on the ROW should be discouraged. After some discussion, the Commission agreed to summarize and confirm their recommendations to the Council as follows:

- Tighten parking restrictions, and define "temporary" with this revised Parking Code by accepting this final, updated redlined copy and recommend to the Council it be adopted as the new Parking Code.
- Enforce existing codes by allowing and encouraging the Town Marshall to ticket and tow when needed, and delegating as required.
- Continue to encourage WABA to develop their own parking regulations of their parking lots as a possible alternative parking solution off-season.
- If any future parking on ROW is developed, encourage consideration of CREA's suggested guidelines and COB Fire Marshal concerns for safety.

Chairperson Jochums moved to forward these recommendations to the Council for action. Commissioner Dix seconded. Vote: 3 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

Planner Green agreed to clean up the redlined copy as final and updated, for the Council with these recommendations. Planner Green also suggested mailing the New Parking Code to all villagers advising of changes and enforcement of violations. Deputy

Clerk Kulp agreed to pass on the City of Bellevue Fire Marshal's concerns to the Council with these recommendations.

**NEW BUSINESS: Historic Preservation**

Deputy Clerk Kulp distributed an article about *How Historical Designations Affect Property Values* as shared recently by DAHP. The commissioners agreed they must identify historic preservation intentions first, in order to determine goals needed before identifying any appropriate voluntary incentives for goal achievement. However, in aiming to first identify the intention or preferred end-result of reviewing historic preservation in Beaux Arts proved challenging and the commissioners found them revisiting March's discussions at length.

During discussion, Commissioner Dix emphasized the importance of preservation and continued support of well-designed, unique, older homes for the community's character. Deputy Clerk Kulp noted the variety of architectural styles spanning a century contributes to the village's uniqueness. Chairperson Jochums expressed the importance of maintaining the property owner's rights, echoing the incentives to achieve any goals remain voluntary. Through deliberation, Commissioner Dix also shared her potential privacy concerns over building height along the community's shared woodlands ridge above the community beach, should any historical structures ever be lost. Planner Green suggested accomplishing a different height through re-zoning as a separate area, if that concern became a pursued goal. Finding consensus on the details to shape those intentions and goals continued to prove challenging, so brainstorming ensued. Planner Green offered the Commissioners first identify what defines Beaux Arts as unique and worth preserving, perhaps by developing a marketing brochure tailored to that uniqueness, or learning more about a design review process to discuss further. Deputy Clerk Kulp noted that Beaux Arts used to have a Design Review Board and agreed to learn and share its history as a starting point.

**Adjourn:** Commissioner Kendall moved to adjourn the meeting. Chairperson Jochums seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:52pm. Vote: 3 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be at Commissioner Yen's home on Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Angela Kulp, Deputy Town Clerk