



# City Council Agenda Bill

# 20063

Bill Number

**Subject:** A worksession to continue committee review of the Waterfront District Sub-Area Plan and related documents.

**Summary Statement:** On August 5, the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed Waterfront District Sub-Area Plan, development regulations, design standards, planned action ordinance, development agreement and interlocal agreement for facilities. Council's Downtown/Waterfront Committee held worksessions on August 12, September 9 and September 16.

Issues expected to be discussed at the September 23 worksession include, but are not limited to, the Cornwall Beach, Marine Trades and Downtown/Waterfront planning areas and habitat restoration.

**Previous Council Action:** Public hearing on August 5. DT/WF Committee worksessions 8/12, 9/9 and 9/16.

**Fiscal Impact:** The City has invested over nineteen million dollars for planning, site cleanups, property acquisitions and design and construction of capital facilities. Additional financial commitments by the City through 2037 are proposed in the Interlocal Agreement for Facilities.

**Funding Source:** Pending Council discussion and action (options: LIFT, Street, REET, PIF, TBD and grants).

**Attachments:** Written comment received by Council since 09-11-13

Meeting Activity	Meeting Date	Staff Recommendation	Presented By	Time
Committee Briefing Council Direction Requested	23-Sep-2013	Provide Direction to Staff	Various staff	60 min

**Council Committee:**  
**Waterfront/Downtown Development**  
Terry Bornemann, Chair  
Cathy Lehman; Jack Weiss

**Committee Actions:**

**Agenda Bill Contact:**  
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Reviewed By	Initials	Date
Jeff Thomas, PCD Director	<i>JT</i>	9-17-2013
Tara Sundin, WD Project Mgr	<i>TS</i>	9-17-13
Legal	<i>AMZ</i>	9/17/13
Mayor	<i>KL</i>	9-17-13

**Council Action:**

**Walker, J Lynne L.**

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**From:** akira <ak.land.ex@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2013 11:14 PM  
**To:** CC - Shared Department  
**Subject:** Waterfront plan

I'm not in town to go to the meetings, but I would like to register my comment on the development plan. It's simple, bring back the seaplane base and add a downtown waterfront heliport. Seattle, Victoria, Nanaimo and most of the islands have seaplane docks and Portland, and Vancouver have heliports. The easier we make access for business, the more business there will be. It's a totally different demographic than the Canadian tourist that are flooding the airport. I wouldn't expect excessive use of the heliport, but it would represent an attractive option for low hassle visitation by a preferred demographic be it the business executive or the student and instructor up from Seattle or Portland. I'm sure I won't have much support in this vision, but I thought I would share it anyway.

Thank you,

Alex Shapiro

**Walker, J Lynne L.**

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**From:** Andrew Reding <aareding@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 16, 2013 2:11 PM  
**To:** CC - Shared Department  
**Subject:** Comments on the Waterfront Sub-Area Plan

Council Members

Honorable City Councilmember,

Thank you for taking the time to review the Waterfront Sub-Area plan and accepting public comments. I believe that redeveloping the waterfront is a once-in-a-generation opportunity and we have a responsibility to plan it well.

I would like you to consider the following during your deliberations on these very important plans:

- 1) Please consider completing an adequate study of habitat at the Waterfront. As you are probably aware, the log pond is a haul-out beach for harbor seals and while studies are scarce, we know other species are present on the site as well.
- 2) I also ask you to consider studying other alternatives for the ASB. I am concerned that the only use studied for the ASB is a marina and it could have other uses. There needs to be a complete study of the potential uses for the ASB.
- 3) Finally, I'm concerned that the documents in front of the committee for review do not include a community benefits agreement (CBA). A CBA could ensure that the jobs created on the site provide a living-wage, that the development built on the site includes great pedestrian and bicycle amenities, and that the small pockets of habitat on the site are enhanced and protected.

I understand we are at the beginning of a long process. Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments.

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