

**City of Poulsbo
PLANNING COMMISSION**

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Coleman
Gordon Hanson
Bob Nordnes
Kate Nunes
Ray Stevens
James Thayer
Stephanie Wells

STAFF

Keri Weaver
Ryan Farncomb
Edie Berghoff

GUESTS

none

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA – none

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF – March 22, 2011 –

**MOTION: Thayer/Nordnes: Move to approve the minutes of March 22, 2011
4 yes, 3 abstain**

5. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS – none

6. FJORD DRIVE SLIDE REPAIR SHORELINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

Keri Weaver, Associate Planner, presented the Fjord Drive Slide Repair Shoreline Substantial Development Permit which must be reviewed by the Planning Commission and Hearing Examiner by code. Normal repair and maintenance is exempt from the shoreline permit process. This road repair project is more involved than normal repair and maintenance.

The slide incidents occurred 1 ½ years ago and are located between Matson and Sommerseth Streets. Occasionally the bluff along Fjord Drive between Front Street and 6th Avenue has small slides with the general area being considered unstable. In the area, this is the only slide which has occurred in city right-of-way and has caused closing of one lane of Fjord Drive. The project will fix one lane which is partially crumbled, but will shore up and assist the drainage which is inadequately retained runoff and therefore prevent infiltration runoff.

Exhibit E, the Geotechnical Report, investigated several options and proposed the soil nail retaining wall as the most effective option. The soil nail wall is being designed at

this time. The purpose is to restore Fjord Drive and to prevent further falling in of the bluff in the vicinity.

Discussion: 1) design is being completed with potential bid being out next month; 2) not likely other wall type will be selected; 3) project will be back to Commission for further review if other than soil nail wall is selected; 4) proposed asphalt curbing is to direct water flow away from sheet flow over bluff; 5) most water will be directed to a bioswale by the Yacht Club; 6) based on borings the recommended wall is being designed; 7) plans show a 20 year old rock wall at the base of the slope in project area B; 8) no alteration of the rock wall is planned; 9) existing road width varies but approximately 10 feet wide lanes exist; 10) generally right-of-way is at back of sidewalk and extends out over bank in some places; 11) fish window impact is not identified by biologist; 12) information regarding this project has been sent to the Departments of Natural Resources and Fish & Wildlife, and Suquamish Tribe none of which have commented on fish windows; 13) the cultural resources review is more extensive than this project and includes other areas based on potential stimulus monies for other projects in planning stage; 14) potential for bulb-outs along roadways causing the unintended conflict with bicyclists and potential for revisions of other projects in planning stage; 15) endangered species listing reviewed by consultant; 16) no work is planned at toe of slope; 17) both consulting engineer firms indicate the soil nail wall is appropriate for use in materials found in bluff; 18) spoils are addressed in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan; 19) federally funded projects do not allow for construction maintenance bond; 20) monitoring for movement is a concern that the city is currently working on a plan for; 21) existing storm water catch basin and outfall pipe at the north end of project were added because the catch basin has failed and needs to be replaced; and 22) it is important that all on site water be handled to prevent the need to revisit this project area.

Motion: Nordnes/Thayer Move to hereby recommend approval to the city Hearing Examiner for the Fjord Drive Slide Repair Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SSDP), Planning File 02-02-11-1, subject to the Conditions of Approval and SEPA Mitigations, for the site located along Fjord Drive NE between NE Sommerseth Street and 6th Avenue NE, as described in the staff report. 7 for

7. **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS** – none

8. **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioners noted memorandum from Planning Director Berezowsky regarding citizen comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Ray Stevens

Chair, Poulsbo Planning Commission