

**WASHINGTON STATE BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD
FOR KING COUNTY**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2007

King County DDES Offices
Renton, Washington

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charles Booth convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. As a first order of business Mr. Booth thanked the Boundary Review Board for the opportunity to serve as Chair. He passed the gavel to Michael Marchand who will chair the Board in 2007.

Board members expressed appreciation to Mr. Booth for his service as Chair of the organization.

II ROLL CALL

Evangeline Anderson	Charles Booth
Robert Cook	Robert George
Claudia Hirschev	Roberta Lewandowski
Roger Loschen	Michael Marchand

III MINUTES

A. REGULAR MEETING:

Chair Marchand presented the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2006 for review and action by the Board members.

Action: Charles Booth moved and Roger Loschen seconded the motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2006. The Board members voted six in favor of approval of this record. Roberta Lewandowski and Michael Marchand abstained as they did not attend the meeting.

IV ADMINISTRATION

A. CHAIR'S REPORT

General Business:

Chair Marchand and Lenora Blauman reported that the Board is currently working on several projects including: (1) an orientation program for the Boundary Review Board; (2) coordinating programs with King County Executive/Council Work Program; (3) coordinating activities with the State Association to establish Work Program at Legislature 2007; (4) pre-development review for future Notices of Intention; (5) planning for the State Association Annual Conference of 2007; (6) Year 2007 Budget monitoring; and (7) review of the Supreme Court decision in the matter of the City of Redmond NE Rose Hill II Annexation. Committee members and staff will report on these activities.

B. Request for Setting of Public Hearings

Chair Marchand and Lenora Blauman reported that the City of Auburn has presented two new Notices of Intention – City of Auburn Lea Hill Annexation (File No. 2250) and City of Auburn West Hill Annexation (File No. 2251). For each of these files, the City has invoked jurisdiction seeking a public hearing so that the community may have an opportunity to review the proposed action before an independent agency.

File No. 2249 – The Lea Hill Notice of Intention proposes the addition of 2900 acres (population estimate: 10,500) to the City of Auburn via a petition/election method annexation. Mrs. Blauman proposes to conduct public hearings on March 6 and March 7, 2007 in order to address the City of Auburn's intent to bring this matter to election in August of 2007.

File No. 2250 – The West Hill Notice of Intention proposes the addition of 1250 acres (population estimate: 4500 persons) to the City of Auburn via a petition/election method annexation. Mrs. Blauman proposes to conduct public hearings on March 20 and March 21, 2007 in order to address the City of Auburn's intent to bring this matter to election in August of 2007.

C. Report from Special Assistant Attorney General

Special Assistant Attorney General Robert Kaufman reported that the Supreme Court continues to consider our agency's request for reconsideration of the opinion in the matter of the City of Redmond NE Rose Hill Annexation (File No. 2186).

D. Committee Reports

Committee Assignments: Chair Marchand provided temporary Committee assignments for 2007. Members are encouraged to notify Marchand or Mrs. Blauman to confirm their interests or to request changes in committee assignments.

Budget Committee: Lenora Blauman reported that for Year 2006, the Board was able to essentially meet all expenditures within the allocated budget of \$285,000.

Steering Committee: Michael Marchand, Committee Chair, reported that the Steering Committee endeavored to meet to consider changes to the proposal for Rules of Operations and Procedures relating to Board member activities. Due to lack of a quorum, the Committee meeting must be rescheduled to January 2007.

The Committee will consider options for standards for permitting Boundary Review Board members to speak to communities concerning files which have come before the Board. The Committee will provide the proposed plan for revisions to the Rules to all members of the Board. These materials will be provided in advance of February 9, 2007 when the next public hearing on this matter is scheduled to take place.

E. Executive Secretary's Report

Appointment of Boundary Review Board Members: Mrs. Blauman stated that she is pleased to report that the Cities of King County have appointed Charles Booth and Claudia Hirschev to serve new four year terms on the Boundary Review Board.

Blauman is continuing to work with the King County Executive to select a representative to serve on the Board beginning in February 2007.

Mrs. Blauman reported that all appointments should be accomplished by January 31, 2007.

Report from the State Legislature: Michael Shaw, legislative consultant for the State Association of Boundary Review Boards, reports that the Legislature has completed committee appointments for the 2007 Legislature. Darlene Fairley (D-Shoreline) will chair the Senate Government Operations Committee. Members are: Sen. Swecker (Thurston & Lewis); and Sen. Kline (King); Sen. Benton, and Sen. Roach,

It is likely that Geoff Simpson will continue as Chair of the House Local Government Committee. Members are Rep. Brian Sullivan (Snohomish); Rep Ross (Yakima); Rep. Oemig (King); Rep. Curtis (Cowlitz & Clark); Rep. Eddy (King), and Rep. Takko.

The State Association will be visiting Olympia next week to meet with these legislators.

Shaw is also setting meetings with Dave Williams (Association of Washington Cities) and Eric Johnson of the Washington State Association of Counties.

Mr. Shaw will continue to provide reports to the Boundary Review Board.

King County has established a Legislative Agenda for work with the State of Washington and the Federal Congress. At present the agendas do not include matters relating to the role or responsibilities of the Boundary Review Board.

The American Planning Association (Washington Chapter) (WAPA) has begun meeting to consider a Work Program for Legislature 2007. WAPA has reported an interest in encouraging bills which support the annexation/incorporation of urban lands into local jurisdictions and the streamlining of the annexation process. WAPA has not indicated a plan to author specific bills. Susan Winchell and Lenora Blauman serve on the APA Legislative Committee in order to learn about – and take positions as established by our State Association – with respect to bills which directly or indirectly affect annexations and incorporations.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

General correspondence was reviewed briefly. No questions or issues were raised with respect to the substance of the general correspondence.

V NEW BUSINESS

A. NEW FILES

File No. 2246: Southwest Suburban Sewer District – Cormodes/Roberts Olympic View Area Annexation

Mrs. Blauman reported that the Southwest Suburban Sewer District (SSWD) proposes to annex approximately 71 acres of land (200 parcels) within the corporate limits of the City of Burien. The Cormodes/Roberts Olympic View Area Annexation is being proposed by the Southwest Suburban Sewer District at this time in order to facilitate the provision of coordinated sewer services to currently developed properties and to new development.

This official transfer of the Cormodes/Roberts Olympic View Area to SSWD (as prescribed by RCW 57.24) will facilitate efficient service provision and permit citizens to participate in service planning in the City of Burien.

Board members requested no substantive new information with respect to File No. 2246.

B. PENDING FILES

Auburn	Bellevue	Bothell (10 files)
Covington Water District	Federal Way (3 files)	Issaquah
North Bend	Kirkland	Redmond
Renton (12 files)	Ronald Sewer District	Sammamish
Soos Creek District	SW Suburban Sewer District	Tukwila
Woodinville		

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: Charles Booth moved and Robert Cook seconded a motion to adjourn the Boundary Review Board Regular Meeting. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.