

**City of Lynnwood  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
PROJECT HIGHWAY 99 PUBLIC MEETING  
April 21, 2009**

<b>Commissioners Present:</b>	<b>Staff Present:</b>
Jeff Davies	David Osaki, Deputy Director
Bob Larsen	Kevin Garrett, Planning Manager
Maria Ambalada	David Kleitsch, Economic Dev. Director
Van Aubuchon	Mary Monroe, Tourism Manager
Richard Wright, Chair	Marybeth O'Leary, Fire Dept. Public Education Officer
	Gloria Rivera, Senior Planner
	Lauren Balisky, Asst. Planner
	<b>Other:</b>
<b>Commissioners Absent:</b>	Councilmember Ted Hikel
Michael Wojack	John Owen, MAKERS
Chad Braithwaite	Dara O'Bryne, MAKERS
	Kate Tourtellot, Community Transit

The purpose of this special meeting was to: A) follow-up to the initial public comments addressing concerns and a vision for the Highway 99 corridor received from the first public meeting; and B) assist the consultant in narrowing down components to for an alternative scenario at a later date. The Planning Commission is serving as the advisory committee for this meeting. The meeting included staff and consultant (MAKERS) presentations about the project and existing conditions in the corridor and small-group brainstorming sessions on the corridor with the public.

1. Introduction of the Highway 99 Project

Senior Planner Rivera welcomed those in attendance, introduced the City Council and Planning Commission members who were present as well as the City of Lynnwood Senior staff. The consultant team from MAKERS was then introduced.

2. Highway 99 Presentation

Dara O'Bryne of MAKERS discussed the purpose of the Highway 99 Project and how it relates to the Economic Revitalization strategies and City Comprehensive Plan.

With a mapped graphic of Highway 99, she presented a summary of the public input received at the March 3, 2009 meeting as it related to 1) transportation and pedestrian safety; 2) land use and development; and 3) parks, community facilities, and public safety. John Owens (also with MAKERS) and Dara O'Bryne, using mapped graphics of segments of the Corridor then presented consultant recommendation of alternatives for each segment as they related to residential/neighborhood focus in the Corridor and commercial/employment focus. The consultant also presented feedback that would apply for any alternative for the segments.

John Owen provided instruction for a group exercise based on the presentation. In small groups, the attendees made choices of the residential/neighborhood focus and commercial/employment focus in each segment of the Corridor. The group also chose a photograph of what best depicted their vision of what type of activity should occur in each segment. After the small group discussion, a group representative presented their resultants to the larger audience.

4. Community Transit Presentation

Kate Tourtellot of Community Transit presented information on the Bus Rapid Transit project along the Highway 99 Corridor and on connecting transit services.

5. Group Exercise

John Owen discussed the format for the group exercise regarding the Highway 99 Corridor to include existing conditions and visioning of the corridor. The public broke into three groups with facilitators. The groups later presented key components of their individual discussions and exercises.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Special Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 p.m.

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Richard Wright, Chair