

**GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**

**PRESENT:** Nancy McDonald, Christine Bennet, Tiny Koopman, Bill & Sharon, Cindy Gregory, Chuck Motson.

**Introduction of Attendees**

**Introduction of Chrys Bertolotto from University of Washington**

Chrys brought to us much needed information regarding preservation of the islands bluffs including the following:

1. Planting of vegetation on banks.
  2. Pruning Appropriately.
  3. Re-establishing Alders on the bluff.
  4. Planting of Conifers such as Doug Firs.
  5. Mixing of Conifers and Deciduous trees such as Maples and Alders.
- Contact Linda Lyshall with Puget Sound Partners for her specific recommendations on growth management for preservation of Puget Sound bluffs. She has examples such as what is currently being done in Anacortes.
  - Contact Stef Frenzl with Snohomish County who is a Marine Resource Steward for information on bluff inspections, wildlife protection and bluff management.
  - Hire a Coastal Geologist to come to the island and inspect our bluffs and make recommendations for maintaining and repairing our bluffs.

**Discussion of the Draft of the Development Plan:** Chuck Motson did a lot of work in preparation of the draft. Cindy and Chuck met in July and Chuck completed the draft. The draft was sent to all committee members for review. The draft is very good, needs some tweaking and needs more specifics added as to the information from the experts like the University of Washington and the information to be gathered from the Puget Sound Partners. A number of the committee members brought and emailed their suggestions to the draft.

Further questions regarding enforcement were discussed and need continued discussion. Retrofitting of existing homes and suggestions for plantings of existing homes were discussed. Grandfathering was discussed.

**Goals set for completion of the Growth and Development Plan:**

- Cindy is to continue to gather data from the County and from Puget Sound Partners.
- All committee members are to review the draft and add their comments.
- Final completion and approval of the plan is scheduled for year-end.
- The next meeting will be set once the information is received.