

**Kingston Citizens Advisory Council**  
**Kingston Sub-Area Plan Implementation/Action Item Project**  
**June 4, 2008 Final Community Meeting Report**

The following matrices set forth the results of the community meeting held June 4, 2008, hosted by the Kingston Citizens Advisory Council. It was the culmination of a six month effort that included three public workgroup sessions and the involvement of about 75 people. These workgroups invited KCAC and community members to join in a brainstorming exercise with goal of generating ideas on how best to implement the various goals, policies and projects outlined in the Kingston Sub-Area Plan. The results included ideas and actions the community members felt are important to Kingston and helpful in its growth as a community.

The June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting had the following structure:

1. 15 minutes of introductory material and adding additional action items based on community input
2. Division of the attendees into 4 randomly selected groups seated at separate tables, each with a KCAC member as a recorder. Around 30 people participated in the final meeting with approximately 8 or 9 people per table.
3. Four 15 minute periods in which each group discussed and tried to arrive at a consensus regarding the action items in each of four areas: Big Budget Items, Small Budget Items, Regulatory Changes and Volunteer/Community/Business Efforts. We asked each group to limit itself to 2 high priority items and to have a minimum of 2 low priority items. We used these “rules” to stimulate discussion and to encourage these groups to focus on their highest priorities. In no way should these results be read to imply that the items ranked low are not important to the community.
4. A 15 minute discussion of the results. A table-by-table summary of the results is attached. Overall, the groups were successful in arriving at consensus picks for high priority items (although several groups assigned more than 2 rankings of high priority in some areas – in general this result seems to be related to a group’s feeling that several potential action items should be considered together).

Our main goal in this process was to identify and prioritize specific action items, which can be used to move forward in the implementation of the Kingston Sub-Area Plan, thereby improving the community in which live, work and play.

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To highlight our results, those items ranked as high in importance included the following:

**Big Budget Items ranked highest in importance:**

- Village Green Development (named by all 4 groups)
- Highway 104 Re-routing (named by 2 groups)
- California Ave Extension (named by 2 groups)
- Stormwater Management System
- WSF Holding Lot
- New Community Center/Senior Housing

**Small Budget Items ranked highest in importance:**

- Village Green Development (named by 3 groups)
- Work with School District on Safe to School Program (named by 2 groups)
- Complete Shoulder Work to Kingston Middle School (named by 2 groups)
- Complete Shoulder Work to Gordon Elementary (named by 2 groups)
- Roadway Planter Strip Maintenance

**Regulatory Changes ranked highest in importance:**

- Revise Parking Standards (named by 2 groups)
- Establish Process to Encourage Innovative, Eco-friendly & Green Development (named by 2 groups)
- Streamline Permit Review
- Coordinate County Code Requirements with Sub-Area Plan and Kingston Design Standards
- Enforce Kingston Design Standards
- Allow Infrastructure Improvements to be Funded by Businesses Over Time; Rather Than Up Front
- Define Clear Policy and Guidelines for Urban Restricted Zoning

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**Volunteer/Community/Business Efforts ranked highest in importance:**

- Create a Local Improvement District (LID) for sidewalk and stormwater construction (named by 2 groups)
- Whitehorse/Arborwood Community Trail Completion (named by 2 groups)
- Work with Kitsap Transit to improve coordination between ferry and bus schedules (named by 2 groups)
- Marketing campaign to attract “marina” tourists
- Marketing Kingston as a great place for “destination businesses”
- Restore degraded habitat areas
- Map quality wildlife habitat corridors in UGA and surrounding areas

In addition to the following table-by-table summary developed here, we are providing the “raw” data – the worksheets used by each group. We are also providing some worksheets filled out by individual community members.

We were very pleased by the results of this process and the constructive nature of the conversation it sparked. We extend our thanks to the many members of the Kingston community who participated in this process, both in the three brainstorming sessions and in the June 4th meeting. Please contact Denise Lietz or Gregory Platz if you have any questions about this process or the results presented here.

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**Big Ticket Items**

<u>Ranking by Table</u>				<u>Action Item</u>
M	H	M	M	Stormwater Management System
M	M	M	M	Wastewater Infrastructure
M	M	H	H	Highway 104 Rerouting
M	M	M	H	WSF Holding Lot
H	M	M	M	New Community Center/Senior Housing (site engineering and building design)
H	H	M	L	California Avenue Extension
H	H	H	H	Village Green Development (site engineering, removal of Navy housing, rough grading)
M	M	M	M	North Kitsap Heritage Park (access, parking, restrooms, trail development)
L	M	M	M	Sidewalks – Barber Cutoff Road
M	M	M	M	Sidewalks – Highway 104
M	M	M	M	North Kitsap Trails Association (String of Pearls)
M	M	M	M	Passenger-only ferry to/from Seattle
M	M	M	M	Infrastructure improvements to increase fire flow needed to support new business construction
M	M	M	M	Shoulder improvements in UGA and greater Kingston area to improve safety for pedestrians and bicycles
M	M	L	M	Install traffic light at Barber Cutoff and Hwy 104 to facilitate pedestrian crossing
L	M	L	L	Acquire non-buildable lots that front the North Beach to complete the park
M	M	M	M	Purple pipe implementation (reuse of water treated to reclaimed water standards)
M	M	M	M	Acquire sensitive wetlands parcels
H	M	M	M	South Kingston Road bridge replacement
M	M	M	M	Increase public transit service and facilities in Kingston

H = High Importance; M = Medium Importance; L = Low Importance

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**“Small Budget” Items**

<u>Ranking by Table</u>				<u>Action Item</u>
L	M	L	M	Community Bulletin Board
L	L	M	L	Regional Economic Development Current Conditions Survey and Opportunity Analysis
M	H	M	M	Roadway Planter Strip Maintenance
M	M	M	M	Installation of Arness Park Toilet
H	H	M	H	Village Green Development (planting ground cover, picnic tables/shelter, trail network, access roads)
H	M	H	M	Complete shoulder sidewalk to Kingston Middle School
H	M	H	M	Complete walkway to Gordon Elementary
L	M	M	L	County to fund Project 12.3.1 as listed in Kingston Sub-Area Plan, which involves conducting an inventory of existing businesses to identify markets not currently served or those that thrive in the Kingston community
M	M	M	M	County funded streetscape study to include pedestrian access, stormwater management and aesthetic vistas
M	L	M	M	Identify and implement traffic calming ideas for downtown Kingston
M	M	M	M	Kingston-area trail improvements (4 <sup>th</sup> Ave trail, Rosemond road end, Shorty Campbell)
H	M	M	H	Work with school district for safe-to-school sidewalk program
M	M	L	M	Acoustic improvements in current community center

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**Regulatory Changes**

Ranking by Table

Action Item

H	M	M	M	Streamline Permit Review
H	M	M	M	Coordinate County Code Requirements with Sub-Area Plan and Kingston Design Standards
M	M	H	M	Enforce Kingston Design Standards
M	H	H	M	Revise Parking Standards
L	M	M	M	Provide Incentives for Dense Development in the Urban Growth Area
L	L	L	L	Establish Cost Reimbursement Process to Accelerate Permit Processing
M	M	M	L	Code Revisions to Emphasize Inviting Streetscape
M	H	M	H	Establish Process to Encourage Innovative, Eco-Friendly and Green Development (for example, low-impact stormwater management methods)
M	M	L	M	Develop View Protection Standards
M	M	M	M	Encourage County to have “can do” attitude toward cottage industries
M	L	M	M	County to Allow Conditional Use Permits
M	M	M	M	Relax Planning Requirements for Restaurants (specifically parking and truck loading zones)
M	M	M	H	Allow Infrastructure Improvements to be Funded by Businesses Over Time; Rather Than Up Front
M	H	M	M	Define urban restricted zoning – develop clear policy and guidelines for those properties
M	M	M	M	Use water quality monitoring results to notify homeowners and Health Department of water quality concerns
M	M	M	M	Provide incentives to maintain heritage trees and other vegetation
M	M	M	M	Process Shorty Campbell trail permit

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Volunteer/Community/Business Efforts

Ranking by Table

Action Item

M	L	M	M	Establish Kingston Design Review Standards
L	L	L	M	New Slogan for Kingston
M	M	M	M	Downtown businesses/developers explore partnering with Port of Kingston or Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe to extend fiber optic network
M	M	L	L	Research and survey project to develop Kingston's own unique identity
M	H	M	M	Marketing campaign to attract "marina" tourists
L	M	M	L	Partner with Edmonds for "sister city" exchanges/events
M	M	H	M	Marketing Kingston as a great place for "destination businesses"
H	M	M	H	Create a Local Improvement District (LID) for sidewalk and stormwater construction
M	H	H	M	Work with Kitsap Transit to improve coordination between ferry and bus schedules
H	M	L	H	Whitehorse Community Trail Completion
H	M	L	H	Arborwood Community Trail Completion
M	M	M	M	General trail improvement projects
H	M	M	M	Restore degraded habitat areas
M	H	M	M	Map quality wildlife habitat corridors in UGA and surrounding areas

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