#### City of Gig Harbor Design Review Board Gig Harbor Civic Center July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

**Present**: Board Members - Chairman Darrin Filand, Jane Roth Williams, Rick Gagliano and Jim Pasin. Absent: Kae Paterson, David Fisher and John Jernejcic. Staff Present: City Administrator Rob Karlinsey, Emily Appleton, Amy Londgren and Cindy Andrews

#### Call to Order: 6:00 pm

 <u>City of Gig Harbor – Emily Appleton, 3510 Grandview St, Gig Harbor, WA 98335</u> Presentation for proposed pedestrian and street improvements along Harborview Dr from Soundview Dr to the South and Austin Street to the north, including the Austin Street / North Harborview Dr. Loop around Donkey Creek Park, improvements also proposed to Judson Street, Uddenberg Lane and Stanich Street.

Senior Engineer Emily Appleton gave a brief summary and update from the stakeholders meeting held on July 15<sup>th</sup> reviewing the options and schedule then turning the meeting over to Consultant Eric Schmidt of Cascade Design Collaborative. Mr. Schmidt discussed the budget and his presentation to City Council at the August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting. Mr. Gagliano asked if the meeting would be a public hearing. City Administrator Rob Karlinsey replied no.

Mr. Schmidt provided a power point presentation to illustrate the changes and improvements proposed. He discussed the overall project, budget, proposed meetings, utilities and community feedback. Board members discussed the relocation of utilities underground. A representative from Peninsula Light Company discussed the concerns associated with utility relocation, the need to work with property owners as well as the city. Mr. Gagliano asked if Century Tel Company had been involved with discussion about the utilities relocation. Peninsula Light Company representative responded stating a minimal amount of discussion. Board members and Mr. Schmidt discussed sidewalks, crosswalks, angled asphalt, pavers, curb cuts, bulb-outs, landscaping, benches, receptacles, fences and art work. Board members discussed their concerns with raised and lighted crosswalks and the proposed changes to the sidewalks. Mr. Schmidt discussed alternatives for the crosswalks, using bollards and widening the area, changes to the sidewalks explaining the upland (residential side) would only be replaced where damaged and the waterfront side would be completely reconstructed widened in areas as necessary. Mr. Pasin asked if landscaping would be removed for sidewalk construction. Mr. Schmidt replied yes some areas would be replaced with fencing to widen the walking corridor. Mr. Pasin expressed his concern that replacement with fencing appeared to be counterproductive as the DRB had strived to use plants rather than fencing for screening purposes. Mr. Gagliano agreed noting that to be that enough vegetation had been used the DRB would like to see a site plan. Mr. Pasin asked if this would affect any of the homeowners. Mr. Schmidt replied no possible a few business but mostly public property. Board members

and Mr. Schmidt discussed Judson Street the uniqueness, and potential changes. Mr. Schmidt continued presenting each area individually discussing the proposed changes.

- 1. Millville: Sidewalk widths, parking, traffic control options and potential reduction in driveways. Board members discussed the need for wider sidewalks and decreased onsite parking. Mr. Gagliano discussed round-a-bouts noting that they would not be pedestrian friendly. Mr. Schmidt discussed the area around Murphy's Landing. Board members suggested adding sidewalks to the upland side and continuing the bike path from the Finholm district to Stinson Ave. Mr. Schmidt agreed sidewalks would be added also suggesting a shared bike lane could be added. Board members discussed the shared bike lane. Ms. Appleton suggested looking in to funding for bike lanes and Mr. Gagliano suggested adding planting bulbs every 6 parking stalls.
- 2. Harborview / Stinson: Parking options, additional parking stalls, intersection options, sidewalk widths and landscaping of the intersection island. Board members discussed the sidewalks in front of the Eddon Boat Park, removal of the curvy sidewalk, creating a 3 way stop with a landscape island at the intersection and no curbside parking in front of Eddon Boat Park.
- **3.** Harborview North of Novak Street: Reduction in parking spaces, addition of bus stops, bulb outs, paved, colored and raised intersection. Board members discussed the changes expressing concern that this is an historic residential area and caution would be needed when making changes. Mr. Schmidt stated the importance of creating smaller walking distances between the intersections.
- **4.** Harborview and Dorotich: Placement of bulb outs on the waterfront side only, raised crosswalk approximately every 300 ft between Dorotich and Pioneer.
- 5. Harborview and Rosedale: Maintaining the parking, bulb outs, street edge clean up and possibly the addition special pavers from Rosedale to Pioneer.
- 6. Harborview and Pioneer Way: Removal of parking spaces, planters, addition of a 2 foot curb and raised sidewalk. Mr. Pasin asked if any safety measures would be installed in front of the Harbor Inn Restaurant. Mr. Schmidt replied reinforced bollards.
- 7. Harborview Drive south of Pioneer Way: Widening of the sidewalk on the south side, adding a pedestrian crosswalk before the curve at the Tides Tavern, additional landscaping in the right of way. Mr. Pasin asked if curb cuts had been planned for projects that are currently proposed. Mr. Schmidt responded yes.
- **8.** Harborview Drive and Soundview Drive: Additional pedestrian crosswalks, landscaping and parking.
- **9.** Harborview Drive to the Ferry Landing: Maintaining the angle and parallel parking, additional parking and possible paving treatments to match downtown.
- **10.** Judson Street: Perpendicular parking stalls, sidewalks, easements, reducing curb cuts and the potential for a one way street.

11. Uddenberg and Stanich: Mr. Schmidt and board members discussed parallel parking, sidewalks on the Key Bank side, landscape, possible one way street access at Uddenberg Lane. Mr. Schmidt also discussed the post office drop boxes, relocating them on to Stanich Street, installation of traffic Island, elimination of parallel parking and landscaping.

### **<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>**: No minutes to approve.

# UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Mr. Gagliano discussed the upcoming field trip stating his concern with regards to the expenses related to the trip asking if the DRB could contribute also expressing concern that the trip should include projects that had not been considered successful as well as projects that had been considered successful.

## ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION:** Move to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Gagliano / Pasin - Motion approved.