



## **Municipality of Anchorage**

### **Watershed & Natural Resources Advisory Commission**

Room 155 - City Hall  
632 West 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska

#### ***ACTION SUMMARY***

12:00 Noon  
Wednesday, October 24, 2012

#### ***Regular Meeting***

### **I. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

*Present:* Dan Bosch  
Tamás Deák  
Cherie Northon  
Captain Bob Pawlowski  
Rick Sinnott, Vice Chair

*Excused:* Dan Billman  
Brett Jokela  
Holly Kent  
David Nyman

*Staff:* Thede Tobish, Senior Planner, Community Development Department,  
Planning Division, Long-Range Planning Section

*Guests:* Phil Shepherd, Executive Director, Great Land Trust

### **II. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:06 p.m.

### **III. ACTION SUMMARY**

#### **A. Regular Meeting of August 22, 2012**

*Commissioner Sinnott* moved to approve the August 22, 2012 minutes as written. *Commissioner Northon* seconded.

**The August 22, 2012 minutes were passed as written.**

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. WNRC Case 12-03, Campbell Creek Estuary Natural Area Master Plan Phil Shepherd, Great Land Trust**

*Phil Shepherd from the Great Land Trust* outlined the planning process, findings, and recommendations from the draft Master Plan for the Campbell Creek Estuary Natural Area. This parcel was purchased by the Great Land Trust and placed in a Conservation Easement for preservation in the past year. The land has since been transferred to the Municipality and is now under Parks and Recreation Department management.

Terms of the purchase agreement required that a park master plan be developed for future management and access. This planning process included public participation and was shaped in part by the terms of the Conservation Easement. The parcel includes two ROW access points at the north side and a private driveway to the adjacent private remainder parcel. The draft master plan calls for several pedestrian pathways and scenic overlooks at the top of the bluff. There is a possibility to change the main road access, which is currently at Selkirk, to another ROW at the northeast border.

The plan includes a provision to prohibit dogs in the park, which may require an Assembly ordinance. The Commission had questions about the parking lot—code may require it be paved and it may be appropriate to build it out with an additional 10 spaces now, rather than in the future. The Commission also thought it might be more appropriate to make an alternative looping trail from overlook 3 up to overlook 1, and to consider use of a gate across the private driveway.

The Commission recommended that staff construct a draft resolution for consideration, which should include a recommendation that phasing of the trails and future access road be written into the plan. Trails 1 and 3 should probably be constructed first, followed later by trail 2. The plan should also reflect the intent and/or timing recommendation for the future move of the main access to the northeast adjacent ROW.

*[Note: Staff will circulate a draft resolution prior to the November meeting.]*

#### **VI. OLD BUSINESS/STAFF REPORT**

##### **A. Trails Plan Policy Recommendation - Tabled**

#### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Commissioner Bosch* moved to adjourn. *Commissioner Sinnott* seconded.

**The motion passed without objection.**

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.