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APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING

February 3, 2011

Convened 10:30am
Adjourned 4:00pm

Projects Reviewed

Downtown Sign Code
DPD Planning Division Update
Waterfront Planning
King Street Station Hub Planning

Commissioners Present

Mary Johnston, Chair
Brendan Connolly
Julie Bassuk
Malika Kirkling
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Incoming Commissioners Present

Tom Nelson
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Staff Present

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Jenny Hampton



February 3, 2011 **Project:** **DPD Planning Division Update**

Phase: Briefing
Last Reviewed: Nov 4, 2010; Feb 18, 2010
Presenters: Marshall Foster, DPD

Attendees: Lee Copeland, Mithun

Time: 1:00pm-2:00pm

SUMMARY

Planning Director Marshall Foster summarized the planning division's 2010 accomplishments, such as passage of the multifamily code update and the completion of three neighborhood plan updates. In 2011, the division's work will focus on transit oriented communities, the comprehensive plan update, waterfront and seawall planning and design, and a strategic plan for Seattle.

The commissioners made the following recommendations:

- Urge development of laboratory projects to occur right now on the waterfront. There are already signs of immediate need, especially in Pioneer Square. Imagine how the waterfront plan could tie into the cultural ecology of the city. Devise a strategy to address this opportunity.
- PAAC should be part of the conversation with the design/planning commission review collaboration.
- Field test some principles that were developed from urban design framework by inserting them into a studio class at the University of Washington. See what works and what doesn't. The Design Commission could review student projects.
- The planning division should provide shared admin support for Valerie.