



EASTLAKE NEWS

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GROWTH'S IMPACT ON EASTLAKE: CAN WE MANAGE IT?

**General Meeting Tuesday, May 22, 7 p.m.,
Seward/Colman School Conference Room (enter on Boylston)**

The Eastlake neighborhood is being inundated by a wave of proposals for new development, the most extensive we have seen in years. Development elsewhere in Seattle (e.g. downtown and in the University District) and throughout the Puget Sound region (e.g. at the other end of State Route 520) also affects Eastlake because of increased through traffic, use of our neighborhood as a "park and ride", increased overflights, loss of affordable housing, and so on.

What can be done to manage growth and its negative consequences for Eastlake? A panel of experts and city officials will discuss these questions. Please come and help save Eastlake.

**Eastlake Tour, Saturday, May 19, 10 a.m. to 12,
with lunch at 12:15 at NOAA, 1801 Fairview**

Eastlake is honored to be the first neighborhood to host prominent city officials and our neighboring communities, in a tour sponsored by the Lake Union District Council, a grouping of community councils and chambers of commerce. Eastlake residents, including those who are new to our neighborhood, are especially welcome. Neighborhood guides will be present at selected sites from 10 a.m. to 12 to talk about Eastlake lore. The tour will conclude with a brown-bag lunch and discussion at the NOAA base, 1801 Fairview (enter by guard gate). Printed copies of the self-guided tour are available at Lake Union Mail, 117 E. Louisa St. and the Fremont Community Service Center, 708 N. 34th. and will also be distributed at the NOAA parking lot from 9:30 to 12.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Tuesday, May 8. ECC Land Use Committee Meeting, 7 p.m. at 85 E. Roanoke

Saturday, May 19. Eastlake Tour, 10 a.m. to noon (see above story)

Tuesday, May 22. ECC General Meeting (see lead story)

Wednesday, May 23. Olmsted-Fairview Park Commission Meeting, 7 p.m., Tio's Bakery, Eastlake and Louisa

Eastlake Embarks on a Plan for the Neighborhood

The Eastlake Community Council is filing an application for city matching funds to take the first step in developing a neighborhood plan. Too often, we have had to react to events; it is time to plan ahead. City money will help us hire a planning consultant to help in the process. The first step in this planning process will be an assessment of the neighborhood's social and physical situation and needs. To provide a match for the city's money, we need many volunteers who will pledge several hours of their time to help in such things as distributing questionnaires, identifying land uses, and organizing workshops. To obtain pledge forms and information on this historic effort, contact ECC planning coordinators Kim Lokan and Margaret Roberts at 324-1158.

Petition for Traffic Circles

Traffic circles would help moderate traffic volume and speed through our neighborhood. To sign a petition or help circulate one on your street, call Lynn at 548-4317. Our deadline for submitting petitions is July 1.

After School Program Proposed

If ECC's neighborhood matching grant application to the city succeeds, Seward-Colman elementary school will have an after school program with something for neighborhood residents of all ages. The proposal has strong support from Colman-Seward elementary school principal Ed Jefferson, from the school's PTA, from other community councils, and from local businesses and agencies. Tentative plans include classes in aerobics, art, acting, languages and cultures, marine biology, and computers, as well as a day care center, a teen program, and a senior program. We need contributions of money and volunteer time. If you would like to assist in any of the listed classes (or in tutoring at the school), contact Carolyn Bonamy at 323-5810.

Block Watch Program Keeps Eastlake Safe

Law enforcement professionals consider block watches one of the most effective means of crime prevention. Participants engrave their names on valuables, exchange phone numbers, and mutually report suspicious activity. Eastlake has one of the lowest crime rates in the city, but we can do better, especially to prevent car prowls. To join an existing block watch or set up your own group, contact Addie Jones at the Police Department, 684-7555.

Eastlake Reconductored by City Light

In the next year, Seattle City Light will be rebuilding our electric lines. Smaller poles will have their insulators, crossarms, and wires replaced. The larger, higher voltage poles will also be renewed, and those in Lake Union near the Steam Plant and Roanoke Bay will be replaced by steel poles that are farther apart. Some short power outages will occur, and some trees may be threatened. Questions can be directed to Seattle City Light's Julia Greenlee, 684-3726. Serious problems can be reported to the Eastlake Community Council, 322-5463.

Volunteer Opportunities

To save our neighborhood and make it a better place, volunteers are especially needed to help on the following fundraising events: a home tour; a rummage sale; the holiday auction; dances jointly sponsored with the Colman-Seward PTA; and our summer door-to-door canvass and picnic. Volunteers are also needed for the important work of our committees on land use and transportation. (See related stories on volunteer opportunities in neighborhood planning and our new community schools program). Other interesting volunteer opportunities are with our greenbelt protection effort, legal appeals to defend the shoreline, efforts to improve police and fire protection during the Fourth of July fireworks, and preservation of old and affordable housing through the Eastlake Community Land Trust. To volunteer, call 322-5463. It's fun, and you make a difference.

Mallard Cove Comments Solicited

The White Board is up, and the city is soliciting comments. ECC also wants to hear from you. For example, should we support or oppose the developer's plan to close off the historic shoreline walking route between Roanoke and Edgar? Write to Mallard Cove Comments, 117 E. Louisa St. #1, Seattle 98102.

A Foreign Aid Program that Benefits Eastlake

The American Heritage Association is sponsoring students from France who need friendly homes for the month of August. For each student housed, ECC will receive a \$100 donation. For information, please call Jeri Nickell at 1-800-526-3064, and specify that checks be made out to the Eastlake Community Council.

Exercise Your Citizenship Rights

Are you registered to vote? If not, drop in to Lake Union Mail, 117 E. Louisa, where proprietor Jules James will be happy to sign you up. And send for the excellent brochure, They Represent You, a directory of elected officials which is available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the League of Women Voters of Seattle, 1402-18th Ave., Seattle 98122.

YES!!! I want to help take care of Eastlake. My dues are enclosed for membership in the Eastlake Community Council (1 year membership).
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