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Community
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EASTLAKE NEWS

July General Meeting: Transportation and Parking

The next general meeting of the Eastlake Community Council will be on Tuesday, July 18, starting at 7:00pm. The location will be the Seward School Library.

The focus of our meeting will be transportation and parking. A segment of the meeting will be dedicated to the neighborhood parking and traffic, and another segment on the issues relating to I 5 and SR 520.

Local Parking and Traffic

The Council has grappled with traffic issues off and on through our history. Several traffic issues have been left unresolved since our last general Council meeting of the subject a year and a half ago. At that time we reviewed the "Eastlake Area Transportation Study" by the Seattle Engineering Department, and their recommendations for certain changes. Those at the Council meeting divided into work groups and came up with their own recommendations. Others from the community voiced their comments in letters to the Council. Issues were left to sit due to lack of concensus among ourselves, such as one way streets, and then our attentions turned to other issues.

Now we want to get back to seeing what changes we want to make and what things we want to preserve. The City Engineering Department won't do anything until we get enough community support, so the ball is in our court.

Here is a list of issues our Transportation Committee has found to be of most interest thus far per community response and the Transportation Study. The Board will make recommendations which will be available prior to the meeting.

Availaability of on-street parking
One way streets
Cobblestone streets
Islands in intersections
Better enforcement of speed and parking laws

bike path
Cross walk flashing warning signs
Commuters who park in our neighborhood
Planting strips

Preserving Fairview
Widening streets
Appropriateness of "No parking any time" signs, and "Truck loading zones".

At our meeting on the 18th the board plans to make recommendations, solicit your comments, then come to a consensus as to what issues we want to focus on. We will likely want a work group to gather certain information and be involved in making changes come about. We will keep the community informed through the newsletter and as always we solicit your comments. Write the E.C.C. at 117 E. Louisa or call Janet at 328-0733 or Lynn at 323-9257.

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Calendar of Events

July 18 ECC General Meeting, 7 p.m., Seward School Library. Topic: Transportation Impacts on the Neighborhood.

August 13 ECC Annual Picnic, 4-7 p.m. Fairview Avenue near Shelby, between Allison and Hamlin

September 12 (tentative) ECC General Meeting. Topic: Cooperatives, Land Trusts, and Enlightened Development in the Battle for Eastlake

Highway Wars (Continued)

Addition of new lanes to State Route 520 in Seattle would greatly increase the traffic flowing into and through Eastlake. ECC has been working to prevent this option from being studied as a part of the SR 520 corridor study that has been proposed by the Puget Sound Council of Governments. We scored a major success on June 19th, when with only one dissenting vote (by Paul Kraabel), the City Council approved a resolution sponsored by Jeanette Williams opposing Seattle's participation if the study considers the highway's widening. Please thank Williams and the other Council members who voted our way: George Benson, Virginia Galle, Jane Noland, Norm Rice, Dolores Sibonga, Sam Smith and Jim Street. The address for all of these councilmembers is: 600 Fourth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104. Their telephone number is 684-8888.

Through attorney Peter Eglick, ECC also recently expressed concern to Secretary of Transportation Duane Berentson that the Washington Department of Transportation has no plans to do an environmental impact statement of its proposal to add a new lane of traffic—thousands of more vehicles a day—to Interstate 5 by restriping it from Olive Way northbound to SR-520. To urge that such an EIS be done, you can write Berentson at WSDOT, Transportation Building, KF-01, Olympia WA, 98504

Membership application

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

This is a NEW RENEWAL membership.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

DUES: Household (\$15)
 Sr. Citizen (\$10)
 Business (\$40)

Hamlin Street End Park

Working with residents of the immediate area, ECC has applied for a grant from the Seattle Office of Neighborhoods for a park at the west end of Hamlin Street. The city funds must be matched by neighborhood funds and volunteer help. Volunteers who would like to help build the park early next spring should call 328-0556.

Fourth of July Fireworks

Eastlake is proud to have a view of Independence Day fireworks that many visitors from throughout the region come to our neighborhood to see. However, last year's traffic and crowd traffic problems reached emergency proportions. This year ECC worked with the police, fire, and park departments to provide more police and to limit auto entry below Eastlake Avenue. Just as many, if not more, visitors were here this year, and visitors and residents alike were better able to enjoy the fireworks because traffic and crowd problems were lessened. We want to hear what your experiences were this year, and any suggestions you have for next year. For example, we want better publicity of the limits next year, and are looking into a pass system for guests. Write to: ECC Fourth of July Plan, 117 E. Louisa #1, Seattle 98102.

City Council May Improve Multifamily Zoning

A citywide coalition of community groups is working with the City Council for more reasonable zoning rules on the size of apartment and condominium buildings. The coalition's Citizens Alternative 2 would limit height and prohibit buildings longer than two lots. The Council will be discussing the issue in July and August. Please write to members of the Council to urge their support for Citizen's Alternative 2. Names of the Council Members and their addresses and phone numbers are listed in the accompanying story on Highway Wars. If you have questions, call Carol Eychaner at 324-1716.

MAIL TO: ECC MEMBERSHIP, 117 E. Louisa St. Box #1, Seattle, WA 98102

Make check or money order payable to:
Eastlake Community Council

Be a Part of the Neighborhood Survey

Inserted in this issue is a survey of community conditions and opinions. Please fill out your copy now and bring or mail to Lake Union Mail, 117 East Louisa Street, Seattle 98102; extra copies may also be obtained there.

Completed survey forms received by August 1 will be included in a preliminary tabulation that we will try to report on in the next Eastlake News.

Annual ECC Picnic Sunday August 13, 4-7 p.m. Event Spotlights Fairview P-Patch and Park Site

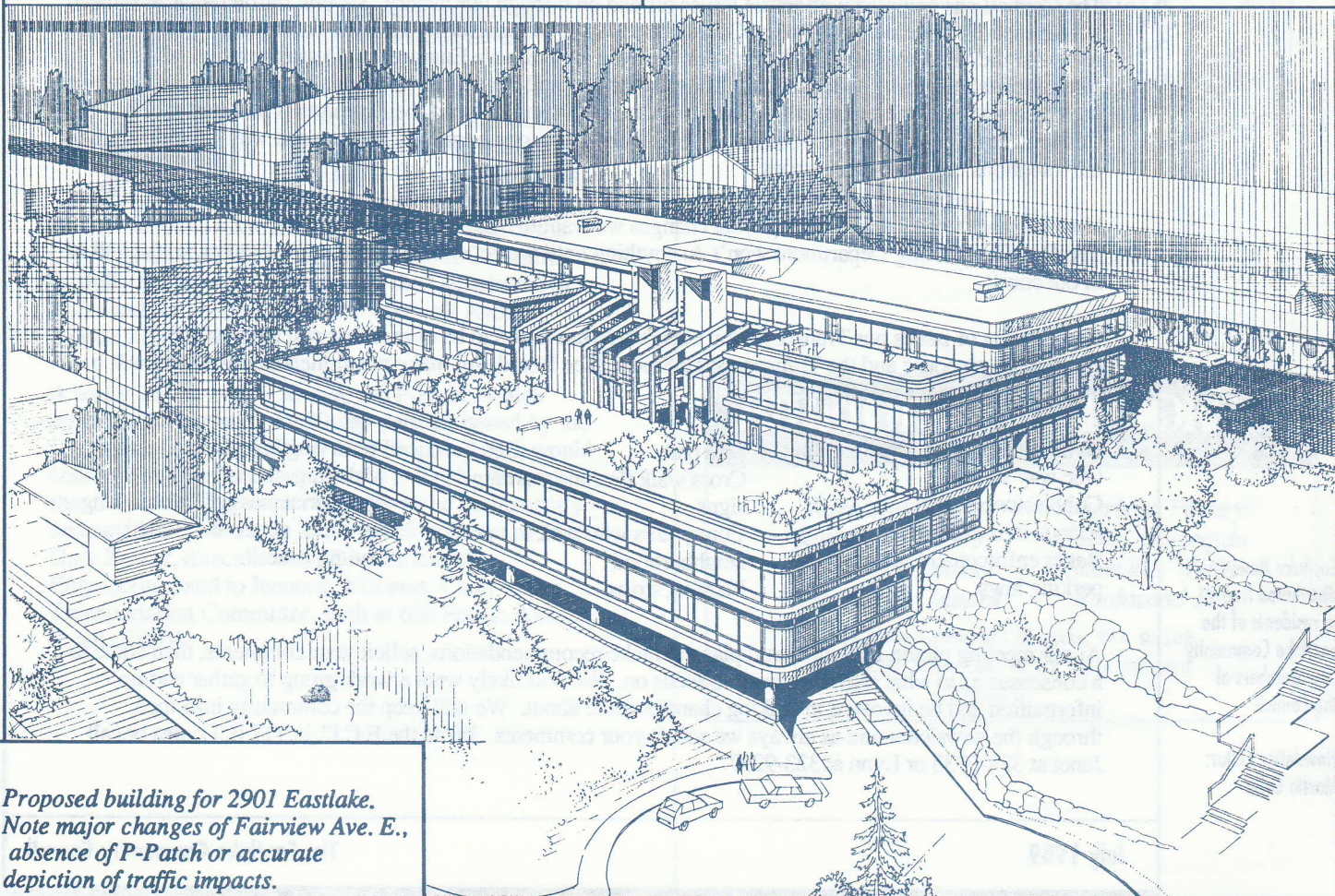
All residents and friends of Eastlake are welcome to this event, which this year will be held along the northern section of Fairview Avenue East near the old Shelby Street right of way (between Hamlin and Allison streets) by the P-Patch and the proposed Fairview park preserve. This is a potluck, so bring a main course, salad, dessert, drink, or some extra plates, cups, or eating utensils. Barbecue grills will be in operation. A square dancing caller may be present, and other features are being planned; but perhaps most important about this annual event is the chance to meet your neighbors and see old friends.

Fairview on the Precipice

Proposed developments fronting on Eastlake and Fuhrman pose the greatest threat ever to the peaceful northern section of Fairview Avenue E. This area is the closest thing to a country road that can be found near to downtown and the university district. The ECC Land Use Committee and many other residents have commented on the proposals at 3230 Eastlake Avenue (MUP #8806885) and at 3316 Fuhrman (MUP and Shoreline Dev. # 8803835). However, the comment period is just starting for the largest proposal of all, at 2901 Eastlake Avenue (see drawing above). Be sure to write a letter to the city about this project's many unacceptable impacts to Dennis McLerran, Director, Department of Construction and Land Use, 600 Fourth Avenue, Seattle 98104. The 2901 Eastlake project has a Master Use Permit number of 8801059. You may view the full file down at city hall, or may borrow the plans from Mark Blatter at 322-4041.

ECC is concerned about the 2901 Eastlake proposal's impact on parking and congestion on Fairview, Eastlake, and other streets, loss of the P-Patch, damage to wildlife in the area, among other concerns. In response to an ECC request, the Department of Construction and Land Use held a meeting on May 31 to consider the cumulative impacts of this and other projects. Eastlake residents came out in force to call on DCLU to do a formal study of

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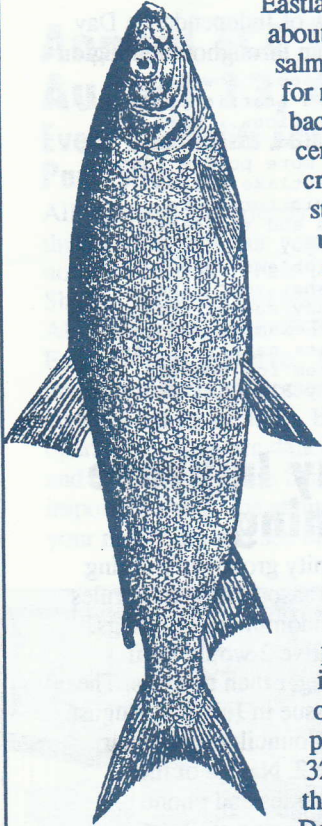


*Proposed building for 2901 Eastlake.
Note major changes of Fairview Ave. E.,
absence of P-Patch or accurate
depiction of traffic impacts.*

Fairview on the Precipice, Cont. from page 2

these impacts. DCLU has now agreed to do such a study, but they still need to hear from you on the need for a full-scale environmental impact statement. Write to Dennis McLerran, (address above).

The Seattle parks department is now considering an ECC proposal for a park preserve on the site of the proposed development at 2901 Eastlake. Particularly notable about the area is a population of salmon that have spawned there for many years, possibly dating back at least to early in this century when Fairview was created by filling in their stream. The stream is now an underground aquifer that supplies a spring whose upwelling on the lake bottom supplies cold flowing water that is necessary to incubate the salmon eggs. ECC will be working with fishery scientists to study this population, which may be the only known one to spawn in Lake Union, and is undoubtedly the most accessible to public view. For information on the proposal, and if you have any information about the salmon or about birds, mammals, or plants you have seen there, call 322-5463. To urge support of the park proposal, write to Dolores Sibonga, chair of the



City Council's Parks and Public Grounds Committee; to Holly Miller, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, both at 600 Fourth Avenue, Seattle 98104.

A particular concern is to save the P-Patch, which currently is subsisting on 30-day permits issued by the Department of Engineering. The proposed park would continue and probably expand the P-Patch. To urge that the old Shelby street right of way be permanently dedicated to the P-Patch and the park preserve, write to Gary Zarker, director of the Department of Engineering; and to Jeanette Williams, Chair of the Transportation Committee, both at 600 Fourth Avenue, Seattle 98104.

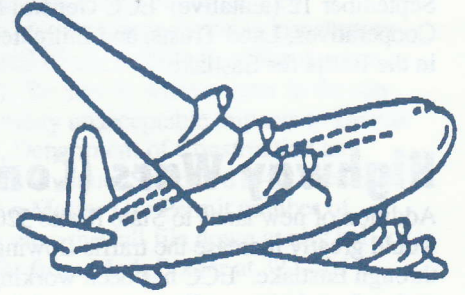
Aircraft Noise Complaint Hot Lines

If you are bothered by aircraft noise, you may register your complaint at the following numbers:

Float Planes—684-8811 (Seattle Citizens Service Bureau)

Jet Planes—
433-5393 (Port of Seattle)

Nighttime helicopter flights—
684-8875
(Seattle Department of Construction and Land Use)



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12-5:30 Tues.-Sat. & By Appointment
329-6676

ECC Grand Survey

1. Where were you born? (City, State) _____ What Year? _____
2. How many _____ adults _____ children live in your household?
3. Did you attend _____ Seattle Public Schools? _____ Seward School?
4. If you have school age children, where will they attend school next fall? _____.
5. Do you regularly read _____ The Wall Street Journal _____ USA Today
_____ Seattle Times _____ Seattle P-I _____ Weekly _____ Lake Union Review
_____ Eastlake News
6. Have you lived in Eastlake _____ less than 1 year _____ 2-5 years
_____ 6-15 years, _____ 16-30 years, _____ 30 or more years?
7. Do you _____ own? _____ rent? If you rent, what do you pay monthly? \$ _____
8. Is your residence a _____ house _____ apartment
_____ condominium _____ houseboat?
9. If you live in an apartment or condominium, how many units are in your building? _____ In your own unit, how many bedrooms are there? _____
10. Is this your first Eastlake residence? _____ Yes _____ No
11. Do you have a home-based business? _____ Yes _____ No
12. At home, do you recycle _____ aluminum cans _____ newspaper, _____ glass,
_____ tin, _____ mixed paper, _____ plastic bottles?
13. Where do you grocery shop? (location) _____
14. Do you take plastic grocery bags? _____ Yes _____ No
15. Have you used any of the following libraries in the past year?
_____ University of Washington _____ Fremont
_____ University District _____ Downtown
_____ Montlake _____ Other (specify)
16. During the past year, have you visited:
_____ South Passage Park _____ Roanoke Street Pocket Park
_____ Rogers Playfield _____ Lynn Street Pocket Park
_____ Seward School _____ Terry Pettis Pocket Park
_____ Chandlers Cove _____ Center for Wooden Boats
_____ Gasworks Park _____ Roanoke Park _____ Volunteer Park
17. Which of these noises disturb you at home? (1 = Worst, 2 = Bad, 3 = Unpleasant, 4 = not a problem)
_____ Tavern Patrons _____ Party Boats _____ Autos _____ Human Neighbors
_____ Auto Stereos _____ Helicopters _____ Trucks _____ Animal Neighbors
_____ Jet Airplanes _____ Motorcycles _____ Freeways _____ Other _____
_____ Construction _____ Seaplanes _____ Busses _____ Other _____
18. What is your favorite Eastlake street or location and why? _____

19. Favorite boat or ship on Lake Union _____
20. How many neighbors do you know by name? _____ 0-5, _____ 6-20, _____ 21+
21. Are you satisfied by the number of neighbors you know? _____ Yes _____ No
22. Do you walk, run or jog on a regular basis? _____ Yes _____ No
23. Do you use a bicycle for _____ recreation _____ commuting to work
_____ running errands?
24. How often do you use it? _____ Rarely _____ Weekly _____ Other
25. Do you use the Fairview bike trail? _____ Yes _____ No

26. Do you stroll Fairview Ave for recreation? Yes No
27. Do you canoe, kayak, sail, windsurf or swim in/on on Lake Union?
(Please circle each activity as appropriate).
28. Which of the following wild animals have you seen in Eastlake in the past year:
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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> beaver | <input type="checkbox"/> raccoon | <input type="checkbox"/> salmon | <input type="checkbox"/> bluebird |
| <input type="checkbox"/> opossum | <input type="checkbox"/> kingfisher | <input type="checkbox"/> seal | <input type="checkbox"/> muskrat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hawk | <input type="checkbox"/> woodpecker | other _____ | |
29. If you work outside of the home, how do you normally commute?
 bus car carpool bike foot
30. How long does it take for you to get to work? _____ minutes
31. Do you have a Metro bus pass? Yes No
32. How many motor vehicles are owned by members of your household? _____
33. In what year was your residence built? _____
34. Do you have off-street parking? Yes No
35. How many times a week do you have to park farther than one half block from your home? _____
36. Do you support banning Lake Union seaplanes? limiting the number of flights? limiting the hours of operation?
37. Have you ever flown on a Lake Union seaplane? Yes No
38. What types of retail would you like to see in the neighborhood?
1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
39. What types of retail would you not like to see in the neighborhood?
1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
40. What is your favorite building in Eastlake? _____
41. What is your least favorite building in Eastlake? _____
42. What is your favorite Eastlake business? _____
43. The ECC Board does not endorse candidates for public office, but should it endorse state and local ballot measures? Yes No
44. Are you registered to vote? Yes No
45. Eastlake Neighborhood's worst problem _____
46. Eastlake Neighborhood's greatest asset _____
47. How long do you expect/want to live in Eastlake? _____
48. If you left Eastlake, where would you likely move? _____
49. Question Suggestions for another year:

Please return this survey to Lake Union Mail at 117 E. Louisa Street, 98102 by August 1, 1989. Extra surveys may be obtained there as well.

Information from this survey will be used by the community council and interested individuals to better understand our neighborhood. Completed surveys will be available to Eastlake residents during the next year.

Thank you!