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## Council meeting

June 10 -- Eastlake Community Council open meeting from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Seward School

## Park tour May 3

Latest drawings for the new park between Eastlake and Fairview avenues near Shelby St. are on view there Saturday, May 3, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., near the P-patch. The event is part of a city-wide tour of parks purchased since 1990.

The acquisition of one acre for the park on Lake Union's shoreline helped preserve Fairview as a last country road in the city.

## Crosswalk fixed

After eight years of effort, local business owners have convinced the City of Seattle to change the pedestrian traffic signal at Eastlake and Louisa.

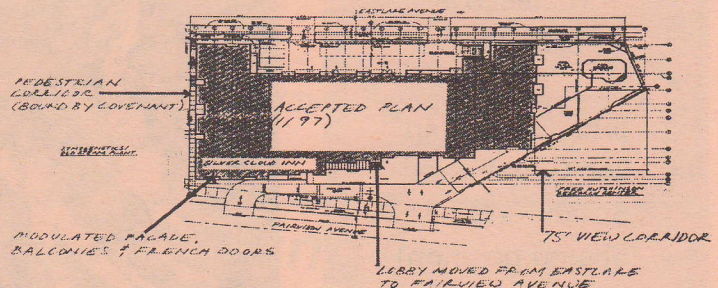
The signal has been reprogrammed from a maximum 95 second cycle to a maximum 10 second cycle, with two exceptions. First the 95 second cycle will be in effect during PM rush; second the signal will cycle 30 seconds between pedestrian activations. Crossing time remains at 20 seconds.

The April 7 change followed years of requests from local businesses, particularly Jules James of Lake Union Mail and Michael Beckley of VideoQuest.

## SILVER CLOUD: WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED

By Bill Keasler & Cheryl Trivison

Just south of the historic Steam Plant / ZymoGenetics, with Eastlake Avenue E. to the east and Fairview Avenue E. to the west, construction of the 184-unit, 150,000 square foot, seven story Silver Cloud Inn has begun. The following overview shows the process and accomplishments by which the Eastlake community worked with the developer and DCLU to acknowledge our mutual responsibility to give this community a better building.



### TIMELINE

Jan. 24, 1996	SCI submits plans to DCLU for MUP
Jan. 29, 1996	ECC letter to DCLU to extend comment period
Feb. 10, 1996	ECC/Community letters to the City
Feb. 10, 1996	ECC letter to DCLU
March 14, 1996	DCLU sponsored Public Meeting
March 28, 1996	ECC sponsored Community Meeting
April 3, 1996	Community letter to DCLU
April 25, 1996	Community members meet with DCLU staff
April 8, 1996	ECC sponsored Community Meeting
May 6, 1996	SCI presents revised drawings #1
May 10, 1996	Lake Union Coalition formed
May 14, 1996	Deverick Martin's Traffic Impact Analysis
May 15, 1996	Carol Eychaner's Land Use Report
May-Sept. 1996	Weekly LUC meetings
June 20, 1996	Neighborhood working meeting
July 9, 1996	LUC signs contract with Attorney Peter Eglick
July 10, 1996	LUC and SCI meet for community's review
Aug. 6, 1996	Attny. (Eglick) letter to DCLU requesting an EIS
Aug. 6, 1996	LUC and SCI meet to work on issues
Aug. 7, 1996	Attny. (Eglick) letter dated August 6 sent to Mayor, Councilmembers (City responses August, 1996)
Aug. 22, 1996	LUC and SCI meet, discuss revised plans (8-15-96)
Sept.-Dec. 1996	Settlement negotiations between LUC and SCI
Jan. 1, 1997	Agreement signed between LUC and SCI
Jan. 9, 1997	DCLU approves MUP

### KEY:

ECC-Eastlake Community Council	Home Association
FHA-Floating Home Association	SCI-Silver Cloud Inn
LUC-Lake Union Coalition: Eastlake Community Council and the Floating	DCLU-Seattle Department of Construction and Land Use
	MUP-Master Use Permit #9503677

The particular accomplishments include:

- Balconies with French doors on west side of the building facing Lake Union
- Relocation of the hotel lobby from Eastlake Avenue E. to Fairview Avenue E.
- Elimination of driveway ramps at the north and south ends of the building
- A pedestrian corridor on the northern side of the property, mini- (See SILVER CLOUD, p. 3)



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# Light Rail route to be revisited

The Regional Transit Authority is gearing up for an environmental impact statement on the proposed light rail under Capitol Hill.

A part of that study will be to compare the tunnel route with a route that is at least partly on the surface through Eastlake, Roanoke Park, or Portage Bay. It is hard to know how realistic is the alternative, which many have vigorously opposed in the past. The Regional Transit Authority promises to include neighborhood representatives on the advisory committee and to send out a lot of information soon.

See our next issue for more details. In the meantime, questions may be directed to RTA official Ron Endlich at 684-6776.

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## Help improve transportation in Eastlake

The Eastlake Tomorrow neighborhood planning process is reexamining the 1994 Eastlake Transportation Plan.

Copies of 68 recommendations may be found at Lake Union Mail and at the Floating Homes Association office, where you can also see the plan itself (also available at <http://oo.net/oo/et>).

Please mark up a copy of the recommendations with your preferences on which should be kept.

To obtain your personal copy of the plan, call 322-5463 or e-mail [cleman@oo.net](mailto:cleman@oo.net).



117 East Louisa Street; M-F 9-6, Sat 10-3



# Petitions on buses and traffic signal

Please sign and help circulate two petitions, available at Lake Union Mail.

One protests King County's decision not to route the forthcoming electric version of the 70 bus into the downtown tunnel. The tunnel route would save up to 8 minutes, helping make up for the 70's slowness and loss of quicker service on Eastlake Avenue south of the in-

tersection with Fairview.

The petition also calls for any express bus using Eastlake Avenue to make at least two stops in our neighborhood.

The other petition asks the Lake Union District Council to give \$25,000 of its \$35,000 Neighborhood Street Fund for a stop light to allow pedestrians to safely cross Eastlake Avenue at

Allison Street.

Harborview researchers found this intersection has among the city's worst rates of drivers failing to stop for pedestrians. Back in 1995, 179 signatures were gathered for a signal, but we need more signatures to show current support. Signed petitions may be dropped off at Lake Union Mail, 117 E. Louisa St.

## SILVER CLOUD continued from p. 1

mum 5-foot width, which connects Eastlake and Fairview Avenues; it has two 10-foot landings with benches, planters and lighting; and is open to the public for the life of the project and bound by a covenant; SCI has agreed to maintain this pedestrian corridor

- 75-foot view corridor at the south end of the building
- Contribution of \$6,000 for Eastlake Community parks

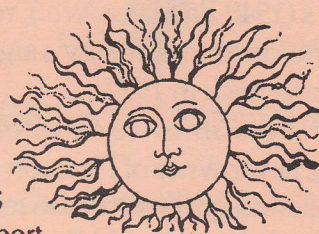
The tenacious hard work of many people made this happen. People to thank are: the Floating Home Association Board of Directors and the Eastlake Community Council Board of Directors; Dave Dykstra, Architect, Eastlake Tomorrow Planning Committee; Deverick Martin, Transportation Engineer/Publisher, ECC President; Tom Philips, Architect, Owner of the Buffalo Building; Peter Eglick and Jane Kiker, Helsell Fetterman; Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and architects re. suggestions for improving modulations, color/shade scheme, a stepping facade, and cornice; Carol Eychaner; Beth Walker for her energy; and all the community members, far too numerous to list, who participated in one way or another.

*Bill Keasler is president of the Floating Homes Association. Cheryl Trivison is the former president of the Eastlake Community Council.*

P.S. Both FHA and ECC are accepting donations to cover the costs of the associated consultant and legal fees. Cheryl Trivison can be reached at 325-8410. Bill Keasler can be reached at 325-8017.

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# Business Notes

By Chris Leman

Condolences to Classic Signs proprietor (and longtime Eastlake resident) Brad Ingham on the death of his dog, Lucky, a constant companion and virtual partner in the business for eight years. Creator of some of the City's best-loved signs, Ingham did the big new one at Pharaoh's (1540 Eastlake Ave.), replacing the landmark Bogey's sign he had done back in 1977. ...

And welcome to Robert Patterson, new owner of Pharaoh's, a sports bar and grill which also features billiards (and the old Bogey's sign, which is now indoors). ...

Jules James of Lake Union Mail reminds us that the cash machine at the Quick Stop (2352 Eastlake Ave. E) has NO SERVICE FEES, courtesy of Evergreen. It is Evergreen's only off-site cash machine. ...

Eastlake is sorry to lose Seattle Floral and Garden, whose building was condemned after landslide damage in the heavy rains last month. Our heart goes out to property owner Mike Owen, as insurance does not cover those acts of God. The 1928 building was at one time or another a grocery store, art gallery, and copy shop. ...

Relocating to Eastlake will be the corporate headquarters of R.D. Merrill (a timberland holding company that also builds and manages retirement homes for independent and assisted living); Merrill's offices will be in the former Industrial Electric building at 1936 Fairview. ...

Congratulations to Seattle Caviar

Co., which has relocated to larger quarters in the quaint building at 2833 Eastlake once occupied by Original Grounds. ...

The 14 Carrot Cafe is now open for dinners, Wednesday through Saturday, 5:30 - 11 p.m. ...

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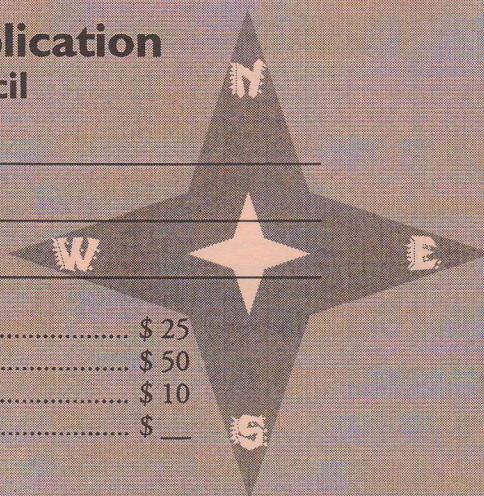
## ECC Membership Application Eastlake Community Council

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- ▶ Household ..... \$ 25
- ▶ Business ..... \$ 50
- ▶ Senior Citizen/Student/Low Income ..... \$ 10
- ▶ Donation ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_



### Interests

- Parks and Open Spaces
- Traffic/Parking Issues
- Building Guidelines
- Newsletter Distribution
- Fundraising
- Work Parties
- Community Art Projects
- Community Meetings

### Member Status

- New
- Renewal

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