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Card Room Lawsuit Status

When the City Council adopted the card room ban in December 2005, the owner of the card room immediately filed suit in federal district court seeking, among other things, to prevent the enforcement of the Ordinance. Since that time, the litigation has been winding its way through the judicial system and the card room has been allowed to remain in operation, pursuant to court order. Currently, the dispute is being considered at two levels, one in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and one in King County Superior Court. The City prevailed at the federal district court, and all of the card room owner's claims were dismissed. That decision has been appealed to the Ninth Circuit. In Superior Court, the City recently prevailed on the card room owner's motion for partial summary judgment regarding the gambling tax. The Ninth Circuit has not yet scheduled a date for hearing on the appeal. Trial in the Superior Court action is set for March 2008. We understand that the City's card room ban will not be enforceable until such time as the courts have ruled on these matters or the cases are otherwise resolved.

Early SR 522 Construction Work to Begin in March



In March, Sprint Communications crews will be relocating utility lines near 80th Avenue NE and the Swamp Creek Bridge. This early construction work is in preparation for planned improvements to the SR 522 corridor between 73rd Ave NE and 83rd Place.

Sprint Communications will move existing utility lines away from the Swamp Creek Bridge, as the City prepares to replace the bridge. Some of the work will take place through the night to minimize the impact and delay to traffic on SR 522.

The City of Kenmore will be completing several improvements to SR 522 to reduce congestion, improve transit reliability and increase vehicle and pedestrian safety. The SR 522 project will include:

- Widening sections of the roadway
- Modifying intersections

- Installing additional traffic signals
- Landscaping and street lighting
- Installing sidewalks
- Installing business access and transit lanes
- Conversion of overhead utilities to underground

Construction on SR 522 between 73rd Ave NE and 83rd Place will begin in late April or early May and will take approximately 18 months. The project costs approximately \$23 million and is funded with state and federal grants as well local funding from Sound Transit, King County and the City.

Additional corridor improvements will begin later this year.

For additional information, please visit:

<http://www.cityofkenmore.com>

The proposed Civic Open Space needs your input

Kenmore is about to realize its long held vision to create a vital civic and community center downtown - Kenmore Village by the Lake - with new retail and housing.

Part of this vision includes a Civic Open Space – and that's where you come in.

The larger project is approximately nine acres and bound on the east by 68th Avenue NE and the south by NE 181st Street. The Civic Open Space is near the southeast corner of the site, will include landscaped open space linked by new sidewalks, trails, and areas for community activities.

There has been significant work in the past few years to help establish the overall qualities and characteristics of Kenmore Village by the Lake and its Civic Open Space.

Kenmore Partners, the City's private development partner, will lead two open house meetings to allow the public to offer their input on the char-

acter and use of Open Space.

All who live and work in Kenmore are encouraged to attend these community Open Houses to help ensure that the open space in Kenmore Village by the Lake will be an expression of the values, character and aspirations of Kenmore residents.

The dates for these Open Houses will be announced soon. Please plan to attend at least one of these community meetings. It is, after all, your city, and this is an excellent opportunity to voice your opinion about the shape of Kenmore for generations to come.

And this is just the beginning. Kenmore Village by the Lake encompasses less than a quarter of the broader urban vision for Kenmore, so more open space is on the horizon as development occurs.

For more information, visit www.cityofkenmore.com.



Kenmore Village by the Lake includes a Civic Open Space.

Brightwater Central Contract Road Closure

Northeast 192nd Street will be closed from 80th Ave NE to 73rd Ave NE. Local traffic access only. The closure will be in effect from Feb. 28 until May 1, 2007. Twenty-four hour emergency access and ingress/egress to all properties will be maintained.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Brightwater Construction Community Hotline at (206) 684-6799.



Land Use Notices

The following is a list of the Notices of Application published in City of Kenmore within the last two months. They are organized according to quadrant of the City. Please feel free to call (425) 398-8900 with any questions about a project and refer to the project name and file number.

Southeast Quadrant

- 16323 and 16315 Simonds Road NE.** Subdivision of 2.296 acres zoned R-6 into 13 single-family residential lots, existing houses to be removed. Proposed access to lots will be provided via a new cul-de-sac street onto Simonds Road. A stormwater detention facility is proposed to be located on the northeast corner of the site within a detention tract. A Tot Lot is proposed to be located on the south side. Refer to TEC Homes Long Plat, Kenmore File No. PLP2006-103.
- 15368 Juanita Drive NE.** Subdivision of 19,748 square feet zoned R-6, into two single-family residential lots, existing residence on site to remain. Access to be provided via Juanita Drive NE. Refer to the Termure Short Plat, Kenmore File No. PSP2006-110.
- 16726 79th Place NE.** Subdivision of 13,566 square feet zoned R-6, into two single-family residential lots, existing house to remain. Both lots will access 79th Place NE via individual driveways. Refer to the Wellington Hills 16726 Short Plat, Kenmore File No. PSP2006-112.
- 16710 79th Place NE.** Subdivision of 18,012 square feet, zoned R-6, into two single-family residential lots, existing house to remain, with access to 79th Place NE via existing driveway, new residence to access 79th via a new driveway. Refer to the Wellington Hills 16710 Short Plat, Kenmore File No. PSP2006-113.
- 19914 80th Ave. NE.** Subdivision of 3.85 acres zoned R-6 into two single-family residential lots, existing house and outbuildings to remain on Lot 1. The western portions of both proposed lots are constrained by a Type 2 stream and Class 2 wetland. The applicant proposes to reduce the critical area buffer to the minimum width of 112.5 feet by enhancing both the wetland and the stream/wetland buffer. Access to Lot 1 will remain from 80th Ave. NE. Access to Lot 2 is proposed at NE 198th St. Refer to the Thomas Short Plat, Kenmore File No. PSP2006-118.

Northeast Quadrant

- 18418 80th Ave. NE.** Subdivision of 12,000 square foot lot zoned R-6 into two single-family residential lots, existing house to remain on Lot 1. Refer to Kamran 4 Short Plat, Kenmore File No. PSP2007-004.

**SPRING
EGG HUNT**
SATURDAY, APRIL 7
9:30 A.M. - NOON
INGLEMOOR HIGH SCHOOL
For more information visit
www.cityofkenmore.com

Spring Egg Hunt

FREE
Event!!

Date: Saturday, April 7

Time: 9:30 a.m. – Noon

Location: Inglemoor High School

Games &
Activities

Bouncy
Toys

Age Group
Divisions
(up to age 12)

Bunny
photos

Canned
Food
Drive

For more information call 425-398-8900 or visit www.cityofkenmore.com.

Dispute Resolution Center of King County

Are you caught in a conflict? Or would you like to learn some skills to help you deal with conflict better? The Dispute Resolution Center of King County (DRC) can help. The DRC is a non-profit community mediation center that has helped people and organizations in King County resolve conflicts peacefully for over 20 years. The DRC provides:

- Free and low cost conflict resolution services and classes
 - Telephone consultation, small claims court mediation, and community mediation services
 - Group mediation and facilitation
 - A highly rated mediation training class and mentored apprenticeship program
 - Educational presentations
 - Customized training
- One hundred and sixty professionally trained DRC mediators help thousands of people

every year to resolve many different kinds of conflict which involve:

- Neighbor - neighbor problems such as property lines, animals, noise and gardening issues
- Landlord – tenant problems involving deposits, cleaning issues and evictions
- Business – consumer problems such as auto repair, construction and dry cleaners
- Separation agreements to help with asset division and parenting plans
- Family conflict and interpersonal problems
- School related issues
- Employer – employee or co-worker related concerns
- Elder care, care facility or guardianship issues
- Intercultural misunderstandings
- Internal organizational conflict
- Interpreted services for

non-English speaking clients. The DRC office is located in central Seattle's Wallingford neighborhood in the Good Shepherd Center. Most of our community mediations take place at this office, although mediations in public locations like community centers and libraries around King County can be arranged for those who are not able to come to Seattle. The DRC also has mediators in all the small claims courts in King County, providing mediation on the day of trial as an alternative to going in front of the judge.

Call the DRC at (206) 443-9603, or toll free at (888) 803-4696, and press 1, to find out more information about mediation, conflict resolution training, and presentations or visit their website at www.kcdrc.org. DRC office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and open on Tuesday and Thursday nights.