

**Bellingham Subarea Comments
February 23, 2005, Kulshan Middle School
Yew Street Road Area**

- Please use a PA system, everyone deserves to hear in a public meeting
- Please repeat audience questions for the benefit of the assembly, or allow the questioners to use the PA system
- Need another meeting, only had a week or less notice
- Don't break up into groups

- Oops . . . Governor Road
- Put greenways trails in place before the houses go up
- Instead of putting large houses on smaller and smaller lots, encourage more building of very small houses
- What are TDRs?
- Urban villages will change character of the area to partially commercial
- Urban villages make no sense up on the hill
- The UGA should be fully developed
- I like it
- Keep trees
- Preserve and connect greenbelts/trails
- Taxes will go up by urban villages
- Upgrade Governor Road if it connects through to 40th Street
- As drawn, Governor Road goes off a cliff (north of Mahonia)
- Don't put all the density in the UGA, look at 20,000 sq. ft. view lots in the city also
- I like the urban village idea
- Keep greenways and trees within housing areas
- Yew Street needs to be widened south of the fire station before more housing is built, four lanes may be needed
- Don't allow this area to be like Barkley Village with small lots and no trees
- Lake Padden is being polluted with phosphorous from runoff from development
- High density is out of character with Autumnwood Court and other areas
- Removal of trees increases potential for noise pollution
- City should buy the land west of Autumnwood Court for open space
- If more houses in this area increases use of Lake Padden Park, then provide more parking for the park
- Balance housing with more parks
- Platted rights of way in Fenton's Addition are vacated by statute, including Bass Street
- Buy greenways now before area develops.
- Connect ROS land on Samish Way to ROS land by Pacific View with an open space corridor

- Strong design and landscaping standards are needed for higher density areas (for buildings) to make them fit in with the neighborhood
- Traffic controls are needed with increased traffic
- Opposed to higher density and urban villages
- Woods behind Autumnwood have deer, squirrels, coyote, and birds, don't make them move
- Sewer needed on Yew Street, connect it south to Samish Way
- Road improvements needed to Yew Street sooner
- In favor of urban village at San Juan Blvd. and Yew Street Rd.
- Support 8-12 units per acre at Palmer Road west of Yew St. Rd.
- Condominiums are preferred over apartments because of concerns for crime
- A public process is needed for design of urban villages