



# City of Burien

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Mike Martin, City Manager

**DATE:** June 4, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Modification, June 4, 2007

The following agenda changes were received after agenda preparation. The items may be added to the agenda as follows:

### 5. CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE RECORD

- u. Email Dated May 30, 2007, from Nancy Harmon Regarding Public Art Feedback.
- v. Email Dated May 30, 2007, from Diane Ste. Marie Regarding Lora Lake Apartment Teardown.
- w. Email Dated May 30, 2007, from Akiko Miyake-Stoner Regarding Lora Lake Apartments.
- x. Email Dated June 3, 2007, from Cathie M. Carlisle Regarding Lora Lake Apartments.
- y. Email Dated May 31, 2007, from Toni Lysen Regarding Lora Lake.
- z. Email Dated June 1, 2007, from Randi Vevle Hansen Regarding Demolish the Lora Lake Apartment.
- aa. Email Dated June 3, 2007, from Bonnie Wolcott Regarding Lora Lake Apartments.
- bb. Letter Dated May 30, 2007, from Speaker of the House Frank Chopp and Representative Shay Schaul-Berke Regarding status of the Lora Lake Apartment Complex.

### Recommended Motion:

Motion to Affirm the June 4, 2007, Agenda with the addition of Correspondence for the Record Items 5 "u - bb."

Nancy,

Your email will be made part of the Correspondence for the Record for tonight's Council meeting.

Janet S.

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**From:** Nancy Harmon [mailto:nancy23.harmon@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2007 10:03 PM  
**To:** stephenc@burienwa.gov  
**Subject:** Public Art Feedback

Dear Stephen Clark,

I'm writing about a conceptual drawing I saw for a public art installation in Burien. I'm writing about a giant screw emerging from broken concrete (it might be one you've called Archimedes screw?).

I really can't imagine how Burien people would relate to this image: I suppose I can see how something new is emerging from old foundations, but it looks quite violent to me. I've lived in Fremont, Wenatchee, and shopped in University Village, not to mention Pike Place Market (and what about the Husky dog at the UW?). Each of those places has public art that recalls warm, fun memories. Examples from these successful cities and shopping sites are (as I'm sure you know) the "Waiting For The Interurban", "Coyote Reading a Candy Wrapper", the bronze calves romping at U-Village plaza, etc....

"I'll meet you by the Husky", or "Be sure to pet the Pig at the market!" are meeting places I've used. But in Burien, will I be saying: "meet me at the screw?" I hope you will consider something approachable by families.

Respectfully,

Nancy Harmon  
206-664-0481

CFTR: 6-4-07

Your comments will be made a part of the Correspondence for the Record in the next Council agenda packet.

Janet S.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ste. Marie Diane [mailto:[dstemarie@intergate.com](mailto:dstemarie@intergate.com)]

Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2007 2:47 PM

To: Burien

Subject: Lora Lake Apartment Teardown

I am writing as a person of faith, a resident of Martin Luther King County, a member of ACORN and retired White Center Heights music teacher. Finding affordable housing in the true sense of the word, for people well under the median income of Seattle, is extremely difficult, I personally know. To see "apartment dweller friendly" housing disappear is a travesty. To see no effort to replace this housing with similar "apartment dweller friendly" housing is a travesty. To deny the testimony of Burien residents, housing advocates and professional acoustician makes no sense. If it ain't broke, don't fix it, as the saying goes.

Affordable housing for low-income people is a priority and a necessity. Let the remaining units stand.

Diane Ste. Marie

CFTK: 6-4-07

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Janet S.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Akiko Miyake-Stoner [mailto:akikoms@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2007 2:49 PM

**To:** Burien

**Subject:** Lora Lake Apartments

I am writing as a person of faith and a resident of Martin Luther King County who is very concerned about the decision by the Port of Seattle and the Burien City Council to demolish the Lora Lake Apartments. I have two concerns; what will happen to the low-income families who call these apartments home, and the lack of affordable housing in this county in light of the overwhelming need.

I urge you as an elected official who can make a difference in the lives of those living in Lora Lake to revisit the decision to demolish the apartments. What we need in King County is more affordable housing, not more ?big box retail? that may be built on the demolished Lora Lake site. I support organizations such as the Church Council of Greater Seattle, the Lutheran Public Policy Office of Washington State, and many others who are urging people in their networks to communicate with elected officials involved in this issues as well as state legislators in the affected area to bring about a non-demolition solution.

I look forward to your response and hope you will reconsider your decision to demolish these apartments.

Sincerely, Akiko Miyake-Stoner

CF TR: 6-4-07

