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Waterfront Planning Committee Members Jerry Childs, John Clauson, Carolyn Powers and Larry Stokes (POB) met on February 25, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. at Shari’s Restaurant. Also present: Public Works Director Mark Dorsey, POB CEO Tim Thompson and Mayor Tim Matthes.

**Miscellaneous:** Committee members discussed coordination efforts for the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Port of Bremerton’s Waterfront Park Expansion Project. It was determined that the ribbon-cutting ceremony, complete with Navy Band, would occur at 3:00 PM on Sunday, May 26, 2013. It was confirmed by POB CEO Thompson that the park expansion/Segment #2 pathway construction would be complete. Also discussed; alternative ways to obtain “waterfront redevelopment comments/input” from the Community at large during the event. Commissioner Stokes advocated for the use of a suggestion box.

**Goals and Objectives — Discussion Cont’d:** As needed for future guidance as part of the 2014 Budget development process, the Committee continued to address the task of creating a joint vision for the redevelopment of the City’s waterfront. From the last meeting, the Committee members discussed the following:

- Key to Success – Build Partnerships
- Create a vibrant waterfront – a place where people want to go
- Key to Success - Shoreline accessibility
- **Address parking issues — understand current waterfront parking users**
- Utilize previously prepared documents (Jespersons/Edaw) where feasible
- Understand parcel ownership constraints – strategic resolution
- Amenities – regionally attract families

For today’s meeting, “Talking Points” were presented by Committee Chair Childs (see attached.) It was determined that the Committee should focus on promoting “what has been done” as a first step into gaining community support for the project, then look at “needs vs. wants” in a waterfront plan. **To be discussed further at next meeting.**

**Next Meeting(s):** April 22, 2013 - 7:30 am at Shari’s Restaurant

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 am

cc: Port of Bremerton, Council, City Attorney, Mayor and Department Heads