



**Environmental Technical Advisory Committee**

**Special Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 18, 2016**

**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

**280 Madison Ave N**

**Bainbridge Island, WA 98110**

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## **AGENDA**

**11:00 AM**

**Call to Order – Chair**

**Acceptance or Modification of the Agenda – ETAC Members**

**Acceptance of Minutes for April 28, 2016 – ETAC Members**

**Suzuki Recommendation – ETAC Members**

**Comments from the Public – All**

**1:00 PM**

**Adjournment – ETAC Members**



**CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ETAC)**

**Special Meeting to Address Suzuki Property**

Thursday, April 28, 2016

11:33 AM – 1:00 PM

Council Conference Room

280 Madison Ave N., Bainbridge Island, Washington

The special meeting was convened by the chair at 11:33 AM. In attendance were: Frank Gremse (chair ETAC) Charlie Kratzer (ETAC member) Karl Shearer (ETAC member), Jane Silverstien, Diane Stever, Jonathan Davis (OPG), Leslie Marshall, Olaf Ribeiro, Mike Bonoff, Cathy Wolff, Herb Heathcote, Doug Rauh, Risham Nassar, Marshall Tappen, Christy Carr.

The purpose of the meeting was to identify the appropriate expertise which should be accessed to address the Suzuki property's important features which were identified at the 21 April meeting. As background for the discussion a plan view of the selected development proposal (Figure 1), a picture of the site presenting the significant features (Figure 2) and a figure of the topography (Figure 3) were available.

Figure 1 – OPG Development Proposal



Figure 2: Suzuki Property Overview

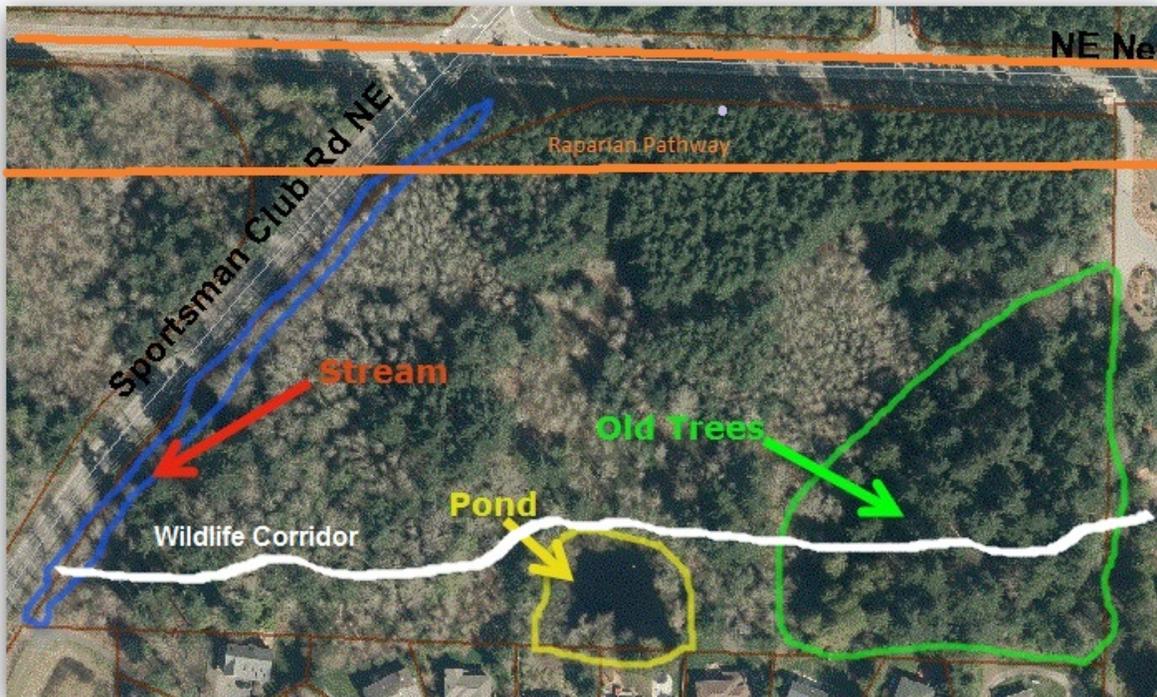
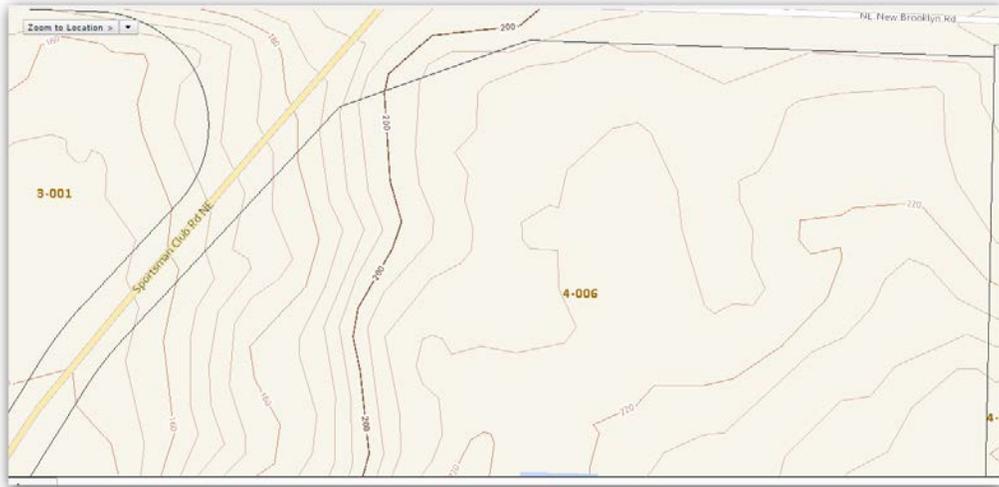


Figure 3 – Topographic view of the Suzuki Property



The significant areas shown in Figure 2 (described in the memo of 21 April 2016 which documented the minutes of the ETAC special meeting to discuss the Suzuki Property) were discussed at length. The consensus opinion was that an ecological evaluation of the property should be conducted.

The recommendation of ETAC is that the City of Bainbridge Island contract with an environmental organization (i.e. consulting firm, non-profit company, etc.) to do an environmental assessment of the property with attention to the features identified in this memo but not exclusively to those features. In order to complete such an assessment, the environmental organization should demonstrate expertise in several environmental/scientific fields such as: forest ecology, urban forestry, hydrogeology, hydrology, wildlife biology, aquatic biology, and fisheries biology. The exact mix of specialties which an organization proposes will allow them to exhibit their understanding of the property's ecological features and thus their suitability.

Meeting was closed at 1:00 PM.



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## ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Memorandum

Date: 20 May 2016  
To: Bainbridge Island City Council  
From: Bainbridge Island Environmental Technical Advisory Committee  
Subject: Suzuki Property Environmental Assessment

ETAC committee hiked the property on 30 March 2016 to obtain a “first hand” observation of the property. Our observations from that hike are presented in Attachment 1. Subsequent to that hike, ETAC held a meeting on 21 April 2016 to identify the significant environmental features of the Suzuki property. The minutes from that meeting are presented in Attachment 2. Finally ETAC held a meeting on 28 April 2016 to discuss the appropriate technical specialties which should be called upon to assess the site. The minutes from that meeting are presented in Attachment 3.

The recommendation of ETAC is that the City of Bainbridge Island contract with an environmental organization (i.e. consulting firm, non-profit company, etc.) to do an ecological assessment of the property with attention to the features identified in the 21 April 2016 memo but not exclusively to those features. In order to complete such an assessment, the environmental organization should demonstrate expertise in several environmental/scientific fields; our recommendation of which is presented in the 28 April 2016 memo. The exact mix of specialties which an organization proposes will allow them to exhibit their understanding of the property’s ecological features and thus, their suitability to undertake this assessment.

If the City Council chooses to accept the recommendation presented in this memo, we expect that a “request for proposal” process would be initiated at some point. That process will likely involve the development of a scope of work and contractor selection criteria. The development of those products will need to consider the inclusion of a number of factors one of which should be evaluating the potential benefit of buffers associated with important habitats identified on the property. In addition, several citizens have provided ETAC with documentation of observations of wildlife on the property. ETAC believes that it would be beneficial if the selected contractor is provided with these.

ETAC has enjoyed this effort and is available to assist in anyway it can in the future.

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