

**Everest Neighborhood
Association Newsletter
March 2016**



**Everest
Neighborhood
Association Board
Members and
Representatives**

NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Tuesday, March 22nd - 7 pm

Fire Station # 22 (6606 108th Ave NE)

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Join us for our next meeting. We will have presentations on

The Totem Lake Mall Redevelopment – Jon Regala from the City of Kirkland will give us an update on the current status of the redevelopment and what the developer envisions for the new mall.

Lake Washington School District Bond – A representative from the Lake Washington Citizens Levy Committee (LWCLC) will join us to explain the needs of the District and what is being proposed for the April 26th ballot.

Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center rezone – Eric Shields, Kirkland Planning Director will join us to talk about the potential timeline and process for considering zoning changes to the Neighborhood Center.

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Refreshments will be served

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4TH ANNUAL EVEREST EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, March 27 at 10 A.M. (by the Playground)

See flyer for more details

RSVP so we have enough eggs: everesteaster@outlook.com with the number of kids that will attend and whether you can help.

More information about the topics on the March 22nd agenda:

The Totem Lake Mall Redevelopment

http://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/planning/Development_Info/projects/Totem_Lake_Mall_Redevelopment.htm

Lake Washington School District Bond

<http://vote4lwsdkids.org/2016-bond-information/>

Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center rezone

In the fall of 2012, Everest residents became aware of zoning changes that had been approved on the Houghton side (south side of 68th St.) to the Neighborhood Center (the four corners of the shopping centers at the intersection of 68th and 108th/6th St S.). This zoning change would have allowed the building height to increase from the current 30 feet allowed, to up to 5 stories. The picture below was an artists' rendering of what the shopping center could look like. At the time, the City wanted Everest residents to consider zoning changes to the Everest side of the Center (so that the two sides were congruent). After much feedback from Everest residents, the Council agreed to allow residents of both neighborhoods to have input into zoning for the entire center and to have the process delayed until after the City Comprehensive Plan was completed. The Comprehensive Plan is complete and the Council asked that we start the process of considering the rezone in the coming months. We asked for a delay until next year because one of the main concerns that residents expressed was that an increase in density at the Center would cause an increase in traffic congestion. We wanted to see what the outcome of the Sound Transit vote would be and also see how much the traffic light at 9th Ave. S. and 6th St S. would improve traffic conditions. The council voted to move ahead with the zoning discussions.



Looking west along NE 68th St at 6th St Intersection