

CLARK COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025

OPEN HOUSE – PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Ruth Bader Ginsberg Elementary School
8408 N.E. 25th Avenue
Vancouver, Washington

7:00 p.m.

TESTIMONY

SKRIVANEK: I have another one. C-i-n-d-y, S-k-r-i-v-a-n-e-k. 10110 N.E. 157th Avenue in Vancouver. My request is that when they're doing roadwork, if they're digging up the road, they should take the time to underground the lines.

I live in the county in a new area and so all of the lines in my neighborhood are underground, but two blocks away in an older part there are all the overhead lines and they're going to be doing roadwork on 99th Street and 152nd Avenue and I'd like to request that when they're digging up those roads to put in the roundabout or whatever they're putting in there, that they take the time and money to underground the lines. It's so much safer.

And then this is a separate issue. So, this has to do with because I was talking to the zoning lady, when they zone a neighborhood for housing development, I'd like them to make sure that the landscaping zoning coding limits the height of trees where there are already overhead wires.

They put in a new housing development over near me a couple years ago, three years ago and it's a beautiful little development, interior lines are underground, around the edges there are overhead lines and they planted trees in the parking strip that are growing up into the lines and now they're sending trucks out to just massacre these trees, so I would like the Zoning Department or the Coding Department or whoever is responsible for that to put rules into the coding so that the landscaping doesn't grow, they don't allow landscaping to grow into the wires. Thank you.

It has to do with the amount of parking that's allocated for all the new development. I was talking to the zoning lady and there was a developer standing there, the State of Washington just passed a law reducing the amount of parking for the units that are being built.

So, the developer was telling me that it used to be 1.5 to 1.8 spaces of parking for each unit, and they've reduced that. In one case, I can't remember what it was, I think it was an apartment, they only get half a space.

So I know this is a County meeting and that the State of Washington kind of imposed this requirement, but if there's any way the County can go back to the State and say this is ridiculous because what the developer was saying from their perspective to be able to build more units means more money, but if people can't park their cars, they won't rent the units.

So, when he said that I went, so, yes, if we could make sure that there are at least one and a half parking places for every unit, I think that would make more sense. Thank you.