

**BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' BRIEFING MINUTES**  
Mason County Commission Chambers, 411 North 5th Street, Shelton, WA  
Tuesday, May 26, 2015

- 2:00 P.M. Executive Session- RCW 42.30.110 (1) Potential Litigation  
Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon met in Executive Session from 2:05 p.m. to 2:35 p.m. for a potential litigation matter. Susan Sergiojan and Dawn Twiddy were also in attendance.
- 2:30 P.M. Community Development/Public Works Briefing – Barbara Adkins/Loretta Swanson  
Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon were in attendance.
- Barbara Adkins provided the impacts of the proposed changes to Title 17. With the removal of a required Special Use Permit and SEPA process, the County may lose its ability to regulate environmental impacts, including noise, at motor vehicle racing facilities.  
Review of the noise controls in the special use permit. Cmmr. Jeffreys stated she talked to the race track manager and they are sensitive to the noise levels and they do check decibel levels. She asked if there should be language for constant monitoring. She asked Public Works to be here for any transportation issues.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin expressed concern if racing facilities are exempted from the noise ordinance and there would be a problem if the special use permit goes away.  
Cmmr. Jeffreys believes the code revision is so the race track can be a race track.  
Cmmr. Sheldon spoke in favor of the changes being proposed and believes it will bring additional investment into the racetrack.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin again expressed concern with no regulation of the noise. He was on the PAC when it was first permitted and he remembers there was assurances to neighbors that the noise would be regulated. He read language referring to exceeding 57 DBA. After discussion, the protection would be for existing development.  
Discussion of potential language, where it would be in the County Code and how it would be enforced. The Noise Ordinance, Mason County Code Chapter 9, is enforced by the Sheriff's Office.  
Cmmr. Jeffreys understands the concerns are with constant noise if there are more uses, not how loud it is and concern with traffic if it is opened to spectators.

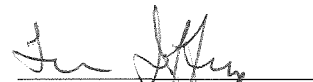
Respectfully submitted,

Diane Zoren, Administrative Services Manager

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