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Coming Wednesday: Edmonds 'Go Green' panel to focus on green building

The City of Edmonds Economic Development Commission is hosting a "Go Green Edmonds" panel this Wednesday featuring Puget Sound-area experts who have experience developing green building projects. The meeting will be at 7:10 p.m., immediately following the commission's regular 6-7 p.m. meeting, in the Brackett meeting room of City Hall, 121 5th Ave. N.

"Go Green Edmonds! Promoting Sustainability through Green Building and Green Practices," is billed as a conversation designed to stimulate the ecology and economy of Edmonds. Panelists include:

Nick Hartwich, green building and smart growth manager for Sustainable Connections in Bellingham, who developed a Green Team Strategic Plan with the City of Bellingham's public works, building services and planning departments.

Patti Southard, King County's "Green Tools" program director and creative director for the county's EcoConsumer Program, who coordinates the county's consumer marketing campaigns and communication and strategic planning for sustainable business models.

Yvonne Kraus, project manager for O'Brien & Co., which developed a sustainability strategy for the City of Shoreline and an economic sustainability strategy for the City of Kirkland.

Cate O'dahl, former education and outreach coordinator for the Sustainable Development Task Force in Snohomish County, and creator of Built Green manuals for Snohomish and King counties.

The agenda for the 6 p.m. Economic Development Commission meeting includes the following:

1. Introductions and comments by chair
2. Amendments to agenda
3. Approval of Economic Development Commission minutes of October 20, 2010.

4. Reports from Subgroups
 1. Land Use (Westgate & Five-Corners)
 2. Strategic Planning and Visioning – Funding
 3. Technology
 4. Tourism
5. Future agenda topics
6. Miscellaneous
7. Audience comments