

Dear Folks:

Following is an e-mail to send out to your list regarding the November 7 Strawberry Plant Meeting. On Monday night, you suggested that the e-mail come from me so that everyone would receive the same message and that it come from a neutral source.

"Dear Community Members:

This e-mail is to encourage you to attend a community meeting hosted by the City of Bainbridge Island on November 7, 2009, regarding the Strawberry Plant Park Project. The purpose of the meeting is to include all members of the community who want to engage in an honest and respectful conversation regarding their interests regarding the Strawberry Plan Park project and to provide useful input to the Bainbridge Island City Council on ideas to meet these interests.

Here's what we hope you will get out of the meeting:

- Your questions answered about the project;
- An understanding of the constraints under which we're operating;
- An opportunity to discuss your key interests (desires, needs & concerns) and understand those of others;
- An opportunity to discuss thoughts about ways to meet these interests and options for proceeding on the project;
- Input for the City Council on interests and options; and
- Understanding of next steps after this meeting.

This is a great opportunity to give input to the City Council in an informal setting about your desires, needs and concerns relating to the Strawberry Plant Park. It's also a good way to understand others in your community better.

The meeting will begin with an informal "walk around" of the Strawberry Plant Park site at 9:00 a.m.

Formal meeting will begin at City Hall Council Chambers at 9:30 a.m. and will adjourn no later than 3:00 p.m.

Look for information on the meeting and the project on the City's website, [www.ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us](http://www.ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us). Linda Owens, a Bainbridge Island citizen, has also researched and written a chronology of the Project. You can read Linda's research at <http://strawberryplant.wordpress.com/>

We look forward to seeing you on the 7th!

Sincerely,

Dee Endelman  
Meeting Facilitator"