

North Creek Village Project Description



North Creek Village is an innovative example of the important “Urban Village” concept of community design and development. Key features include:

- Mixed-use Neighborhood Village
- Pedestrian-oriented Human-scale
 - Low Impact Development
 - Social and Cultural Amenities
- Conservation of Critical Habitat
- Model of Sustainable Development

R. Gregory Ellis – manager of North Creek Village, LLC – has assembled a group of properties along the North Creek corridor of Bothell, Washington. This is an exceptionally well-located assemblage of properties, strategically situated in the Canyon Park area between Bothell’s two large industrial parks, one north of 228th Street and the other south of 240th Street.

As a mixed-use, neighborhood Urban Village, employing many of the principles advocated in the influential “New Urbanism,” North Creek Village will set a standard for thoughtful sustainable development. Residents will enjoy numerous amenities integrated right into the village, such as: a community education campus, a progressive retirement hamlet, an integrative health center, a whole foods market, commercial and office space, selective retail and dining – all set within a luxurious park-like setting. The residents will choose from a variety of housing types, allowing for a diversity of social groups to create a lively, multi-faceted, self-contained community character.

Owing to its enormously beneficial location, North Creek Village will be able to provide services for the corporate enclaves to the north and south – these services becoming the basis for a localized economy. Corporate employees will be attracted to the natural, peaceful, sociable atmosphere of the village, where they may come for lunch, dry-cleaning, day care, after hour classes, etc. – or maybe to just sit by the creek for awhile. Many employees will choose to live right in the village, where they may access their work environments quickly and easily either walking or on bicycle – thus increasing health and well-being and diminishing absenteeism. Many of the professional services that corporations currently contract out for (e.g. accounting, legal, catering, psychological and physical therapy, landscape maintenance, etc.) will become businesses conveniently located right within the North Creek Village.

Visionary in scope yet very sensible in application, North Creek Village has the potential to become a model of sustainable community development for the future. By locating vibrant community life within close proximity of meaningful work situations, North Creek Village will demonstrate that human beings are happier, healthier, and more productive when all

their various needs and joys can be met in one place, without driving all over the landscape. When corporate America comes to realize this – and sees it in action – a flood of investment will be directed toward creating communities of the North Creek Village standard.

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