

Homestead Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

OHSU – CDRC 3200 SW Gaines, Portland, OR

Meeting called to order 7:02 pm

Agenda and Minutes

General introductions were made. Agenda was approved and the previous meeting minutes from June were approved.

Presentations

Barbur Concept Plan, Jay Sugnet

Jay Sugnet, from the City of Portland, presented on the Barbur Concept Plan. This planning process will look at the Barbur Boulevard corridor and develop a long-term vision for the area between Portland City Center and Tigard City Limit. The vision will identify key places of employment, housing, and commercial centers and identify where future development may best be suited. Land use will help inform transportation investment, with respect to how to connect nodes with high capacity transit. Factors such as economic development, accessibility, public health, storm water management and more will also be considered in the vision. Transportation alternatives will be studied in detail including bus rapid transit, MAX light rail and street car expansion. Possible alignments and transit stop locations will also be looked at, including a possible alignment along Barbur Blvd, I-5, a tunnel under Marquam Hill, and others. The Barbur Concept Plan will be one segment of the larger Southwest Corridor, which is poised to receive federal and regional funding.

The 18-month public process will kick off with neighborhood walks. The first walks will be held Sept 22nd and Sept 24th (see the City of Portland website for more details). A community working group will be formed. Joseph Readdy volunteered to serve as the Homestead Neighborhood community representative. The City of Portland has a website dedicated to the Barbur Concept Plan, which has a calendar of upcoming events and details. The link is:
<http://www.portlandonline.com/bps/index.cfm?c=55269>.

Terwilliger Parkway Centennial Celebration, Wes Risher

Friends of Terwilliger will be organizing a Centennial Celebration along Terwilliger Boulevard next year. They are looking for support to include a Sunday Parkways Event as a part of the Centennial Celebration on July 22, 2012. A motion was made for Homestead to support the Centennial Celebration and Sunday Parkway on July 22, 2012. Motion passed with one opposed.

Regular Reports

Board Notes from SWNI: SW Trails Committee head, Don Baack, is creating a new non-profit. Anton Vetterlein said the SWNI Trails Committee will likely dissolve, however work will continue on the trails. Action items from the Trails Committee have been moved to other committees.

Treasurer's Report: Ed Fischer reported that the treasury has \$1038. This includes \$734 from the small grant HNA received last year.

Membership Outreach Report: Susan Egnor spoke about the upcoming small grant application deadline. There was discussion about applying for a grant again. In the past, the neighborhood has used the grants for outreach and neighborhood visibility. An update was given on the neighborhood sign caps.

Transportation Report: Anton Vetterlein gave an update on the SW 11th sidewalk project (between Gibbs and Gaines). PBOT is still working on the designs. Meter revenues and state funds will fund the project. Questions were raised about future development of properties along the street and whether the development fees for sidewalks will still apply.

Sam Jackson Park Rd is now open. The City of Portland will reinstall the speed bumps on Bancroft. It was brought up that some in the neighborhood would not like to see the speed bumps reinstalled. Phase two of traffic calming on Condor Ln is in process - we are waiting on the City for design plans. More information will be reported when available.

OHSU Liaison: LaToya Fick reported that with Sam Jackson Park Rd now open, OHSU will recommunicate that the preferred route to the hospital is Sam Jackson Rd. A map of the preferred route will be distributed as well.

VA Liaison: Eric Guess reported that the VA will also recommunicate that the preferred route to the hospital is Sam Jackson Rd. Work continues on the new VA parking structure, which is on schedule for completion April 2012. Concerns about lighting pollution from the garage were brought up and a request was made to see the design plans.

New Business

There was discussion about HNA co-sponsoring the Terwilliger Centennial Celebration, along with Friends of Terwilliger. A motion was made for HNA to co-sponsor, with Friends of Terwilliger, the Terwilliger Parkway Centennial Celebration, at no cost to HNA. Motion passed.

There will be a trail event on Sept 24th at the 12th and Gaines Trailhead. All are welcome. 25 students from Portland State will also be volunteering.

Alicia Colson volunteered to serve as secretary.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alicia Colson