

HAND Board Meeting 4/17/12

Meeting called to order at 7:00

Introductions

Crime Prevention: Update from Officers Gjovik and Yee

Announcements

- Fundraising is ongoing for the Piccolo Park water fountain, which are up to \$4,500 of the needed \$7,000.

1. Piccolo Park Fundraiser at Sunshine Tavern - April 17 -19

Community Issues

2. Portland Bike Share program by PBOT, Steve Hoyt-McBeth: flyers with info. Station locations will be chosen in 6-8 months and be brought to HAND. Request for proposals are due in May, vendor will be chosen this summer, and it will begin operating in 2013. Pdxbikeshare.com has more info, and a map to input suggestions for stations. Federal transportation funds are being used.

3. Safeway Good Neighbor Communication Plan, Mike: Neighbors and Safeway have met and agreed on wording. Linda has drafted a letter withdrawing HAND's objections to Safeway selling beer and wine since Safeway has resumed communication. There is not interest in expressing support of beer and wine sales. Motion by Sue to accept the GNCP as written, and Motion by Sue to approve the OLCC letter as presented. Amy seconds both Motions. First motion passes unanimously with 0 abstentions. Second motion passes unanimously with 0 abstentions. Flowers presented by Mike to Amy, Linda and Joanne in appreciation of their extensive support and expertise.

4. ONI Budget Cuts, Linda: Letter voicing support of preserving ONI's budget and making no further cuts which has been signed by many other neighborhoods and coalitions. The proposed cuts could include it's support for Resolution Northwest, which supported neighbors and HAND in working with Safeway. Motion by Linda for HAND to support the letter and advocate for no further cuts to ONI programs, second by Sue. Passes unanimously with 0 abstentions. Motion by Linda for HAND to write a letter (to be written by Linda) expressing how valuable HAND finds Resolutions Northwest. Second by Sue. Passes unanimously with 0 abstentions.

5. Clean Up, Bill: Vouchers have been received from the city. Volunteers are sought. A Community Warehouse driver will remove remaining swap section items. Alex will draft a waiver for volunteers.

6. Updates on Division, Linda: 82 unit apartment building is going on 37th Ave, and the former Wild Oats is also being remodeled for mixed housing and office space, and adding parking on the site. Reach may be rethinking the site at Ladd and Division. Work will begin at 42nd to narrow the road for pedestrian safety.

It might be beneficial to have a greater conversation about development within HAND, potentially as part of the May meeting.

8. Pocket Park possible new grant opportunity, Amy: Dr Myla Davenport (www.alterplaces.org) is interested in getting a national grant for \$50,000 to make a healing/natural space, which can also be used for community building. Amy proposes voting online for 19th Ave as a location for a bike share station, as mentioned above.

9. Central City 2035 Update, Amy: The group is continuing to meet to discuss the policy framework, and Amy and Linda are advocating for HAND. Let them know of concerns. They are hoping to have a draft to City Council this summer. At the last meeting, Mayor Adams presented a draft plan for what might be possible for the Eastside freeway, and his staff proposed a trench.

10. Portland and Comprehensive Plans, Linda: Possibly the final hearing on Portland Plan will be at City Hall tomorrow. Leah of SEUL has written a letter expressing support, but frustration that it has been behind schedule. Comprehensive Plan is convening committees, and meetings are open to the public.

11. Hawthorne Area Civic Ecology Project, Linda: Charettes will be on 5/19 and 6/7. A meeting is scheduled as Mayor Adams about the area being considered an EcoDistrict. Emails and website announcements are coming.

Board Issues

1. Plans for General Meeting in May: Conversation about vision for HAND in the future.