

HAND Board Meeting Minutes *September 17, 2013*

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| Sue Pearce [SP] | X | Bill Crawford [BC] | X |
| David Kaplan [DK] | X | Griffin Gonzalez [GG] | X |
| Joanne Stainbrook [JS] | X | MT Tillstrom [MT] | X |
| Linda Nettekoven [LK] | X | Paul Coleman [PC] | X |
| Patrick Vinograd [PV] | X | Liz Potter [LZ] | X |
| Justin Cloyd [JC] | | | |
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Attending:

Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood District Association (HAND)

Tuesday, *September 17 2013 7:00 PM*

St. Philip Neri Church Paulist Center, St Paul Room
2408 SE 16th Avenue (and Division)

LANDUSE: 6:30 PM

BOARD MEETING:

7:06 PM Call to order and Introductions

Introductions

PPB Neighborhood

- Officer Yee will not be available. We thought that a Sergeant would be but he/she did not show up.

TriMet Update

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Coral Egnew

Powell sinkhole at 8th Ave. 15 minutes before signals were turned on, the water main broke and created the sinkhole. This leaves 8th Ave closed. 11th and 12th are open along with 17th and the underpasses along Powell.

Still excavating the track alignment from OMSI heading east. Rail will be following once this alignment is set. Station area around Gideon is being formed.

Looking to demo the Brooklyn street overpass / pedestrian overpass in October. It is still an open question as to whether it can be re-introduced into the scope of the project. Currently it is not in scope to be returned. If they rebuild it would be ADA compliant. If it gets back on the list we would discuss where it would go (location) and what the design would be.

Q: Will there be crossing arms for pedestrian and other sidewalk users. A: This is a Union Pacific RR issue.

- It is noted that this is an issue for people going the opposite direction as auto traffic.
- Light signals to be in operation by Nov of 2013.

Dinosaur art is installed but has not been announced to be unveiled.

Quiet Zone from ORF/OMSI to the 11/12th crossings would remove the requirement for trains to blow horns at crossings. The train operator would be given the authority to blow the horn if needed and hopefully they will only do so in emergencies.

Portland Streetcar

Julie Gustafson

TriMet mobile ticketing – can now use smart phone to buy Tickets

- 2 apps (streetcar (annual and single ride—available now) & TriMet)

Oct 12 – 6-9 Streetcar mobile music fest – entire line

- All trains will have music at 6:30
- Special ticket for all night for 2 hour fare
- 17 minute frequency
- Off the rail guide – restaurant and business guides w/ map

Construction – full bus bridge b/c of streetcar and TriMet construction zone until Oct 20

- Streetcar on the new bridge
- Oct 20-23 full bus bridge in SE b/c of wire movement
- Once this is done most of the streetcar work will be in place

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- 3 cars in service – don't have to short the CL Line

Fare program for PSC

- Owned by city of Portland
- Followed TriMet system until mid-2012
- Fare equity between east and west side
- 1 dollar fare in place
- Need to gather input on fare increase to possibly \$1.50, \$2 or \$2.50
- Want to increase CL frequency to 15 min next year eventually to 14 min (now 18 min)
- PSU, OHSU, Legacy, Powells, Linefield College – employer ID serves as streetcar fare
- Slowly introduced increase in annual streetcar cost
- PSU raised their own fares and they sit on the board
- Hesitant to push people to use coins
- Fall 2015 the streetcar will cross the river

Feedback:

- Looking to how they couple implement efare process (2015 to 2017 before implemented)
- 9% of users who use streetcar only (5% tourists, 2% occasional, 2% don't know)
- Fare machines – most people board just north of HAND - Morrison / Stark/ Burnside are high performing areas.
- 5% of fare evasion is low across the nation
- Streetcar officer on the train (it decreased from 9% to 5%)
- Fare evasion citations is imminent.
- 8 Locations to buy packs of 10 (annual passes and books of 10)
- If they bump to 2.50 they anticipate losing 20-25% of their single trip ticket purchases.

Sept 30 Art event

Station Area Planning

- Updates from Linda
 - o What will the arrival of these stations mean for the neighborhood
 - Opportunities?
 - Risks?
 - Benefits?
 - What changes will come with these stations?
 - How can we involve neighborhood early and often?
 - o Early on, the city had no money and volunteer meetings
 - o Now the city has money and is holding meetings on the stations

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- o 9/18 here from 5-8
 - Summary meeting
 - Materials on planning bureau website
 - Up-zone a part of HAND?
 - Overlay zone
 - HAND is an area where zoning change can happen
 - Idea on the table: 13th to 16th to higher density residential
 - Current zone: general employment
 - South of the light rail between division and Powell
 - Currently mixed use?
 - Open question – what is the future of this district?
 - Industry oriented, residential, store front retail
- **Peter Finley**
 - o Planning with the city (central eastside) for 28 years
 - o Vice chair of land use and on Board of Directors
 - o Adopting the vision statement
 - o City wide master plan that affects everything
 - o Central city plan (done in 1988) is a component into the city wide planning
 - o Expand central city outside of downtown
 - o Planning as an ecological system
 - o Central eastside is an ecological system
 - o If urban renewal is the only focus then the inner eastside ecosystem could diminish
 - o It is the most dynamic industry in the region
 - o Many companies are evolving into national and international markets
 - o They are internal businesses
 - o Places to produce and move things out
 - o There are no borders anymore: sell and produce anywhere
 - o People are gathering more: rural is emptying and urban is growing
 - o Employment area has been a key focus in central eastside
 - o Current dynamic is explosive residential growth
 - o Industrial sanctuary
 - o Do we need residential sanctuary in HAND?
 - o Inner eastside industrial council
 - o Recycling effort in the center of the city
 - o Issues with the change in enterprises, esp with commercial with more transient businesses not respecting residents and resident needs
 - We may need to communicate better
 - How can we better get the conversation going?
 - o Parking issues with central eastside only goes to 12th
 - o We need to demonstrate what the central eastside is with zoning
 - o Very high ownership percentage

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- Buckman did an analysis – over 70%
- What is HAND?
- o We need to think about what process is needed as the changes happen
- o Industrial council is open
- o Land use committee is open
- o Urban design effort with PSU grad students
- o Future issue –
 - How do deal with cars?
 - Case study meetings in the future?

Partial Street Vacation@Gideon

Kathryn Krygier-- TriMet

- In order to make the project work they need a street vacation
- Odd shaped property 16'x (more than) 250'
- West of 13th place right away
- East of 13th place right away
- Storage containers are 20 feet wide
- Need to change city walkways from 12 feet to 11 feet
- Street vacation from private property owner (longer process)
- City to lead the process (shorter process)
- Phase 1 – 190 feet long
- Q: Possible to include the bridge into the project?
 - o Answer: Not likely due to the fact that the pedestrian bridge is not in scope at this time.
- Q: Will smaller sidewalk limit space for street trees?
 - o Answer, No.
- Q: How well do the containers hold up?
 - o Answer, they need paint.
- Q: We are told that these containers sweat?
 - o No answer.
- Early assistance meeting with City on 9/18
- No actions needed at this time from the HAND Board

HAND address

- Current address is on SE 7th Ave at the post office
- Change to SEUL mailing address
- No objections
 - o Mailing address has changed.

HAND Logo

- Paul and Sue will get together to discuss and work on the logo

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How we spend cash

- What do we do when people want a handout?
- Dave is willing to draft a policy for review that is tied to the priority list
- Linda and Dave will work together on this
 - o Marilee and others will send ideas to Linda and Dave
 - o Next meeting Dave will come with a draft policy

SE Examiner and SEUL News

SEUL Report

- Amanda Fritz reported that \$ 8.1 million is in the budget and it can only be spent in parks acquisition or upgrading
- Board of SEUL parks project committee
- Need reps from each neighborhood
- Ladd Circle, Pocket Park
 - o Looking for projects that can be completed
 - o Marilee would be open to being on the committee
 - o First meeting in October
- Message needs to be sent out to the community
- Communication funds changes are in effect starting on October 2013 through September 30, 2014.
 - o Paul, Bill and Dave to discuss the funds we have for communications

Treasury report:

- LN moves, WC seconds
- Treasury report approved
- Unanimous in favor

July Minutes:

- DK – need to spell Coral’s name correctly
- DK moves, PC seconds
- Unanimous in favor

Meeting Adjourned.