



Board Meeting, July 18, 2017

Board members present: Jon Adams, Tasha Danner, Jessica Engelman, Joanne Stainbrook, Thomas Eykamp, Claud Gilbert, Mark Linehan, Linda Nettekoven, Sue Pearce, Jill Riebesehl, Michelle Sprague, Marilee Tillstrom, Charlene Zaharakis. Also in attendance were Doug Allen, Philip Cox, Rex Fisher, Roger Geller, Kayla (?), Brenda Martin, Katy McKinney-Bock, Kevin Parrett, Sheila Parrott, Mark Sirois

Chairwoman Sue Pearce called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Division Transit Project: Brenda Martin of TriMet gave a progress update. Construction on the section of the project west of 82nd Avenue is set for 2018/2019, with service starting as early as the fall of 2020. Brenda listened to concerns and fielded questions for more than a half-hour ranging from problems of using Tilikum Crossing, the hang up at Eighth Avenue, construction disruption on Division, traffic signal coordination, need for more data backing up the project, frequency of service.

Electric buses: Doug Allen, representing the Association of Oregon Rail and Transit Advocates (AORTA), said his group is urging TriMet to use battery electric buses on the Division Street Project. Southeast Uplift (SEUL) is on the record in favor, and AORTA is asking the HAND board to sign onto SEUL's request and also make our own. Doug said TriMet is not interested in the electric-powered buses and will be making a bus-buying decision in February for the project. He said the transit agency insists the electric buses be up and running in the United States for at least a year before it would entertain the idea of purchasing them. That benchmark will not have been reached in time.

Linda moved that HAND endorse SEUL's letter and write our own as well. Tasha seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

SE Harrison/Lincoln Greenway: Sheila Parrott and Roger Geller of the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) presented the plan. PBOT has \$170,000 for the bikeway, which would include 31 speed bumps, four speed cushions and a speed limit of 20 mph, significantly to include a partial traffic diverter at 26th on Harrison. [E]-bound auto traffic would be allowed through the existing pinch point but [W]-bound traffic would be diverted onto [N] or [S]-bound 26th Ave. Various changes planned for the streets, from SE 12th to SE 60th, include bike buttons, a median barrier, a sharrows crossing and curb cuts. During question and answers, several attendees made suggestions. An open house is scheduled for October, date not yet determined.

Minutes: Joanne moved, Linda seconded accepting the minutes of the June 20 Board meeting and June 27 Executive/Rapid Response Committee meeting as well as the Treasurer's report via "consent agreement." Board approval was unanimous.

Portland's Transportation Systems Plan: Joanne moved, and Mark seconded that Chris Eykamp's third letter, with the first paragraph in italics, be sent out to meet a Friday deadline. Board approval was unanimous.

Other board business:

Plans were made for the July 22 Division-Clinton Business Association Street Fair and also HAND's annual ice-cream social in honor of National Night Out.

The ice-cream social will be August 1 in Piccolo Park. Mark moved, seconded by Linda, to make \$75 available for the event.

"O Brother Where Art Thou?" will be showing at Sewellcrest Park Aug. 26 as part of the Movies in the Park program.

The board retreat will be August 29. Seeking a location for the gathering.

Sue mentioned that there is room on the Oregon Rail Foundation board for a HAND representative if anyone is interested

Sue adjourned the meeting at 9:30.

Minutes submitted by Jill Riebesehl, board secretary



HOSFORD-ABERNETHY NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

HAND Executive Committee meeting July 25, 2017 Carvlin Hall

Attendees: Jon Adams, Mark Linehan, Claud Gilbert, Joanne Stainbrook, Michelle Sprague, Marilee Tillstrom, Sue Pearce, Linda Nettekoven, Juliana Lukasik, Ali Tranquilli, Kate Merrell, Jill Riebesehl

Sue opened the meeting at 7:07.

Juliana Lukasik of the Central Eastside Industrial Council was the guest of honor informing the neighborhood of the Central Eastside Industrial District's plan to establish an Enhanced Service District (ESD).

Currently such enhanced districts exist downtown and in the Lloyd District. A big difference: whereas those two are composed of only several stakeholders, in the CEID there are 2,000 businesses and hundreds of property owners.

With ESDs, businesses and residents (and building owners and managers) are assessed a fee (to be determined) to pay for services that enhance, not replace, what the city provides. The district sunsets every five years and the fee has an accelerator built into it. Juliana pointed out that the two other districts have always been renewed. Forming such a district requires the approval of about 68 percent of those in the CEID as computed in terms of property valuation.

The district would include such things as routine clean-up two to three times a year; increased security similar to downtown's; transportation management; transportation within the district (shuttle bus, other); parking/parking garages; sustainable management of homeless -- not just cleaning up encampments and shooing them somewhere else; workforce development; partnering with Central City Concern (part of management of homeless); and way-finding signs. The generated funds and services would stay in the Central Eastside Industrial District.

The plans are to work with neighborhoods to avoid pushing current CEID problems -- traffic, parking, homeless -- into the neighborhoods. Juliana's presentation is part of the outreach stage for the new district. When the plans are better formulated, CEIC will be asking for a letter of support from HAND.

The board then turned to hashing out items for the August and September board meetings, perhaps including a spokesman from Union Pacific RR, more on the Lincoln/Harrison Greenway, the new Portland Just Energy Initiative; response to the SW side of town's work on view corridors; emergency vehicle routes through the neighborhood; railroad safety.

The board also worked out details for the ice cream social, got a briefing from Jon on the Sept. 23rd cleanup, heard a report from Linda about possible available grants and talked about participating to some degree in a clean air initiative for the city.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45. (?)

These minutes written by Sue Pearce and Jill Riebesehl.

