



Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting minutes
March 16, 2021

In attendance: HAND board members Daniel Amoni, Bruce Bikle, Phil Cox, Chris Eykamp, Karen Girard, Mark Linehan, Kim Nurmi, Jill Riebesehl, Michelle Sprague, Michael Wade, Charlene Zaharakis

Neighbors and Catholic Charities/St. Philip Neri representatives David Arena John Arth, Ariel Chavarria, Anne Draper, Alejandra Favela, Rex Fisher, Gail Getz, Lyndi Haugen, Josie Kresner, Julia Metz, Linda Nettekoven, Sarah Peroutka, Liz Phillips, Travis Phillips, Jill Sherman, Douglas Taylor, Harold Treinen, Kim Zea

Chris opened the meeting at 7:09PM

Neighborhood issues:

Gail Gaetz described the difficulty in getting around the neighborhood due to the construction and the Clinton St. diverter. Kim Nurmi expressed alarm over an increase in crime and asked if the board is open to writing a letter asking for an increase in police funding. Charlene Zaharakis announced the GoFundMe page for Palio, Jacivas and Aprisa.

Railroad Subcommittee:

Chris gave an overview of the Railroad Subcommittee, it's members are HAND residents, Brooklyn residents and members of the CEIC (Central Eastside Industrial Council) board. Bill Burgel heads the Subcommittee and he is also a HAND resident. The UP (Union Pacific) trains block SE 8th and SE 11th&12th for long periods of time. The new automated switches have been installed in Brooklyn yards, but UP has started running longer trains some up to almost 2 miles long. Chris said the #70 diverting via 21st is trending up. Rex (HAND resident) stated he could assist Chris in obtaining information of how many times the Bus Line #70 is diverted from 11th and 12th due to the rail crossing(s) being blocked. Linda stated the Line #2 is also being diverted when the crossings are blocked. The Division Transit Project: Tri-Met has announced the #10 route changes from 20th to SE 7th via Division, then travels between Division and Hawthorne Blvd via SE 7th. If the rail intersections continue to be blocked, Bruce asked if the Line #10 will be diverted back to it's present Ladd Ave route? Michelle added the longer buses may not be able to navigate around the 2 tree circles on Ladd Ave.

Meeting with Commissioner Hardesty recap:

Chris said he feels multi-neighborhood forum meetings are working well, and upcoming meetings will be published on HAND Announce. Jill said Jo Ann relieved some NA worries about their future. She spoke about the neighborhood code project and the inter-departmental issues within the office of Portland's Community & Civic Life. Charlene commended the commissioner for taking time to speak with us after she had spent the day clarifying with the media that she had not been involved in a hit-and-run.

Linda said we need to continue the conversation with the commissioner in regard to Neighbor to Neighbor & Organization to Organization programs and mediation and Good Neighbor Agreements. Jo Ann spoke about houselessness issues and the Shelter-to-Housing Continuum Project, which calls for managed types of camps, with social services, to be dispersed around the city. <https://www.portland.gov/bps/s2hc/about-shelter-housing-continuum-project>

Catholic Charities proposed Development of St Philip Neri site:

Julia Metz and Travis Phillips of Catholic Charities gave a presentation about the campus design for affordable housing and St. Philip Neri parish uses. The planning is in the end of the feasibility stage and about to go into the development stage, which could take 24 months. There are still opportunities for Input and dialogue.

The site was rezoned to RM2 expanding opportunities for affordable housing projects across the city. The project has received conditionally approved funding for a portion of the effort but will need more financing. Catholic Charities is preparing to meet soon with the city on specific land use requirements, and funding decisions are expected by the summer or fall.

If funded, they will start the design process, which is still in flux. The rectory will be for Parish uses only. Proposed are 38 one-bedroom units and 12 two bedroom units. The Old church will have 13 one-bedroom units. A piazza between Carvlin Hall and the Heritage Tree. The current driveway will be realigned between 16th and Tamarack based on the Historic Ladd's Addition alley-way grid. Bicycle and pedestrian access from 17th at Division will be improved. The exterior of the buildings along Division will probably be stucco or brick. Planners will be asking for input.

Answers to Questions:

Cherry trees on Division will probably remain. A storm water mitigation plan will be created to replace the swale at 16th and Division. Community activities will help introduce residents from different backgrounds. PBOT will not allow cars and trucks to enter from the 17th and Division traffic light. The design will have some tenant parking spots. There will be an onsite manager. Discussions will include creating a Good Neighbor Agreement. Thirteen of the one bedroom units will be for residents whose income is 30% of area median income; the rest, 60% of median income.

General Meeting preparation:

Normally the General Meeting is held in May, suggested General Meeting Topics: Earthquake preparedness, Joint Office of Housing Services, OMSI project, ADU workshop, Nara, Multi Neighborhood Assn meeting about the Charter Review, we will decide at the April Board about the General Meeting.

Rapid Response Ratification:

Bruce moved the Board to ratify the Rapid Response Committee's approval of the letter regarding the Historic Review of 1984 Ladd Avenue. Karen seconded, vote: unanimous.

Treasurer's report and minutes:

Mark moved the Board approve the February Board Meeting & the Executive Meeting Minutes, February Treasurer's report and the March 8th Rapid Response Committee Meeting Minutes. Bruce seconded. Vote:unanimous.

Chris closed the meeting.

Notes taken by Michelle; forwarded by Jill