



Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood Association Board

HAND Board Meeting

February 20, 2024

Attendees:

Board Members: Bruce Bikle, Chris Eykamp, Karen Girard, Mark Linehan, Peggy McDaniel, Jill Riebesehl, Michelle Sprague.

Guests: Anne Draper, Vadim Mozyrsky, Linda Nettekoven, Elna Otto, Xavier D. Stickler, Barbara Stross, Karen Whitman

Chris opened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Introductions

Keller Auditorium - Karen Whitman (Halprin Landscape Conservancy), Xavier D. Stickler (Vice President of Downtown Neighborhood Association)

- City requested proposals for the redevelopment of Keller Auditorium. The city selected three proposals for detailed analysis. One is for rebuilding Keller Auditorium; two others are for new locations: 1 at a site near PSU (on Lincoln Street) and 1 at the Lloyd Center site.
- Karen Whitman (Halprin Landscape Conservancy) and Xavier D. Stickler (Downtown Neighborhood Association), and Anne Draper (member of both the Downtown Neighborhood Association and HAND) joined the meeting to share their endorsement of the proposal to rebuild Keller Auditorium.
- Karen Whitman and Xavier D. Stickler gave a presentation about the [proposal to rebuild Keller Auditorium](#). They are visiting neighborhood associations to share information and gather support.
- The city will make a decision about rebuilding the Keller, or selecting one of the new build options in spring or early summer 2024.

- The HAND board agreed to gather more information on the other proposals before indicating support for one option, with a goal of making a decision in the spring.

Colonel Summers Community Garden - Elna Otto

- Elna Otto with the Colonel Summers Community Garden described a project they are doing to finish constructing a trellis around the garden.
- Last season there were quite a few incidents in the garden with thefts and vandalism. Finishing the trellis will help discourage mischief in the garden.
- Estimate 10-15% of the gardeners come from HAND. Elna requested \$150 support from HAND for finishing the trellis (screws, bolts & wires).
- Mark made a motion that HAND contribute \$150 to Friends of Portland Community Gardens. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vadim Mozyrsky - candidate for Multnomah County District 1 Commissioner

- Running for Multnomah County District 1 Commissioner, votevadim.com
- County is responsible for housing, behavioral health, drug and alcohol services
- Questions from meeting attendees included:
 - Ambulance service
 - Building relationships and coalitions
 - Support for alcohol restrictions policies

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- Peggy recommends continuing to meet every two weeks to keep on top of issues.
- Feels that the site is doing a pretty good job working with people experiencing long-term homelessness.
- Michelle and Linda did a walk with PEMO to investigate sites that would benefit from improved lighting.

Avalon tiny homes update

- Mark reported that site prep has started at Avalon. They are working on putting in concrete piers and gravel for the pods.
- When the pods arrive, there will be a celebration.
- Aspirational schedule is to be open at the end of June.
- Avalon will have a neighborhood council with all adjacent neighbors. HAND has three seats on the neighborhood council. Mark Linehan and Linda Nettekoven are interested in being a part of the neighborhood council.

Proposed mural at 7-11 at 20th and Hawthorne

- Linda Nettekoven shared a draft letter of support from the HAND board indicating support for a mural at the 7-11 at 20th and Hawthorne.
- Mark made a motion that HAND should send a letter of support for the mural. Peggy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of January HAND Board minutes and treasury report

- Bruce moved to approve the January HAND Board minutes and treasury report. Jill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The next HAND Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for March 5th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Karen Girard