



## **Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood Association Board**

### **HAND Board Meeting**

**January 16, 2024**

#### **Attendees:**

Board Members: Bruce Bikle, Chris Eykamp, Nick Gilla, Karen Girard, Josie Kressner, Mark Linehan, Peggy McDaniel, Kim Nurmi, Jill Riebesehl, Michelle Sprague, Michael Wade.

Guests: Anne Draper, Meghan Moyer, Linda Nettekoven, Dennis Porter, Garet Voit

Nick Gilla agreed to chair the meeting since Chris was not feeling well. Nick opened the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

#### **Introductions**

#### **Approval of November HAND Board minutes and November and December treasury reports**

- Chris moved to approve the November HAND Board minutes and November and December treasury reports. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Meet Meghan Moyer, candidate for Multnomah County Commissioner in District 1**

- Candidate for Multnomah County Commissioner, District 1; [moyercampaign@gmail.com](mailto:moyercampaign@gmail.com)
- Currently the public policy director at Disability Rights Oregon; human services advocate; ran her own construction company
- Decided to run because she is nervous about compassion fatigue and some of the public policy proposals that have come up.
- Focused on creating a functional behavioral health system
- Questions from meeting attendees included:
  - County addressing the hold-up in getting funds out the door.
  - Accountability.
  - Building relationships and coalitions.

## **Keller Auditorium**

- City requested proposals for the redevelopment of Keller Auditorium. The county selected three proposals for detailed analysis. One is for rebuilding Keller Auditorium; two others are for new locations: 1 at a site near PSU and 1 at the Lloyd Center site. HAND will hear from a speaker in February about the Keller rebuilding proposal.

## **CTOC report about Clinton Triangle**

- The CTOC met today. Not a lot to report. Currently at 175 residents.
- Quite a bit of discussion about the Powell underpass. PEMO is taking this area on. None of the neighborhood funds will be used for this area. Will attempt to do a mural there to discourage graffiti. Will include landscaping. Lots of discussion about keeping the underpass open for pedestrians.
- Bob Stacey Bridge - north side elevator is working; south side elevator is supposed to be fixed in the next couple of days. Supposed to be a long-term fix.
- Police ride-alongs and walk-arounds with Urban Alchemy are available if community members are interested.

## **Avalon tiny homes update**

- In December, WeShine thought they were ready to go for Avalon. Somewhere along the way, there was a problem with JOHS funding not being confirmed. Now dealing with getting that straightened out. If JOHS does not fund this, not aware of other options at this time.
- WeShine thought they understood the cost for preparing the site, but the bid came in much higher than expected. Working on getting another estimate.
- First thing they will be doing to prepare the site is clearing the ground surface, installing a gravel layer, and digging the trenches. That will involve closing the parking lot. Got permission from St. Philip Neri to let neighbors use their parking lot for the 10 days that the site is being prepared.
- SEUL grant for mobile raised beds for Avalon.
- Next meeting Avalon meeting is in February.

## **Communications budget update**

In November, HAND approved a \$500 communications budget. In December, SEUL notified HAND that the budget will be \$750. The board discussed using the additional \$250 for community engagement and outreach.

### **New crosswalks on 11th and 12th**

- Notification from PBOT about new crosswalks on 11th and 12th.
- Pedestrian plan requires that intersections are daylighted (remove parking to ensure the crosswalk is visible).
- This is something that HAND has asked for in the past.

### **Discuss strategy for meeting with electoral candidates**

- HAND is getting a lot of requests from candidates for electoral office for an opportunity to speak at a HAND meeting.
- Discussed teaming up with other neighborhood associations and/or SEUL to host a candidate forum and helping people to understand the ranked choice voting system.

### **Holman Dock update**

- Prosper Portland was supposed to replace the dock, but spent the money. Portland Parks is not interested in replacing the dock.
- Advocacy for replacing the dock has stalled. Chris is looking into what advocacy energy remains.
- At one point, money was promised for a park near the water for HAND. Mark suggested leveraging the OMSI redevelopment process may be fruitful.

The next HAND Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for January 30th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

*Minutes submitted by Karen Girard*