

## **King Neighborhood Meeting 13 Aug 2014**

Alan Silver

Rich Newlands, Bureau of Transportation

Scott Breon, neighbor/Vacasa

Katie Watkins, Portland Playhouse

Eileen Kennedy

Ofc. Anthony Zoeller, PPB

Peter Kusyk (sp), Firenze Development Inc.

Margo Dobbertin, Chair

Troy Pickard, Public Defender

Justin Redd

Katy Asher, NECN

Nick LaRue

Diego Gioseffi

Jeff Scott

### **1. Introductions (6:37)**

- **Margo begins**

- i. Suggestion to modify agenda items :
  - Vote on Nick LaRue taking on the role as Secretary
  - Vote to move approval of previous minutes
- ii. Margo moves to vote on the agenda modification
  - Vote - 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, Motion Passes
- iii. Margo moves to Nominate Nick LaRue as Secretary
  - Jeff seconds
  - Vote - 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, Motion Passes

### **2. Discussion of Preliminary Plans on Development of property next to 2 Plum Park by Rick Kysyk**

- **Demolition of Existing House**

- Sub-divide property and build 2 attached homes

- Current zoned R2.5 (no change proposed for **zoning**)
- This is not a condo, it is a land division.
- **Eileen raised the point of wheelchair accessibility**
  - Issues with stairs, wheelchair accessible stairs
  - Peter discuss the options of the changes that can be made and different arrangements for multigenerational housing
- **Alan raises issues with the style of new homes being built in the area**
  - Garage below makes the stairs places the porch up high this is the opposite of lower porches and it can have an effect on ‘neighborly interactions’
- **Diego requests using native plants in the landscaping and Peter agreed to further discuss this as well as what type of tree to plant**
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### 3. N Williams Corridor Project – Rich Newlands

- **The Williams bike project will begin in September after 3 years of planning**
- **NE Rodney will be converted to a greenway as part of this project**
  - Speed bumps will be added ahead of the Williams Ave work to address resident concerns about cut through traffic
  - Questions were asked about NE Cook and N Vancouver bicycle/car traffic and the need for a signal. N Vancouver is not part of the Williams Corridor project
- **Questions about the N Williams project were raised and answered by Rich**
  - Car lanes will be reduced but capacity in this corridor is more about signal light timing than number of lanes
  - Safety is the goal of this project and slowing traffic down along with curb extensions and signage are the ways in which this will be created.
  - Bike lanes will remain open, but the single lane will happen quickly
  - Concerns were raised about the NE Alberta and NE Fremont visibility with the Rodney Greenway
  - Questions about diverters were raised and none are planned at this time, but NE Ivy and NE Rodney could be a candidate
  - Discussion about King neighborhood straddling MLK Blvd and the need for better crossing at NE Going as well as a strong opinion by NE King Residents to make improvements to NE 7<sup>th</sup> to create a more desirable bike way East of MLK Blvd

### 4. Short Term Rentals

- **Margo gives a brief introduction**
  - Short Term rentals (Air B&B, Vacasa, HomeAway, etc.)
  - Zoning issues
  - Recent history of these types of rentals in the context of the previous economic downturn.

- **Scott from Vacasa (Office located in King Neighborhood) adds more to the discussion and introduces Short Term Rental Business in the neighborhood**
  - Vacasa is more a vacation rental organization that hires maintenance crew, cleaner et, working with local ordinances and property owners to meet local codes and regulations
  - **Short term rentals were illegal at the state level until very recently**
  - **The city counsel has make small changes to allow this in Portland**
    - **\$180 permit**
    - **Inspection for CO2 & smoke alarm**
  - **Discussions about legality of renters subletting with short term rental organizations**
  - **Discussion about how this might impact Portland affordability of long term rental housing**

#### 5. Jambalaya Dinner

- **David talks about the Jambalaya Festival and ask for KNA support**
  - **The dinner raises money for Senior Meal assistance**
- **Alan suggests using neighborhood clean proceeds to sponsor**
  - Margo proposes \$250
  - Nick seconds
- **Vote - 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, Motion Passes**

#### 6. Thank you letter for Shoshana from KNA

- **Jeff passes around thank you letter draft**
  - i. **Margo motions to vote on sending the letter, Jeff seconds**
    - **Vote – 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain**

#### 7. Committee Updates

- **Land Use Committee**
  - **Notice of Development on Jessup between 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**
- **NECN Update**
  - Shoshana's departure has left an opening and the search for a new Executive Director is ongoing and committees will be formed to aid the search
- **Hollywood Star Article**
- **Green King**
  - Diego asks for help requesting food donations for September Depave event
- **KNA Strategic Planning**
  - Communication Budget and other budgets must be discussed and written up to meet NECN requirements
- **Affordable Housing workgroup meets 9/3 @ 6:00 pm At NECN headquarters**

- Eileen would like to send Safeway a thank you letter as well as a summary from their attendance at the July meeting

## 8. Adjourn