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### King Neighborhood Meeting Notes - February, 2015 (6:30 – 8:30 pm)

#### Neighbors in Attendance:

Margaret O'Hartigan  
Mary Tompkins  
Anthony Zoeller  
Sean Southern  
Kim Moreland  
Tori Dunlap  
Evan Heidimann  
Roberta Phillip-Robbin  
Alan Silver  
Scott Leuning  
Michelle Elmquist  
Gabriella Frask  
Phillip Bream  
Dick Tilled  
Sara Mojes  
Andrew Colas

#### Board Members in Attendance:

Matt Anderson  
Nick LaRue  
Diego Gioseffi  
Eileen Kennedy  
Leigh Rappaport  
Blair Ottoboni  
Andrew Neerman

#### 6:30: Introductions / Approve agenda and minutes

Matt makes motion to approve agenda. Eileen seconds, Unanimous voting

6:35: Approve January Minutes

Blair makes a motion to approve the January minutes

Matt seconds, 6 Yes, Nick Abstains

6:35 - Eileen nominates Nick LaRue to be the Chair of the grievance committee, Diego seconds.  
Unanimously Passes.

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### **6:35 - Andrew's letter on NE 7th Greenway:**

Andrew passes out the letter and talks about turning 7th into a neighborhood greenway, which will bring more bikes into NE. The city is looking at 7th and 9th. Meeting will be in mid-march. The letter is in favor of 7th being a greenway. This is very early on in the process. It's meant to be a safe pathway for bikes and cars. This letter clearly gives preference for 7th over 9th. Eliot and Irvington has already come out in favor of 7th.

Nick closes discussion on the conversation.

Diego motions to approve the letter, Nick seconds. 6 Yes, 1 No, Leigh

### **6:45 - Grievance Letter:**

Diego makes motion to approve the response for the letters from Margaret O'Hartigan. The grievance is invalid, as this was posted online on time, although he says that we need to keep vigilant on posting notice of meetings with at least one week in advance, as we want more neighbors to get involved in KNA.

Eileen seconds. Nick decides to set aside this conversation for the committee. There is a committee that meets. Diego encourages people to come. Diego drops the motion.

### **6:45 - Derwin Cunningham's appointment to at large #2:**

Eileen makes a motion for Derwin to join the KNA as the At-Large #2 member. Diego seconds. Passes - 13 people vote yes.

**6:50 - Roberta Philip Robins**, who is running for a state representative, talks about her state rep seat. She is in the Eliot neighborhood, and emerge Oregon alumni. Please visit [robertaforeoregon.com](http://robertaforeoregon.com) for more information.

### **7:00 - Participatory mapping:**

Officer Zoeller talks about how the Police has responded to the shooting and therefore they started looking at what King neighbors wants; they sent a mapping survey to the neighbors. They would like to figure out what to do to address the concerns. Shawn discusses the results of the study; he works in crime analysis unit. They mailed the letter in November. About 400 people took the survey. They used about 300 of them and released the findings of the survey. It is posted on the KNA Blog. They are looking for events to find more people to take the survey.

Key findings are gun crimes and gang activity. A solution may be increased foot control. Another concern is nighttime safety. They have reached out to groups like 1145 in response to the concerns.

Traffic is also a concern. They explored traffic calming with PBOT, and they will identify key people for a walk through of the area. (Such as the principle at King School and St. Andrews)

Another thing they are doing is the separate link within the survey to follow up via email directly.

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Alan from NECN says that only 11 people of color took the survey and the information is unacceptable according to the NECN. The NECN has deep concerns that the findings can be used to guide police efforts in the future.

Diego has asked about other ways of community outreach, as surveys are not enough.

Shawn says Loretta is looking for churches that may be interested in becoming a partner.

Officer Zoeller says they have posted on [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com), and had a meeting at Elevated coffee. He felt there was a good response and the concerns were about homeless issues, and specific concerns related to delimitated houses (run down, lots of cars). They are open to get more people to give them feedback.

### **7:10 – Tree Inventory**

Maureen makes announcement about tree inventory: They did this last Spring in King and Sabin. They have completed the survey. They checked ages, types, planting strip, etc. It gave a sense of how to transition from inventory to creating a team to do education and research about tree health and other things. They will also do a tree history walks. The book is online at the Urban Forestry website. They are looking for more diversity with the trees. They have monthly meetings at Whole Foods on the First Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

7:20 - Diego talks about Green King Community Involvement and the gathering tomorrow night. Green King has been working for a few years to improve the area, community outreach and school garden. Last year they did a presentation for the Timbers who fund soccer courts and were selected for this year. However, the process takes a long time. Right now, they are in a more advanced phase for the next steps. This is the most important part because its gathering information. The tennis courts have not been used for decades. We can accept the proposal and create soccer fields or wait for funding somewhere else to rebuild the tennis courts.

### **7:30 - Sewer project**

Shivon O'Leary explains that the city is repairing the older sewers. She explains the map, which reflects the three projects. They will be reducing the number of sewers that will need to be repaired. A concern is non-conforming sewers. This may be an issue for the resident, but only when there is repair work on the street. Another newsletter will be sent in the future. The project will last about a year once it starts. There may be delays, parking issues and traffic detours.

### **7:40 - NECN conversation:**

Alan is the board president of the NECN. Each neighborhood association gets to submit 2 reps of the board and the KNA currently has none. A rep would represent King Neighborhood to the NECN and back. They have board meetings every month on the third Tuesday of each month. Alan encourages the KNA to consider it.

### **7:50 - PDC Update on Vanport:**

Philip Brown from Mackenzie will be making a presentation. They have submitted building permits to the city, and they may have the permits in April. They will keep the alley, it will be 2

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ways. They said a lot of people have asked to keep cars out of the street. If their new variance is denied, the project won't happen. Leigh was never informed that there was a variance.

PDC still owns the property. They can answer questions directly and have meetings

### **8:00 Association Business**

Treasure's Report - nothing to report.

Land Use - Leigh. A new developer has bought a parcel on Jessup and would like to involve the neighborhood. Leigh will set up a neighborhood get together.

Spring Clean Up - Matt says the date is Sat April 23rd. The Spring Clean up is a way for neighbors to get rid of junk. They rent out a large bin. The event will be in the parking lot of King School. Matt would like volunteers to help.

NECN Report - NECN sent back a report from NECN on Grievances.

Communications - Blaire will hold a meeting in the future to talk what the King Neighborhood could do this year.

By-Laws - Matt makes a motion to create a working group. Leigh seconds. 6 yes.

Grievances - Nick is trying to work through the grievances from Margaret O'Hartigan. KNA is receiving an average of one grievance per month from the same person, and this is taking lots of time from members of KNA, NECN and ONI. Diego says that in the last minutes it appears that we only elected the Chair of the Grievance Committee and that we should appoint the committee members. Nick makes a motion to nominate Diego Gioseffi and Renee Corbin as members of the Grievance Committee. Matt seconds. Passes unanimously. Nick talks about the KNA bylaws requirement to have an open hearing for the grievance. He plans to have a hearing on March.

### **8:40 Adjourn**