

North Beacon Hill Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 3, 2012

7:00 PM, Beacon Hill Library Community Room

Jefferson Golf Course Clubhouse.

Susanne Rockwell, the Parks program coordinator for the Jefferson Golf Course improvements project, presented an update of the project. The Parks interpretation of the design history of Jefferson Park is that the Park, including the golf course is not an Olmstead Park. Susanne discussed the project in relation to the 2008 Golf Master Plan. Funding for work provided by golf revenue. Golf master Plan recommended replacement of current clubhouse with new clubhouse and 2-story driving range.

The clubhouse was submitted for landmark preservation and was not approved for consideration of landmark status.

Additional parking on the short 9 is not currently funded, but will be included as a bid alternate during the contracting process in case funding is found or bids are low.

Driving range changes include adding the second level, using glass walls, and changing the lighting to be less intrusive. Potentially taller poles may require a permit variance. Nets may be extended higher.

Project expected to be contracted early summer, with a 1-year construction period. Course will operate during construction, but range may have temporary closures.

Station Block Development

Andrea Leuschke, a landscape architect from Pacific Housing NW provided an update for the development project proposed for the southeast corner of the station block. The planning is fluid due to the upcoming zoning changes, but the current proposal calls for roughly 50 units of studio, 1-br, and 2-br units. A variance was requested to move curb out to build a storm water swale, which was rejected by SDOT. Limited parking is planned underground, with access through the alley. Several attendees expressed concerns about using the alley for accessing parking. The design is at an early stage, but the current schedule calls for a mid-june posting of the MUP board.

Announcements.

Marianna Quarnstrom announced that a homeless youth count is coming up on May 16. Also, May 7 is the date for the decision on the late night initiative.

Jefferson Park Jubilee – The grand opening of Jefferson Park is planned for July 14. Hours uncertain, but there will be music, games, etc.

El Centro development – Kate Gill de la Garza from El Centro's development group presented more information on the planned development process. Currently they are looking at financing options for the project. An RFQ went out for architects and the

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finalists will be asked to attend an open house where concepts will be presented. A meeting is planned for April 28.

Mark Holland announced that Seattle Friends of Olmstead was approached about the golf clubhouse project. They agreed to write a letter to Parks expressing disappointment in the current design. The GDDC also agreed to write a letter asking Parks to save the existing clubhouse building.

The GDDC recommended three Beacon Hill projects for funding: a trail within the Jose Rizal off-leash area; a crossing at Lafayette and Spokane; and installing several curb ramps across the neighborhood.

Parks Folk Club at Garden Club will be moving to Sunday nights on April 1.

Festival Street Committee – Insurance is being obtained for 12 events during the year. There will be three Beacon Rocks events. Other events are being sought. The fee is \$50/event

Rocket Community Arts – There will be a Garden House Club Benefit swing dance on May 12.

Beacon Merchants – Beacon Boogie on June 9

Parks Opportunity Fund – There will be a 2012/2013 Opportunity fund technical workshop on May 3.

Beacon Hill Garden Club will be holding gardening demonstrations at El Centro starting in June.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Warren paid the insurance fee of \$390 because it was due. A motion was made to approve the payment. The motion was seconded, and approved by the board.

The board discussed the insurance for the Jefferson Park Jubilee. No alcohol will be allowed at the Jubilee. A motion was made to cover the Jubilee using the existing insurance policy, if possible. A point was made that the permit for the event will cover the maximum potential time, including Friday through Sunday for setup and tear-down. The motion was amended to cover the Jubilee only if there are no additional costs, and to reconvene on the issue if there are extra costs. Judith amended the motion to support only if hours are up to 7pm, but withdrew the amendment. The motion was seconded and approved.

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Additional insurance issues were discussed by the Board. Robert Hinrix paid insurance for office. A motion was made to cover Robert's insurance expense that has already been paid. The motion was seconded and approved, with Robert abstaining.

The Executive Committee adjourned.