

North Beacon Hill Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 2, 2012

7:00 PM, Beacon Hill Library Community Room

Introductions and Department of Neighborhoods Update.

Chair Melissa introduced the Council meeting by stating that issues voted on by the general Council membership will be reviewed by the Board following the meeting for final approval. Melissa promoted the use of Roberto Maestas Festival Street for events; \$50 fee for use.

Steve Louis gave a DON update. Small and Simple grant applications due October 8. The large project fund is the Bridging the Gap Grant, and applications are due December 17. Mayor following up with voluntary ban of single alcohol containers. Steve wants any examples of non-compliance.

Public Safety Update.

Lt. John Hayes from the South Precinct discussed some public safety issues. There is a meeting coming up regarding the Mayor's Safe Communities program. The meeting is on October 29 from 7-9 at South Shore Middle School. Issues to be addressed include: top concerns about crime; what can be done to create safer community; what is going well between community and SPD; what needs to improve; what steps to take to stay engaged.

Lt. Hayes feels that neighborhood walks would help with crime. SPD also coordinates living room meetings through their Community Outreach section. An officer will come and talk with a group at someone's house.

Pacific Hospital Preservation and Development Authority (PDA).

Roseanna Aragon, the Executive Director of the Pacific Hospital PDA discussed plans for the Pac Med building. Write Runstad had their lease terminated recently and the search is on for a tenant. The PDA will continue to maintain the building and grounds while they are looking for a tenant. They don't expect that a residential use is feasible and are looking for a single anchor tenant similar to Amazon.

El Centro Development

Kate Gill de la Garza presented an update on the El Centro redevelopment project. El Centro will be holding a focus group with local merchants and hold another community meeting. El Centro received a \$500,000 grant from State for design and outreach. Likely start construction in spring 2014, with about a year and a half of construction.

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FAA Flight Plans Meeting

The FAA would not extend the comment period for Greener Skies proposal. Task force trying to arrange for new meeting about FAA flight plans. Task force asking for additional noise meters. Circulating petition to be submitted at upcoming meeting.

Announcements.

Garden Club – Concert at Garden House concert on Sunday October 7. Also an ongoing series of blues concerts will be held in October.

Beacon Hill Merchants Association – Working on a revitalization plan for commercial district. Meeting will be held on Friday November 16 from 10:30 to 3 for strategizing on revitalization. Merchants Association supporting another Beacon Boogie – The Beacon Boogie block party will be held on Saturday October 27 from 5 to 9pm. Four bands will play in four bars.

Century Link Internet Meeting – Century Link is looking for residents who would be willing to host an internet connection box to test connection speeds and connectivity in Seattle.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive committee discussed the need to finish the IRS 1023 forms. A motion was made to follow up on 1023 form process and find out by the end of October what the progress is on form. The motion was seconded and approved.

The executive committee discussed the potential addition of Erik Stanford as a board member. Erik gave a presentation of his background and involvement in community issues. A motion was made to nominate Erik as a board member. The motion was tabled to determine if Erik lives within the Council boundaries.

The Executive Committee adjourned.