Minutes: Biannual Neighborhood Meeting and Election

Meeting Day, Date & Time: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 7:00p.m.

New Business:

Chris Tanner - Greetings and welcome. Tonight’s meeting will consist of elections, a brief announcement and two presentations. We’ll start with the announcement from Myra Lavenue. Myra Lavenue: Here on behalf of the Sullivan’s Gulch NET – Neighborhood Emergency Team. The team has prepared a survey to assess neighborhood readiness (to respond to emergencies) and to alert the Emergency team to potential hazards and special needs in the neighborhood. The Survey will take 5 minutes and can be access via the website or this link: http://tinyurl.com/gulchsurvey

Chris Tanner - Elections: The board is changing to an annual schedule of elections. To adjust to this schedule four current board members are running early for re-election after 1.5 year terms. One is up for re-election after a full two-year term. These five running for re-election are already listed on ballot. It is possible for the board to have 19 members and there are 14 people currently serving on the board. Up to 9 seats are available in this election.

Nominations: Kelly Francois, Miles Crumley nominated themselves. Linda McDowell and Ron Boucher were nominated. Michelle Johnson moved to close nominations. John Frewing seconded. Nominations were closed.

Candidate Statements

Kathy Hansen: Currently serves on the Land Use and Transportation Committee
Dave Brook: Currently serves on the Communication’s Committee
Michael Brown: Currently Treasurer and feels it is important to focus on local politics.
Jack Frewing: Chair of Tree Committee and also serves as liaison to Sullivan’s Gulch Trail
Chris Tanner: Current Chair and also active in the Neighborhood Emergency Team.
Kelly Francois: President of a Condo Homeowners’ Association on 17th. Has lived in Sullivan’s Gulch for 2.5 years and has a focus on inclusion.
Miles Crumley: 13 year resident in Portland who has lived in Sullivan’s Gulch since May. Is a former tri-met employee and would like to improve bus service.
Linda McDowell: Previous board member. Lives at Weidler Commons. Has concerns with development and is involved in the the community garden.
Ron: Has lived in Sullivan’s Gulch for two years, is retired, loves it here.

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Chris Tanner: Write in candidate names and check the box next to the name to vote.

Rich Newlands - PBOT 20s bikeway project:
The 20s bikeway project is a nine-mile series of roadways – connecting Concordia to the Springwater Trail. It is a federally funded project. The route plan was completed in 2014. Getting across Broadway was big barrier on the route and needed a signalized intersection. The original plan was to go North-South on 28th, crossing Broadway at 28th, but 28th too narrow at Halsey. Now route jogs west at Wasco to 26th and then goes North. 26th is a better connection to the Alameda ridge. 30th Ave at Glisan street to have new crossing. Also Burnside and a better crossing at 29th and Belmont. Hawthorne will have a Hawk signal andt there will be a new signal at Powell. Hawk signals will have weight sensor for bikes as well as pedestrian button. Timeline? Original timeline, planned for completion in late January. It is now slipping to late-March/April because of wet weather leading to construction delays.
Linda McDowell raised concerns with the 21st street crossing and traffic interaction with Sunshine Dairy trucks. Also would like key to new bike and traffic signs.
Rich Newlands: Sheila Parrot is the project manager for the 21st St. crossing and can be reached at Sheila.Parrot@portlandoregon.gov for input.

Question: Are speedbumps going on to Multnomah as well as 26th.
Rich Newlands: No, insufficient funds to add them to Multnomah in addition to painting sharrows.

Sullivan’s Gulch Development Update - DJ Heffernan, Chair of Land Use and Transportation Committee (LUTC):

Summary of LUTC activities. Committee consists of: DJ Heffernan, Committee Chair, Resident; Connie Cleaton, Resident; John Frewing, Board member; Dave and Debra Galaty, Residents; Kathy Hansen, Board member; Julie Hoffinger, Board member; Bob Leopold, Resident; Andrea Meyer, Board member; Daniel Pirofsky, Board member; Martin Rowe, Board member.

The Committee works with three broad categories of activity: Current and Future Development projects, City Planning, Transportation projects.
• Current development: 14th Multnomah, 21st Multnomah, 22nd Weidler, 28th Halsey, Holiday Park Plaza;
• Planned projects: Lloyd Cinema Phase II, Sears Parking Lot, Grant Park Village – Phase II, 21st and Multnomah (bakery).
• Planning projects for regulatory reform: Portland Plan update, Residential Infill and Redevelopment, Building Height Step-down for SG.
• Transportation Projects: 21st and 26th Avenue bike/pedestrian projects; Sullivan’s Gulch bike/pedestrian bridge over I-84 (9th St); River to Gorge Trail – Sullivan’s Gulch segment (design); MAX station? (NE 28th).
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- Longer Term Projects: City of PDX Multi-Family Zoning review: Density, Parking, Design Guidelines. Sullivan’s Gulch Neighborhood Plan (dated 1987, needs update) – Urban Design/Open Space; Housing; Transportation; Climate Change
- LUTC meets 4th Thursday 6:30-8:00pm Holiday Park Plaza Community Room.

Election Results: All elected.

Final Announcements?
- Britt Allen introduced self and wife, owners of Irvington Farmers’ Market.

**Concluding Comments from Chair:** Welcome to new board members and thanks to all for coming out.