

**PRCC Board Meeting  
Phinney Community Center  
December 3, 2013 Minutes**

**Called to order 7:30 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:** Ted Holden (President), Corey Satten, Angela Marshall, Irene Wall (Treasurer), Craig Fryhle, Mark Phillips, Alice Poggi, Ron Siegle, Carolyn Lee **Others:** Ted Inkley

**New Business:** Ted Inkley, Phinney Ridge resident since 1985 raised the issue of the new City Council Districts and how our District #6 could possibly form a 'confederation' of Community Councils within the District to help shape platforms and issues important to the residents of this District. Prospective City Council candidates for District #6 would benefit from a list of issues important to folks in the district and be held accountable to these same folks for pressing these issues in Council. Corey mentioned that there already was a NW District Council that could possibly serve the function of a new confederation of community councils. This problem here is that the current NW District Council encompasses an area with different Boundaries as the new City Council District #6. Irene, PCRR's NW District Council Representative said the at the next NW District council meeting they would be discussing this very issue and invited Ted Inkley to attend. Ted Inkley said he would look into the mission and makeup of the NW District Council to see if that body met the needs he is seeking. If not, he will contact other Community Councils in District #6 to see if a 'confederation', is something that would be desirable. This issue should be revisited at the January PRCC meeting on January 6, 2014.

**Old Business:**

**Bus stops on 50<sup>th</sup> and Aurora** – Meeting was postponed indefinitely. Laura Lockhard, WPZ's new Director, Communications and Public Affairs wants to familiarize herself with this issue before a meeting with Metro, SDOT community representatives and WPZ is scheduled.

**Building updates:**

- 5555 Phinney Townhomes/SF Homes project – no new information
- Old Orowheat Property at 70th & Greenwood – The Contaminated Soil Remediation report was sent to Board members with the draft agenda. It is not know what type or scale of development will occur on this property given the current zoning. It seems the clean-up is an action taken solely by the current owner in preparation of sale and development. No other new information is known.
- 68th and Greenwood, 4 story mixed use development – A flyer announcing a project Design Guidance Meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.at Ballard Community Center was sent as an attachment to Board members with the draft agenda. Board members are encouraged to attend to find out more about the 4 story, 39-46 unit, 15 below grade parking spaces development.
- 63rd and Linden - Irene and Ted attended the last Urban Forest Commission concerning the removal of trees on this property designated to remain as has been the case in several other developments in the neighborhood. This Commission will ask the city Attorney to attend their next meeting to hopefully get 'more teeth' in the Tree Ordinance and make DPD do a better and more thorough job during site inspections on new projects. Having limited time is not an excuse for overlooking the fact that trees designated to remain have been removed or that site features shown on the survey are really not in the location shown.

- Phinneywood Park Site – The property is currently land banked, but the site tenants are scheduled to vacate early in 2014. Bill Farmer a community member has suggested PRCC along with Greenwood community council and other interested community members explore applying for a Small and simple NMF Grant to do a preliminary/schematic site design. If approved by DPR, this would go a long way in assuring the community gets a park that meets their needs. Ted will contact GCC to see about setting up a meeting.
- 59th & Phinney Park Play Area – The project has been bid and a contractor chosen. The project shall commence with site mobilization and demolition after the first of the year. Construction will take place in winter/early spring 2014 with completion in early summer.

**Streets and Traffic Committee Report** – John Bito was not present to present any new information. However PRCC has sent a letter to Captain Nolan, Unit Commander SPD Traffic Section pointing out traffic problems and concerns of neighbors in the community. The letter also offered suggestions to help remedy problems.

**Disaster Preparedness HUB** - HUBS are center for communications from all the emergency agencies. HUBS are being formed everywhere, citywide, statewide and nationwide, Ballard has several and Greenwood is forming. The City supports the formation of HUBS thru the Office of Emergency Management in the Police Department. The last meeting for HUBS on Phinney Ridge was attended by Ted and Alice. Ted will be working with Ruth McDonald, PNA to apply for a Small and Simple NMF Grant to purchase materials, and supplies (Ham radios, tents, generators, communication materials) for two HUB locations on Phinney Ridge. One HUB would be located at PNA and the other at a yet to be determined location closer to 50<sup>th</sup> and Phinney, St. John's Lutheran Church or the Spanish War Memorial Garden were two locations discussed. Other PRCC Board Members are encouraged to get involved.

**WPZ WildLights Update** – PRCC needs to obtain and post to our web site the contact information of a WPZ representative who is available during the hours WildLights is taking place for any problems that take place. Other than this, WildLights this year has remedied several problems experienced by the community last year. In an email from WPZ, these are some of the things they have done:

- This year WildLights will have less days, 36 versus 42.
- Free parking, EVERY night (last year it was only weekdays)
- Member and corporate discounts Sunday - Wednesday. Since they no longer have weekday-only free parking or weekday only rack card discounts for WildLights to drive attendance on weekdays, these two new discounts will help distribute attendance more evenly through the week.
- Emerald City Trolley - this is an upgrade from school buses, making parking in the South Lot a bit more fun and a more viable option for their guests.
- North Parking Lot lighting - they've eliminated the generator and high intensity light, and replaced with LED lights in the trees at the North Parking Lot. This is still a work in progress.

**WPZ Parking Lot Expansion** – The City Council Parks Committee will meeting Thursday, 12/05/2013 at 9:30 to discuss and forward an Ordinance to full Council to approve funding \$2M for this project. Irene has drafted a letter to this committee, copying the full Council with reasons they should not approve this ordinance. A majority of PRCC Board members at this meeting voted to send this letter as an official PRCC document.

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.**  
**The next meeting shall be 01/06/2014.**