

PHINNEY RIDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday September 2, 2014 7 pm

@ Phinney Neighborhood Center

OLD BUSINESS

The meeting commenced at 7:12 p.m.

Present: Diane Duthweiler, Craig Fryhle, Duncan Griffin, Carolyn Lee, Alice Poggi, Ron Siegle, Irene Wall.

Visitors: Ted Inkley, Mike Veitenhans, Jacqueline Sorgen.

Absent: John Bito, Angela Marshall, Mark Phillips, Mary Lou Reslock, Jan Satterthwaite, and Susan Wagner.

1. **Meeting minutes**

Minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted via email.

2. **Treasurer report**

No change to the bank report. The Secretary of State information on new officers has updated.

3. **Board Vacancies**

Ted Inkley, a long time neighborhood member was nominated to the vacant board position and elected unanimously.

4. **Election results** -Metropolitan Park District election

The **Metropolitan Park District** passed and Citizen Oversight Committee of seven members will be formed, one person from each Neighborhood Council District. These positions will be appointed by the Mayor. There will also be four Park Board members and four additional members from the community. The Mayor will appoint the chair. *Postscript: see PRCC website for official application .*

5. **Special committee reports**

* Land Use

Discussion focused on how the neighborhoods concerns are introduced rather late in the process making it time and cost consuming for developers and missing relevant input from the neighborhood. And it is also questionable if the Comprehensive Plan concerns addressed through the Design Review Process. A better Design Review Process would inform developer of impacts and priorities as early as in the Design Guidance process. A small group meeting is scheduled for Sat Sept 6 at Fresh Flours.

* Project Updates /Dept of Ecology site

N 70th and Greenwood (Orowheat property) : Site is currently tested for completion of cleanup. Long term intention may is to sell property for development. *Postscript: property zoned for NC2 40, Residential Urban Village, purchased by current owners in 1992*

6. NW District Council-

Meetings cancelled July and Aug. The next meeting is Sept 24 at the Greenwood Senior Center Alice P. will attend and Ron S will attend and Diane D will also attend if available.

7. City Neighborhood Committee (CNC)

There was no August meeting but the CNC sent a letter to the City Council and Mayor's Office regarding the Neighborhood Minimum Density Limits want this part of the Design Review.

It was noted that a couple of Apodments are going in near 85th and Greenwood.

8. Upcoming public meetings & events

* Notices of all upcoming meetings will be sent out to the Board.

NEW BUSINESSS

1. Election Forum

A neighbor/real estate agent is interested in working on this project with us on this and she has experience in hosting forums. Previous forums have taken place at TapRoot Theater and St. John United Lutheran church. Since ballots go out October 17th, many organizational decisions must be made regarding site, issues, moderating, etc. well in advance of that. Diane will follow up with her and Greenwood Community Council .

2. Website revisions

We are adding a Links tab to the site for information and resources

- * Community & Neighborhood Councils
- * Personal Safety and Health: Community Services; King Co Elections: nearly complete
- * Land Use/ Development Tools for Action; Construction Permits; in progress, etc.

There was discussion about needing to update calendar and reformat web site with volunteer assistance. A website class is being offered thru PNA as well.

3. Boundary Report

PRCC's southern boundary is shown going to N 46th Street but Fremont shows their boundary reaches to N 50th Street.

PRCC shows our western boundaries are to 8th Avenue NW but East Ballard shows their boundary reaches up to 3rd Avenue NW

In checking with the Dept of Neighborhoods, the boundaries are fluid and there is no relevant consequence since each department has its boundaries and the City Council Districts have yet different boundaries.

4. Other Issues

- * Rob Fellow, Greenwood Community Council s is forming a “Study Group” to study and discuss Land Use, Transportation, Sidewalks, Community Engagement,, etc. The next meeting is scheduled for September 15th.
- * Plant for the Planet/Free tree project by Duncan’s daughter’s school- referred to City’s free tree project for assistance with distribution .
- * Solar parking lots- discussed without action. Referred to research solar freeways topic developed in Idaho.

NEXT MEETING Tuesday October 7, 2014 7pm

Guest Speaker: Tom Whittemore, Dept of Neighborhoods NW District Coordinator