

PHINNEY RIDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGENDA MINUTES draft

Tuesday October 7, 2014 7 pm @ Phinney Neighborhood Center

<http://www.phinneyridgecc.org/>

The meeting commenced at 7:12 p.m.

Present: Diane Duthweiler, Craig Fryhle, Duncan Griffin, Carolyn Lee, Alice Poggi, Ron Siegle, Irene Wall, Mary Lou Reslock, Ted Inkley, John Bito, Terry Cook

Absent: Angela Marshall, Mark Phillips, Jan Satterthwaite, and Susan Wagner

Visitors: Pat Carroll-Crippen, Ron Lewis, Bill Farmer

GUEST SPEAKER Tom Whittemore, Dept of Neighborhoods Northwest District Coordinator

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1. The Northwest District is one of 13 districts in the city that bring community groups together by area. Community groups can define their own boundaries and overlap with each other. The Department of Neighborhoods provides coordinators to be a resource to the councils. Information about our district can be found at seattle.gov/neighborhoods/districts/northwest.htm
2. Other City departments have divided their service areas by their own needs and they do not correspond with each other nor the new Council Districts.
3. Next year the City Council will have seven districts each having a representative plus two at large members. The filing deadline is in May and final elections in November. We are in District 6, shown on the map at seattle.gov/cityclerk/municipal-code-and-city-charter/district-elections-map. With the City Council Districts boundaries being different, the question is raised on how Department of Neighborhoods and other departments should be organized for citizen accountability.
4. The Mayor's proposed budget has some changes currently being reviewed in public hearings being held by the City Council. There are also changes being proposed for the Dept of Neighborhoods.
5. Design Review process of projects was discussed. There is currently an opening on the board. Some experience with building or development is necessary to get on the board. The city staff contact person is lisa.rutzick@seattle.gov
6. The City Council will be addressing a Neighborhood Conservation District Study in spring 2015. Pike and Pine district is already in place. University Place and Georgetown are now being considered Staff contact: lish.whitson@seattle.gov

OLD BUSINESS

1. Meeting minutes The draft minutes were previously distributed via email and were Approved.

2. Treasurer report- No new information.

3. Metropolitan Park District Citizens Oversight Committee - Applications due Oct 27, details on PRCC website. Citizen Committee members selected from each City Council District (verified by Bill Farmer). There was a brief discussion as to whether or not it was worthwhile to jumpstart the library park at 81st with a neighborhood matching grant ahead of Parks planning. *Postscript: Bill Farmer has contacted*

Parks who is working with the last tenant to relocate; hopefully by the end of the year and demo probably spring 2015. Development funding becomes available starting in 2016.

A candidate for the Oversight Committee has contacted Irene Wall for an endorsement . Tom W said that the position isn't one where endorsements are as relevant as experience for the position.

Postscript : Alice has contacted the candidate, Tim Motzer who resides in Council District 5, Lake City, not our district 6 and the position is not elected. He also presented at NW District Council Oct meeting who deferred on an endorsement until all the candidates are known.

4. Special committee reports

- * Land Use policies update-Mary Lou is reviewing new Microhousing legislation for impacts of future projects on Phinney.

- * 70th& Grnwd- No new info from Dept of Ecology, equipment is being dismantled
postscript: the site has just been put up for sale mid week per Ron Lewis separate memo.

- * 68th & Greenwood- Pat Carroll Crippen, adjacent neighbor to the site reports that March is the anticipated start date.

- * 56th and Phinney – Drainage is being laid but uncovered dirt piles has been an ongoing problem .

- * Permits/multifamily dvmt -No new permits filed per Terry.

- * Pedestrian Overlay Zone- Dedication of the zone along south Phinney Ave would retain retail requirements on the street level where it is zoned Neighborhood Commercial and preserves services that residents ridge use. If there is not the overlay zone, retail can be preempted for residential uses. It was clarified that no rear exit door would be required by business owners. Irene recommends that the council advocates for this designation. The city staff contact person is Aly.penucci@seattle.gov

- * NW Design Review Board posting- see PRCC website for positing Information.

5. NW District Council- Report on Sept 24 meeting- introduction of new SDOT Director Scott K. and brief discussion of transportation issues in NW sector especially the Bike Master Plan. The next meeting is Wed Oct 22 meeting, 7 pm @ Greenwood Sr Center- Ron S,Carolynn L. and Ron Lewis are interested in attending with Alice

6. City Neighborhood Committee- Tom W. and Irene W reported that The Seattle Sustainable Neighborhoods Assessment Project (Peter Steinbruecks report on development stats and the Comprehensive Plan) is being reviewed by Department of Planning and Development and other departments prior to public distribution.

7. Upcoming public meetings & event- Mayor's proposed City budget , public meeting Thursday, Oct 23, at City Hall 6pm.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Election Forum Tuesday Nov 20 at Taproot Theater 7pm for Nov issues/candidates organized by Greenwood Community Council. Diane D has been in offering assistance in promoting the event. Volunteers maybe needed to help with night of event.

2. Zoo Wildlights 2014 - Summary of this year's program was distributed via email. Comments should be forwarded to Alice to respond to the zoo in Mark P.'s absence.

3. Website revisions -no new information.

4. Other

* Ted Inkley presented idea regarding the City Council District 6 elections. He would like to contact other community groups in District 6 to identify common issues to present to candidates. Motion was approved that he is authorized to pursue as member of PRCC Board.

* Several Advisory Boards are seeking new members. Information is posted on PRCC website or at seattle.gov/city-departments/boards-and-commissions

Pedestrian Advisory Board seeks one new member, applications due Oct 27,

Construction Codes Advisory Board seeks new members – Electrical contractors; Developers or Contractors of residential properties, general public applications due Nov 3.

Seattle Design Commission seeks one new architect member, application due Dec 1

Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting is Tuesday November 4, 7 pm