

PHINNEY RIDGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 2, 2015 7:00 pm @ Phinney Neighborhood Center

Present:

Mary Lou Reslock, Ted Inkley, Mark Phillips, Terry Cook, Irene Wall, Susan Wagner, Ron Siegle, Duncan Griffin, John Bito, Diane Duthweiler, Carolyn Lee and Alice Poggi

Absent: Jan Satterthwaite, Angela Marshall and Craig Fryhle

OLD BUSINESS

1. City Council District 6 Election Forum, Saturday June 6 at Phinney Neighborhood Center, 2:00 pm. Assistance with posting fliers and providing snacks will be needed.
2. Neighborhood Map: Duncan prepared a large ariel of the showing properties within community council boundaries. People had a chance to post notes of special problem areas that the City needs to be aware of.
3. Library Park in Greenwood is trying to bring group together for early implementation. Contact Greenwood Community Council for info.
4. All other monthly reports have been deferred until June meeting

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Board of Directors Elections: Diane Duthweiler, past president and outgoing Board member conducted the nominations . Nominees in attendance briefly introduced themselves and paper ballots were cast. *Postscript:* Diane has announced that there are three new Board members, Chuck Ayers, Tom Yeager and Tiffany Griffith, in addition to those re-elected to another term- Mary Lou Reslock, Carolyn Lee, Ron Siegle,,Irene Wall, John Bito, Craig Fryhle, Susan Wagner and Alice Poggi. Continuing Board members are Terry Cook, Duncan Griffin, Ted Inkley and Mark Phillips.

GUEST SPEAKER: HANNAH MCINTOSH: Strategic Advisor , Seattle Proposed Transportation Levy hannah.mcintosh@seattle.gov

Schedule: The revised Levy being transmitted to Council this month, for approval by August and placed on November ballot This Levy follows the previous Bridging the Gap which expires at end of 2015.

Project list is \$900m, doubling the cost to property owners from previous levy over nine years. A Levy is best option for projects as additional bond capacity is unavailable until 2024.

This Levy partners with other grants to add matching funds for certain projects.

This Levy funds much of the 5 year Bicycle Plan recently adopted by City Council. For Metro bus lines, the levy pays for street maintenance, signals coordination, dedicated bus lanes. Metro provides operational costs of bus service.

For more specific information of what is funded: [seattle.gov/Levy to Move Seattle](http://seattle.gov/Levy%20to%20Move%20Seattle)

Postscript: Levy proposal increased to \$930m as a benefit of applying sales tax generated from projects

Not included:

- * Any other projects in Phinney Greenwood area but there are others nearby that may benefit residents i.e Safe Routes to Schools, Northgate Transit Corridor
- * Greenwood -Phinney Corridor now being studied as the Multi Modal Corridor
- * Sidewalk repairs (upheavals) are property owners responsibility, not City's
- * Street repairs in residential side streets other than refilling some potholes
- * City's goal of carbon neutrality goal is not addressed in levy
- * Bus service for close-in neighborhoods, i.e Phinney. While bus #5 along the ridge will have added service from the levy approved last fall, the route isn't scheduled for any physical improvements that could expedite transit time thru this corridor. The Rapid Ride along the Aurora corridor has a 19 block spacing which eliminates service on the east side of the ridge.

Recommendations and Comments:

- * Crosswalk location evaluation/maintenance plus ADA access in Pedestrian Overlay zones on Greenwood Ave and now Phinney Ave. Restripe as needed and more often than is currently budgeted for to improve safety for pedestrians.
- * Clarify what kind of projects are typically annually funded thru general City budget, i.e. maintenance of street, crosswalk and signal timing vs.new projects or major maintenance and new infrastructure.
- * Require and enforce developers who cut in to streets for utility hook-ups to meet street standards for repair .

Next meeting Tuesday June 2, 7:00 pm