



Meeting Attendees

Committee Members

Anjala Ehelebe, Woodlawn (taking minutes)
Garlynn Woodsong, Concordia, Co-Chair
Mitchell Snyder, Vernon
Loulie Brown, At-Large, Co-Chair
Paul van Orden, At-Large (Eliot)
Allan Rudwick, Eliot

Additional Participants

Jim Howell, Eliot
Byron Tennant, Woodlawn Neighbor
Brad Perkins, Irvington
Ken Forcier, Concordia Neighbor
Dan Lerch-Walters, Sullivan's Gulch Neighbor
Barry Manning, Bureau of Planning
Nan Stark, Bureau of Planning

Meeting called to order 7:03 p.m.

Introductions and approval of January meeting minutes

Anjala Ehelebe motions to approve the January minutes with spelling and punctuation edits.
Loulie seconded. Unanimous approval. Introductions around.

TSP Project List Discussion

- **Mlk transit (?)**
- **26th and regents (+)**
- **Killingsworth safety (+)**
- **Grand/mlk ITS (+)**
- **Mlk freight (-)**
- **Mississippi streetscape**
- **33rd and Columbia bridge**
- **Broadway Corridor bike and transit improvements(+ BUT, break it into a study phase and then a build phrase)**
- **14th Ave greenway (bump into years 1-10)**
- **22nd Ave greenway (bump into years 1-10)**
- **7th-9th greenway (bump into years 1-10)**
- **Add Sullivan's gulch greenway (bump into years 1-10)**

Give them comments on our priorities that are on the list and those NOT on the list.

Broadway Corridor is a hot topic in his neighborhood, says Brad. Planning money is needed. PBOT feels that the bicycle lanes are needed on every street and he believes that they are best on certain, not all streets.



Broadway is NOT a safe place for bicycles. The 3.5 million is all based on putting a cyclotrack on Broadway, and there will be a fight with businesses about that placement. Garlynn disagree: says the cyclotrack would actually give better access to Broadway businesses. Brad says they need the money to have an official discussion on this proposal. He says look into the idea of funding a study of Broadway, and not say: as a priority bicycles should be on Broadway. Leave out transportation alternative. The planner should show the pros and cons on each type of system.

Garlynn suggests lumping all of the individual greenways as a Greenway Program, what do we think about that idea: discussion.

Jim Howell says three of them stand out to him, mlk freight and the 33rd Columbia bridge are the big dollar items. Discussion.

Suggests putting MLK freight as #1 negative. Discussion. Byron says that this doesn't Really serve the neighborhood, routing more freight through the neighborhood. Loulie says this just moves the bottleneck. ? says it would dump more air pollution into the area. Ken says why not spend the money on a freight bridge overpass. Anjala says she heard the proposal was created mostly to provide more room for trucks to turn.

Jim's second question was about the 33rd avenue bridge replacement. What would it do? Concordia requested some changes for safe bike and pedestrian access. Since then, the bridge has been re-stripped and it's a bit better for bikes, but not for pedestrians. Garlynn recommends writing "let's push this out years" Brad says let's have a bike and pedestrian bridge separate from existing ones. Does existing bridge meet seismic codes, ask Loulie, not likely. Maybe use some of this money to study alternatives.

Leigh asks what the Grand and MLK project is: is signal interconnection, computerization. Discussion.

This is worth supporting but this cost is astronomical.

Mitchell of Vernon, says Killingsworth safety project would be welcomed.

Discussion of virtues and deficits of 9th, 7th avenue Greenway. Not 7th, doesn't go through. Jim said you could make 7th a one-way street that would give car access and room for a bikeway.

Hope the transit plan would be to build more shelters. But the IPS might do better.

Going from 32nd behind Fred Meyer can be built in the 1st 10 years. Add this to the Broadway component.

Allan moves we write a letter with the priorities on the board, Leigh seconds, all in favor.

Mixed Use Zone Project Update, Barry Manning, BDS

Barry hands out Preliminary Zoning Concept - Draft and explains the project. Current buildings are considered too bulky, not affordable for housing and commercial space. This project is addressing these issues by creating custom standards.



Applying these zones outside of central city, strictly in neighborhoods.
Explains bonus elements.

Allan wonders about standards for plaza (public) says there's a lot of crappy examples out there.

Discussion. Probably ground floors total height would be 18, base 15. He says the community wants more variance in roof heights.

Garlynn says many new buildings are underbuilt according to FAR (Floor Area Ratio) (example, most New Seasons, Trader Joes in Hollywood). Please look at a minimum FAR of .9. Brad says there needs to be something done about that issue of under-building. Garlyn says the proposed Natural Grocers at the Vanport site is also underbuilt for the desired site. Brad says he doesn't know if it's economically feasible.

Step down and set back in response to neighbor concerns: see conversion table. Relate building height to street scale/function. CM2, limit fronts to 35' street wall along narrower streets. Jim asks if solar access has been considered, not extensively. In terms of setbacks, they find the option A to be less fussy and more buildable. Full block zoning, might require residential use on back side that faces residential.

Limiting detached houses in centers. Improve notification to neighborhoods.

They will post this slide show on their website Friday. Barry will email Garlynn with a link to the show to share with committee members. Says there has been a push back from internal leadership against minimum FAR.

TriMet Service: Recommend changes in NECN area

Garlynn says running into a deadline to comment on these. TriMet gave us an open ended request for comments, and Concordia said, 72 should be in two routes, and a new frequent service on Alberta to downtown. Don't cut Line 17 to fund this. Do not remove 72 from Alberta if you can't fund this.

Anjala says she has a link to a bus planning app that the novice can use that she'll email to all.

Jim says he has two ideas that he is proposing, a Prescott frequent service from Parkrose to Swan Island, and a new line on Columbia Boulevard. See his handouts, (main and alternate modification). Wants a bus to go over the Fremont bridge. He says these would result in an exponential growth in ridership.

Allan asked if we submitted comments on this before? No.

Nan Stark

Asks if we have our priorities. Asks if anyone will attend the Comp Plan hearing next Tuesday. Yes.

"Technically" this is all about Transportation but they could hear about other topics.

Neighborhood Updates



Pembina Energy Terminal

Garlynn explains Micah has been going around to different NAs informing them about the issues with this.

The Concordian NA asked the Concordia LUTc to draft a letter opposing the project.

Woodlawn NA also voted to oppose the project. Loulie says

Woodlawn Trains with Combustibles

Anjala says that the train line through Woodlawn and N. Portland is increasingly carrying combustibles, oil, coal, liquid fertilizer, propane, wheat. A Woodlawn neighbor doing research for a college class noticed that the AmeriGas site at the intersection of 11th Ave. is a potential site that would amplify the danger if a train derailed. Endangering schools, many businesses and most of the Woodlawn neighborhood. Following up on her research, she found Tarr Llc has moved its high-grade alcohol storage tanks to a site near 27th Avenue, (move funded by Oregon Lottery dollars). This site adds to the potential combustibility of the area and threatens the airport, Concordia University and some grade schools. Neighbors on the Woodlawn LUTC are researching the dangers and the options for danger remediation in this area.

PDC strategic plan came out says Loulie. Allan says it says nothing, means nothing. Loulie agrees, and says it's not attached to a plan of action. Garlynn says the comment deadline on this is before our next meeting. Do we want to tell them that it's "weak sauce" that needs to be useful. They need to say what they are going to do with their resources and their goals on housing, health care, etc. Loulie will email it to the LUTC and we can weigh in on the fact that they have no connection to anything, to the comp plan, the NNE Quadrant plan, to affordable housing, anything. Garlynn says what do we need to do. Anjala makes a motion to form a subcommittee, Allan seconds it, with provide more specifics as to how pdc could help implement the Comp Plan. Focus on redevelopment of the Rose Quarter, focus on their assets and what they plan to do with them.

- give the subcommittee guidelines as to what to say and what to request and give it the blessing to come up with a letter under the imprimatur of the Committee. Brad will be on this subcommittee, Allan, Garlynn schedule permitting. Letter has to be in mid-March.

Other Neighborhood Updates

Byron says the SALT committee meeting next Monday starting at 6:30 wants all who can to attend.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m.