



Land Use and Transportation Committee
Wednesday, December 2, 2015, 7:00pm–9:00pm
Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods Office
4815 NE 7th Avenue, Portland, OR
APPROVED Minutes

Meeting Attendees:

Brad Perkins, NNEBA
Dave Johansen, Alameda, LUTC Co-Chair
Ben Earle, Concordia
Leigh Rappaport, King
Kristin Slavic, Vernon/PATH Architecture
Paul van Orden, Eliot
Micah Meskel, Humboldt

Andy Sheie, At Large
Mark Lear, PBOT
Nan Stark, BPS
Garlynn Woodsong, Concordia, LUTC Co-Chair
Mychal Tetteh, Community Cycling Center
Lucas Gray, Vernon
Lokyee Au, NECN Staff

Meeting comes to order 7:10pm.

Introductions and Minutes

October minutes amendments: Micah needs to be placed onto attendance list. Micah motions to approve September and October minutes with amendment. Paul seconds. Andy abstains. Motion passes.

City Repair Event

City Repair is holding an event at the NECN office on December 3 related to the alleyways project neighbors are involved in. LUTC asked if it would be willing to co-sponsor the event, co-sponsorship meaning the donation of NECN space to hold event. Dave motions to have LUTC co-sponsor City Repair event. Paul seconds. All in favor. Motion passes unanimously.

United Neighbors for Reform Resolution

Last month members discussed the resolution, but no action was taken due to lack of quorum. Members also discussed drafting a letter that states support for resolution with qualifiers. No deadline for support. Dave motions to create subcommittee to work on letter, Andy seconds. All in favor. Motion passes unanimously. Brad, Dave, and Garlynn volunteer to work on the letter, listing items of concern to LUTC: 2a, 2c, 1d (need clarification and discussion around alternatives).

Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) Gas Tax Proposal

PBOT is attending community meetings to discuss their proposal for a 10 cent gas tax over a 4-year span to generate \$58 million in revenue to complete critical street repair and safety projects. The revenue generated would go into a specific fund. The proposed language is slated to head to council January/February 2016, for a May vote. Mark notes the one upside this tax has, in comparison to the street fee, is its quicker implementation prospect. There is a potential to administer the tax by September 2016, whereas the street fee would have taken longer.

Transit Justice Perspectives on Gas Tax Proposal

Mychal Tetteh from Community Cycling Center joins to discuss the gas tax proposal from a transit justice perspective. He notes the list of projects to received proposed funding is great, but there needs to be recognition that the gas tax is regressive and places a larger burden on low-income families and those that do not have alternative means of transportation. Supports the list of projects to be funded, and notes this list should be used as example for how PBOT should conduct when it develops, funds, and prioritizes projects (based on equity).



Emanuel Legacy Rezone

Brad Perkins (NNEBA) asking for NECN LUTC to write a letter of support for their request-asking for a rezoning to get the affordable, and NNEBA wants the lots to be developed on a community basis.

Last month, LUTC wanted to reach out to affected neighborhood (Eliot) prior to taking any type of action. Eliot is on board with writing a letter. Comment from member saying the letter didn't sound like it was actually written by NECN. Dave suggests that rather than changing the NNEBA letter, send a concise letter of support for NNEBA's letter, and attaching the actual letter written by NNEBA for reference. Dave makes a motion to write a letter for transmittal in support of NNEBA's letter. Paul seconds. All in favor. Motion passes unanimously. Brad comments saying it'd be great to have Garlynn join Brad to testify regarding the letter.

Bureau of Planning and Sustainability Updates

Additional Comprehensive Plan hearing has been added for January 7 at Self Enhancement Inc. Micah asks about the Economic Opportunities Analysis: has the analysis moved away from staff? Nan needs to get back to Micah with the answer.

2016 Superfund Schedule

Superfund Site – 10 mile stretch, runs north from Broadway Bridge up to Sauvie Island. Cleanup proposal: next comment period is between March-May 2016

Full proposal hasn't been released yet – just general framework. Flagging this issue for consideration.

Neighborhood Updates

Eliot: Asking NECN LUTC to support a letter from Eliot regarding Kaiser development that the neighborhood association feels is not following the design initially supported by the Eliot Neighborhood Association to the City Council. Dave notes the Eliot letter doesn't mention RH or RX zones in question- needs to be included. Discussion ensues, with Kristin providing information in response to the claims of the Eliot letter.

Micah motions LUTC drafts a letter in support of Eliot's concerns regarding the Kaiser development (with the caveat that the letter will be edited to only include contextual information and issue at hand) regarding the property and send it to the Executive Committee for approval. Dave seconds. Garlynn abstains. Motion passes with one abstention.

Motion adjourns 9:19pm