

Piedmont Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

Thursday Feb. 18, 2016

Peninsula Park Community Center

Attendance: Linda M, Deanne Gomez, Jan de Leeuw, Tommy Harrington, Brian Borrello, Max Brown, Kristen Saxton, Brianna Beyrooty, Matt Ziblich

1. Matt Ziblich with Rabbit Hill garden has applied for the NPNS small grants program grant and will be receiving \$525 toward the upkeep of the Rabbit Hill garden at N. Rodney and N. Baldwin. PNA will disperse grant funds to Rabbit Hill. There will also be a repainting of the street mural at N. Russett and N. Williams at the beginning of August.

2. Land use committee updates:

1. The City of Portland is discussing a proposal that houses built before 1960 be deconstructed by hand versus demolition. There may be an upcoming hearing date to provide input.

2. We discussed the new Preservation Strategy booklet and design produced by the Friends of the Peninsula Park Rose Garden that includes historical photos and proposals for redoing the brick walkways, adding a pergula at the N. Ainsworth corner in 2025 and creating a pollinator garden in 2018. Brian proposed that we investigate the possibility of using the \$10,000 set aside by the City for our use in creating a Rosa Parks memorial. Perhaps this could be incorporated into the pergula design or some other sort of memorial could be designed. Brian will ask City representative about this money.

3. We discussed the City Beautiful Movement master plan used to design the Piedmont neighborhood in the early 1900s. We discussed the desire to develop and encourage the use of a master plan mindset toward development in our neighborhood and all neighborhoods in Portland. Brian will check with Diana Moosman to see how the Boise/Elliott neighborhood development guidelines have impacted development in that neighborhood.

4. Land use committee has received notification of a pre-application for a medical waste sterilization plant in Piedmont north of Columbia Blvd. On March 3, there will be an applicant permit process in which the business owner learns about the permit process.

3. Communications: Brianna is working on revisioning the website. She would like to locate pictures from the neighborhood. She will create a "dropbox" where we can send pictures. She hopes to showcase Piedmont businesses and parks on the website as well as posting meeting schedules.