

City Neighborhood Council

West Precinct Conference Room – 810 Virginia St
6:30pm, Monday, May 23, 2005

Districts Represented: Delridge (Pete Spalding), East (Andrew Taylor), Lake Union (Chris Leman), Magnolia/Queen Anne (Lindsay Brown), Northeast (Bob Lucas), Northwest (Irene Wall), Southeast (Pat Murakami), Southwest (Dennis Ross)

Districts Non-Represented: North, Ballard, Central, Downtown, Greater Duwamish

Other: CIRP Representative, Dennis Ross

DON staff: Bernie Matsuno

Guests: Laine Ross, Downtown District Council

Meeting Notes

A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by CNC Vice Chairperson, Pete Spalding. Welcome and introductions took place.

Actions Taken:

- Approved: January '05 meeting minutes
- Approved, with East District abstaining: April '05 meeting minutes with “friendly amendment”: Non-attendance at CNC meeting will be noted by District (versus name of representative or alternate.)
- Approved: Public testimony regarding changes to the zoning code (as presented in a handout by the Neighborhood Planning committee of the CNC/Irene Wall). Additionally, the committee will draft a letter – raising the same concerns/issues – for review and approval at the next CNC meeting.
- Approved: Letter regarding recommendations for '06 budget (as prepared by the Budget committee/Chris Leman) with one revision, i.e. add language indicating that recommendations are not listed in rank order.

Presentation: Downtown District Update by Laine Ross

The following issues were highlighted: Daylighting of buses on 3rd Avenue; human services and the plan to end Homelessness in 10 years (good opportunity to work w/providers to address the issue in a comprehensive way. Laine also provided a list and map of human services in the downtown area); 4th and Yesler Command Center for fire and police (International District planning to contest this siting); relocation of needle exchange site currently at 2nd and Pike; Alcohol Impact Area (AIA) – is working, although some displacement occurring. Area mini-marts have not been adversely affected and have expanded their product

line; hygiene center (that will be operated by the Downtown Emergency Services Center) is scheduled to open at 3rd and Yesler. Pioneer Square and ID communities remain concerned about the impacts; night clubs and the need for a coordinated message regarding the over servicing of alcohol and being a good neighbor.

Committee Reports:

Neighborhood Planning by Irene Wall

Next agenda item is to work with the Planning Commission regarding neighborhood plans and the need for additional planning/refreshing of plans, as well as an honest assessment of community interest and capacity.

Budget by Chris Leman

Future agenda items:

- Explore models for a more citizen inclusive budget process, especially related to the CIP
- planning for a citizen budget conference (Nov '05 or Jan '06)
- planning for 2nd CNC letter regarding budget.

Neighborhood Matching Fund by Bob Lucas

- The Citywide Review Team (CRT) has completed its review of the '05 Large Projects and will be presenting its award recommendations in June.
- The CNC/District Council Volunteer Recognition Event is scheduled for Thursday, May 26 at 6:00 pm at Golden Gardens Bathhouse. 52 projects/groups will be recognized, but not all will be able to attend. CNC members should attend.
- Next meeting of the NMF Committee is scheduled for 6/7/05 at 6:00pm. The agenda will include a review of this year's CRT process and the Volunteer Recognition Event.

Transportation by Ref Lindmark

- Will draft language – for consideration at June CNC meeting – to add Transportation committee
- Committee will hear an overview by SDOT staff about right-of-way management

Old/New Business

- Candidates forum will be considered for the future
- Laine Ross agreed to inquire about the CNC being a partner/supporter of the Citywide "Crime Conference" scheduled for later this year.