

Rose City Park Neighborhood Association (RCPNA) Land Use and Transportation Committee Meeting Notes

July 21, 2022 – ZOOM Call

From – Kelly Davis

Meeting Items:

- 1. Welcome & Introductions – Kelly Davis**
- 2. Attendees – see attendee list below**
- 3. Land Acknowledgement Statement – deferred**
- 4. RCPNA Mission Statement - deferred**
- 5. Neighborhood Agreements - deferred**
- 6. Agenda – Approved**
- 7. Minutes – June 16, 2022, LU & T meeting**
 - a. Minutes approved.
- 8. Hollywood HUB at the 42nd Street MAX Station**
 - a. TriMet and Bridge Housing presented the latest design for the Hollywood Hub. They came to our June 2021 meeting which was our last look at the project.
 - b. The Max station at 42nd was built in 1986 and requires a number of updates to bring it up to code and be more functional. Four Max lines and two bus lines currently use the station.
 - c. The project will also replace the current ramp/stair which is not code compliant and improve pedestrian safety after the death at 42nd and Halsey in 2021.
 - d. Bridge housing is a non-profit that has over 1,000 current units.
 - e. The original design included 201 units in 13 stories. The revised design has 234 units and 40 parking spaces in 12 stories. The city is funding 201 units. The complex is 240,000 SF on a 35,000 SF site. Mayer/Reed is the current Conceptual Design Lead (20% design) with Holst Architecture continuing with design work shortly.
 - f. Three options for the stair/ramp connection were explored. An elevator/stair option, a compact ramp & stairs and a fully inclined ramp & stairs were presented at the June 2021 Committee meeting. The compact ramp & stair option was selected as most functional.
 - g. Future access to the Sullivan's Gulch trail is preserved once that project is funded/constructed.
 - h. Currently bus lines 66,75 and 77 access the site and will use the pull out shown on Halsey. The route for line 77 will stay as it is currently configured.
 - i. Traffic studies for the Housing component are completed with the result as no impact. A traffic study for transit operations is in progress.
 - j. Terry suggested that the layout of the Community Room/Retail be reoriented to provide more visibility for the Community Room.
 - k. Sharron asked if the elevators were transparent. They are interior so do not include glazing.

- l. Nick asked if a variance was required to reduce the parking. The city does not require any parking as it is located with several transit options. The project is exploring some off-site parking options including the Providence complex for short term use. They are also considering 10 shared car spaces in the project.
- m. Andrew asked if there were awnings in the project for shelter of pedestrians. Awnings are provided. Bridge Housing and Tri-Met will also have an extensive maintenance program with daily power washing to help with the potential homeless challenges.
- n. Ian asked about the programs for low-income residents. There will be 37 vouchers (family units) with incomes at 30% AMI. The minimum bedrooms per unit requirement is 1.75 and the complex is at 1.77. The average unit size is 800 – 1,000 SF.
- o. The Service Provider for the project is Hacienda and they will have three staff members on site.
- p. Transit access will be maintained during construction.
- q. The tentative schedule is to deliver the infrastructure components in 2024 with building construction following thereafter.

9. Slow Streets – Alameda and NE 57th One Way Proposal

- a. Kelly provided the latest information on the project schedule from Scott Coehn (PBOT). The project is awaiting construction from their Maintenance Operations group. The exact schedule is unknown, but they are anticipating the work to be done this summer.
- b. Terry restated that he thought the project would slow the traffic on Fremont. Scott has previously stated that PBOT did not think that would happen.
- c. Nick suggested that the project be allowed to proceed with the traffic monitoring that PBOT has committed to.
- d. Zachary asked what would be considered a success for the project?
- e. Terry stated that other Neighborhood Associations did not like the project. They are reportedly writing letters of opposition.
- f. Sharron pointed out that not one person at our May meeting supported the project. The Committee should write a letter of opposition to the project.
- g. Andrew P. asked what was the basis for the opposition? Terry stated that safety was the primary concern and access to Sandy.
- h. A traffic signal at NE 54th would help with traffic movement.
- i. Sharron expressed concern for when the Vicariate property was developed and the impact from 300+ units.
- j. Ian stated that he loved the project. Kids can better bike on Alameda, speeding up the buses would be good and shifting traffic off Alameda is a great thing.
- k. Ben stated that the traffic will not go away with the proposed design. PBOT should wait for the development of the Vicariate property before proceeding.
- l. Zachary pointed out that PBOT is creating this temporary solution to reduce traffic and will monitor the situation. Changes could be easily made later based on data collected.
- m. Nick stated that the development at the Vicariate could take a long time.

- n. Jenny stated that a delay does not make sense as any parcel could be developed at a later date (in addition to the Vicariate).

Motion: To write a letter of opposition to the project. Seconded. Motion did not pass. Project will be discussed further at the August Board meeting.

10. Slow Streets – Discussion of Traffic Calming at 64th and Brazee

- a. The survey of neighbors for and against the replacement of the candlesticks with concrete planters was not decisive (6 for and 6 against).
- b. Concrete bollards were installed at Sacramento and 64th with large signs installed in the center. PBOT previously promised that the signs would be installed at curbside.
- c. Vickie stated that the bollards/signs significantly affected resident's views. How could this happen?
- d. Everyone reportedly hates the candlesticks.
- e. Merrill suggested that the Committee demand that PBOT hold to the promise on the signage.
- f. Terry stated that we can just not trust the city.
- g. Ben said that the Committee should speak for the people impacted. We should look for a long-term solution that looks nice and is functional.
- h. Chris stated that the layout provided safety for kids on bikes going to school. It improved visibility and safety for all users including cars, transit, bikes and pedestrians.
- i. Amy stated that many cars go 25 MPH or more over the limit.
- j. Karl said that the bollards do not slow traffic but squeeze the travel lanes and impact runners on Sacramento.
- k. Susan stated that there has never been an accident on Sacramento, that it was a safe street, traffic is slowed by the speed bumps and runners/bikers/pedestrians were happy with the street before the bollards. The bollards are an eyesore.
- l. Jenny stated that the safe routes to school project was widely communicated to neighbors through flyers and other communications. Sharron thought notice of the candlesticks only went to three neighbors.

ACTION: Kelly will contact Scott Coehn at PBOT to understand why the signs were installed in the bollards rather than at curbside. The candlestick vs. concrete planter issue will be discussed at the August Board meeting.

11. Slow Streets – Sacramento and 62nd

- a. Kelly reviewed an update that he received from Scott Coehn (PBOT). NE 62nd and Sacramento is not scheduled for any additional traffic calming. The plan is to wait and see how the NE 64th and Sacramento Slow Streets installation impacts the greenway and then access whether additional infrastructure was needed. Kelly pointed out that the Neighbors, Neighborhood Association and LU&TC Committee felt that no further calming would be needed.

12. Future Meeting – In Person or ZOOM

- a. Kelly has contacted Allison at CNN about equipment that would allow future meetings to be hybrids – Zoom and In-Person. She is looking into the purchase of

the equipment and will let him know the status. In the meantime, meetings will continue on Zoom.

13. New Committee Members

- a. Ben Joy and Andrew Duchon will be added as new Committee members.

14. New Co-Chair of the Committee

- a. Kelly said that with Tamara's departure from the Neighborhood Association and this Committee, another Co-Chair is needed. Someone to take notes is also needed if Kelly chairs the meetings.
- b. Terry suggested that members think about volunteering, and this should be discussed further at the August Committee meeting.

15. Oregonian Article on 82nd and Milton

- a. Terry suggested that Committee members read the article in the Oregonian on the gun violence at 82nd and Milton.

16. CNN LUTOP Representatives

- a. Jenny stated that she needed to resign as a representative to the CNN LUTOP group. Terry will remain as a representative. This will also be discussed at the August Committee meeting.

17. Adjourn – Next Meeting – August 18, 2022

- a. Items on the Agenda but not discussed due to time constraints:
Unimproved Streets in RCP – letter to Parks and Commissioners
Intersections and Impaired Sight Lines – Broadway and 47th

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ATTENDEES**

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Kelly Davis	LU&T Committee Member
Terry Parker	LU&T Committee Member
Sharron Fuchs	LU&T Committee Member
Zach Lauritzen	LU&T Committee Member
Nick Putnam	LU&T Committee Member
Andrew Dechon	New LU&T Committee Member
Jenny Lyman	LU&T Committee Member
Ben Joy	New LU&T Committee Member
Ian Davey	New LU&T Committee Member
Susan Ferguson	Neighbor
Andrew Purkey	Neighbor
Merrill Schneider	Neighbor
Cutty Hyde	Neighbor
Amy Sigmaster	Neighbor
Erik Mitchel	Neighbor
Chris Schneider	Neighbor
Aaron Z	Neighbor
Neil Clark	Neighbor
Vickie & Alan Rothstein	Neighbors
Fiona Lyon	Tri-Met
Guy Benn	Tri-Met
Kurt Creager	Bridge Housing