

**CITY OF SHORELINE
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

September 2, 2015
7:00 pm

Shoreline City Hall

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Ballinger – Kevin Osborn
Briarcrest - Alice Keller
Echo Lake – Ellen Wood
Highland Terrace – Suzan Shayler
Hillwood – Ann Erickson, Christabel Britto
Innis Arden – June Howard, Domenick Dellino
North City – Dan Dale, John Fleming
Richmond Beach – Susie Johnson, Dave Davis
Richmond Highlands - Pete Gerhard, Kathy Plant
Ridgecrest – Patty Hale, Rebecca Sargent, Tess Bammert
Westminster – John Ramsdell
The Highlands – Andy McRea

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Rob Beem, Community Services Manager; Rosie O'Brien-Ochs, Neighborhoods Coordinator; Constance Perenyi, Neighborhoods Coordinator

I. Call to Order

Chair June Howard called the meeting to order and Pete Gerhard played a video of poet David Whyte reading his poem “Working Together.”

II. Review June 3 Agenda and May 6 Minutes

The September 2 Agenda was approved. The June 3 Minutes were approved.

III. Public Comment

Hilary Case from Senior Services talked about Hyde Shuttle, a free transportation service for the elderly and disabled. Last year, Shoreline riders took 3,603 one day trips and logged over 10,000 miles. There is current need for more volunteer drivers to fill open shifts. Contact: hilaryc@seniorservices.org or (206)748-7588.

IV. Board Report

June introduced board members, and talked briefly about the retreat on August 27. Details below in item IX.

V. Introduction of new Neighborhood Coordinator

Rob Beem introduced Constance Perenyi, who started fulltime on August 24th. He also thanked outgoing Neighborhood Rosie O'Brien-Ochs. This was Rosie's last CON meeting, although she will remain with the City working on special projects until December.

VI. Visiting Councilmember Update

Councilmember Chris Roberts provided updates on business before the City Council including:

- With recent hires of the Administrative Services Director and Public Works Director, the upper management leadership team of the City is now fully staffed;
- The owner of the Aurora Square development project is under investigation for investor fraud and his assets have been frozen. At this point, the City is unsure how long it will take to move forward;
- This is budget season for the City, with the full budget presented on October 12th, and finalized on November 23;
- The State Legislature has authorized raising fees on car tabs between \$20 – 40 per car, with all increases funding transportation projects. Should Shoreline decide to do this, money could go to sidewalks.

VII. INTRODUCTION TO Affordable Housing Issues in Shoreline

Rob gave an overview of affordable housing issues over the last 8 years including community block grant projects (Compass Housing) and funding to renovate housing authority buildings. A task force in Shoreline and North King County has explored working with local churches to use surplus property for new housing. Developers in 185th Rezone project are required to provide some affordable housing based on income level and family size.

VIII. Ronald Commons Project Overview

Beth Boram, Property Development Manager for Compass Housing, Phyllis Johnson from Ronald Methodist Church, and Megan Altamore from Hopelink presented information about plans for Ronald Commons. Slated to open in early 2017, 60 units of affordable housing and a new 12,000 square foot Hopelink facility will provide much-needed services in Shoreline.

Planning began 6 years ago, with the Church's awareness of the increase of requests for service by people in crisis. After considerable reflection, Church leadership decided to sell land so Compass Housing could build housing for individuals and families well below the area median income level. After 10 years in their current Aurora Square space, Hopelink joined in the partnership so they will have larger facilities and the ability to expand services for Shoreline residents, and for people in the new housing units.

IX. Review CON Action Items: Presentation of updated Mission Vision and Action Plans for 2015-16

June talked about the board retreat, and highlighted proposed changes to MVAP for the upcoming year.

- Value 2, #2: In 2016, offer a communications training to CON membership, and assess how well all neighborhoods are doing with communications and transfer of information.
- Value 2, #4: Starting next month, our regular time to share ideas and resources will be structured a little differently. Every other month, a Learning from Leaders interactive session will provide an opportunity to learn from each other about the successes and challenges in our neighborhoods. We will kick this process off at our October meeting.
- Value 3, #2: To encourage further teamwork on projects, we suggest the collaboration of we side neighborhood associations on a large event such as Outdoor Movie Night.
- Value 4: we plan to offer another diversity training to the Council of Neighborhoods within the year. If there is interest after that training, we will again look at developing a Diversity and Inclusion Task Force. And we want to continue quarterly World Dance Parties, but this year, different neighborhood associations will join in planning and outreach for the events.

June asked for a vote to pass the changes, which was moved, seconded, and approved.

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X. Summer Events Reports

In addition to successful Night Out parties in every neighborhood, highlights from the summer include: Innis Arden's annual salmon bake; 4 Corners Brew Fest; Hillwood's 8th annual ice cream social, and coffee in the park on Saturdays; Richmond Beach hosted a fun run and sand castle building contest again; Ridgecrest's ice cream social brought in over 2000 people, and 1001 sundaes were served; Richmond Highlands enjoyed the rehearsal of the jazz orchestra prior to the North City Jazz Walk, and is sponsoring a logo contest; Briarcrest had a good turnout at its picnic; and The Highlands marked its 107th year of summer picnics.

And last but not least: Food Trucks! Ridgecrest scheduled 4 events this year; Richmond beach jumped in with 3 very successful evenings and will consider having two trucks at each next year to keep up with demand; Parkwood, Westminster Triangle, and Highland Terrace all helped with inaugural events at Aurora Square.

XI. Neighborhood Coordinator Report

Constance thanked everyone for the warm welcome, asked for a review of the current bookmark, and encouraged everyone to participate in SummerSet in Ronald Bog Park on September 12th.

XII. Announcements

- Rob announced a cultural competency training with Rosetta Lee at City Hall on October 22. Information will be sent to CON membership.
- Rob noted that the agenda for the year had several slots to be filled through the Learning from Leaders discussions. Members were encouraged to reflect on the adopted Action Plan and to bring forward any refinements through the LTL process.
- Briarcrest and Ridgecrest are teaming up to host a candidates' debate at 7 pm on September 15 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.
- North City's September 29th meeting will feature an economic development update by Dan Eernisee, Economic Development Manager for the City of Shoreline.

XIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8.45 pm