

**CITY OF SHORELINE  
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

June 7, 2017  
6:30 pm

Shoreline City Hall

**COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Ballinger – Stephanie Angelis  
Briarcrest – Sophia Kowalski  
Echo Lake – Diane Hettrick, Cathy Goodrich  
Highland Terrace – Suzan Shayler  
Hillwood – Ann Erickson, Pam Cross  
Innis Arden – June Howard, Domenick Dellino  
Meridian Park – Gretchen Atkinson  
North City – Dan Dale  
Parkwood – Braden Pence  
Richmond Beach – John Burt  
Richmond Highlands - Pete Gerhard, Kathy Plant  
Ridgecrest – Patty Hale, Rebecca Hood

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Rob Beem, Community Services Manager; Constance Perenyi, Neighborhoods Coordinator.

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Pete Gerhard called the meeting to order and asked for self-introductions. Stephanie Angelis read “Summer in Seattle”, a poem by Joyce Johnson.

**II. Review [June 7 Agenda](#) and Minutes from [May 3](#)**

The June 7th agenda was approved. Minutes from May 3rd were approved.

**III. Public Comment**

Domenick Dellino reported that the Hyde Shuttle needs drivers. Without more volunteers, runs have to be cancelled. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact [Dom](#) directly. Stephanie

**IV. Art Project Update**

Artist Sara Snedeker returned to CON with an update on the mural design. At last month’s meeting, she heard clearly that CON members love nature, and she decided to focus on portraying native plants on the mural. She explained that given the number of people who will participate at Celebrate Shoreline, and the fact that many of them will be young, it is best to develop a design that accommodate a variety of skill levels (plants over animals). She shared an initial design of plants, explained that the plants will be identified around the border, and will be painted against a darker background to the images will stand out more.

Sara says she will need 3 volunteers at a time to help, and will develop a shift schedule, which Constance will send out to CON members for sign up. Some members expressed concern about children climbing on the mural since it is on a fence, and behind the backstop of the ball field. A frame was suggested, something Sara will consider.

## **V. Neighborhood Reports**

- Ridgecrest: The Million Step Challenge ran through the month of May. This year, it was opened to people walking anywhere in the City, and was more successful than ever. Patty Hale reported that Ridgecrest neighbors were concerned that the future of the Crest Theater might be endangered given the recent closure of two other Landmark theaters. She said that all indications are that the Crest will stay open.
- Richmond Highlands: RHNA, in partnership with Hillwood, hosted Shoreline's first Bicycle Rodeo and Safety Fair on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. It drew volunteers from all over the City (largely recruited through Next Door), and almost 60 children and their families participated. Organizers put together a kit and how-to manual so that any neighborhood in the city can host its own event. RHNA will host its second Wet and Wild event at Sunset Park on July 22.
- Briarcrest: With a grant from the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council, Briarcrest is putting on a storytelling workshop led by two members of Storytellers Northwest. It is on July 23, 1 – 4 pm, at the North City water District. CON members are welcome.
- Richmond Beach: The Strawberry Festival is now a wrap, and a successful one, especially since the weather improved right as the event started. The Garden Tour is coming up on June 10<sup>th</sup>, with maps available throughout Richmond Beach. And the orca art has been installed. Look for them: behind the welcome sign on RB Road; further down the road; at the Community, Saltwater and Kayu Kayu Ac Parks; and at Kruckeberg Gardens.
- Ballinger: The annual Outdoor Movie Night will be on August 26, and will feature WALL-E. Ballinger volunteers are cutting brush at Aldercrest on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to noon.
- Echo Lake: ELNA joins Meridian Park for a joint meeting on June 20 with a presentation about the RADAR Program. The annual work party and picnic is on July 18, and ELNA will host foodtrucks for the first time at Echo Lake Park on August 17 and 24.
- North City: Jazz Walk is coming up on August 15<sup>th</sup>, and North City neighbors are getting even more involved in planning this popular event. \$15 presale tickets will be on sale soon.
- Hillwood: Coffee in the Park was scheduled for the same day as the Strawberry Festival, but unfortunately, it was earlier when the weather was less conducive to neighbors sipping coffee with each other. Hillwood's annual meeting in June will feature Christine Southwick, Shoreline's "Bird Lady."
- Highland Terrace: HTNA held another successful Fun and Games in the Park event on June 4. These are becoming a trademark event in Highland Terrace, as is the annual plant sale.

## **VII. Neighborhoods Coordinator Report**

Constance invited everyone to take information about the draft Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan, and to start thinking about scheduling time in the fall at neighborhood association meetings for a follow-up with Parks staff. She also asked people to take copies of the summer events list, and reminded everyone that it is just for CON members since some of the events are not open to the whole city.

The Farmers Market opens on June 10<sup>th</sup>, and CON members are encouraged to get out and support the market through the season. CON will not have outreach booths there this year so members can focus on the art project at Celebrate Shoreline.

Welcome packets will be ready for pick up during the week of June 12-16. Constance asked for volunteers to help count out materials for each neighborhood.

#### **VII. Celebration of Outgoing CON Board Members**

June Howard and Rebecca Hood have retired from the CON Board. Rob Beem praised both for their dedication to the community, and their contributions to the Council of Neighborhoods.

#### **VIII. Review of the Year**

Members commented at the annotated CON Goals for 2016 – 2017. Discussing Goal 5, *Facilitating informed dialogue about growth and change in our communities*, Domenick Dellino suggested that CON host debates. This could be a way to address growth and change issues, and to listen to people with opposing views. Patty Hale added that there could be a panel, data could be presented and discussed as a way to create dialogue.

Braden Pence expressed that he still does not know what CON's role is. He observes that CON uploads a lot of information, but that visiting Councilmembers and presenting staff do not listen as much as they speak. He shared his feeling that questions from CON members seem like an irritant to them. Other CON members suggested that time is a big issue, and that question/answer periods are limited by the agenda. They asked that more time be build in so there isn't as much of a rush at the end of a presentation.

Domenick suggested that it would be helpful for CON members, and the community at large, to learn how to plug into existing systems in the city, to not have to reinvent the wheel. There needs to be a primer so everyone can get information about how to participate.

Can CON take positions? Can CON take on an advisory role? There was general agreement that these questions need further discussion, and it was suggested that the City Manager attend a CON meeting early in the fall to talk about this.

CON members were asked to fill out an evaluation of the year's programming. The results are included below.

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

**CON Meeting Topics, September 2016 – June 2017 (11 evaluations turned in)**

Month	Topic	Hit (valuable, interesting)?	Miss (not valuable, interesting)?	I was not at meeting	Would you like to revisit topic next year?	Comments
September	Introduction of Suni Tolton, new Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator; report from board retreat; discussion of CON goals for year; summer event reports.	6	1	4	Yes - 1 No - 1	
October	Brian Dixon, Emergency Management	4	2	2	Yes - 2	In his second year, let's hear progress
	Uki Dale, Surface Water Master Plan	5	1	2	Yes - 2	
November	Sara Lane, City Budget for 2017	8		3	Yes - 3	Valuable, a little dry
	Sheri Ashleman, Working with Volunteers	6	1	2	Yes - 1 No - 1	Excellent; more handouts; too much time allowed
December	Shoreline School District Bond	5		3	Yes - 3	
	LLT – Give and Get. What do our neighborhoods have to share?	5		2	Yes - 2	
January	Communications/Social Media Panel	4	2	1	Yes - 1 No - 1	Horrible, poor delivery
	RADAR Program	6		3	Yes - 3	
February	Give and Get Follow-up	2	2	2		
	Rachael Markle, Shoreline Development	10	1		Yes - 1	Inflexible, difficult to understand; Yes, our neighborhood priorities
March	Margaret King, City Attorney	12			Yes - 4	Yes, prosecution policies/standards
	Suni Tolton, Planning for summer events with an intention to make them more inclusive	5	1	5	Yes - 2	
April	Planning citywide art project for Celebrate Shoreline; brainstorming session with Sara Shedecker	9	1	1		
May						

June	Art project update; honoring retiring board members; review of last year and looking forward to next year.	6			More dialogue
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**Please share your thoughts about the 2017 - 2018 CON year:**

- Continued growth on inclusion/diversity.
- Outreach opportunities/more venues for events, tables.
- Meeting ideas for next year: Stormwater/environment/train gardens/native plants.
- Explore the idea further on using CON as a collective voice about a particular topic citywide.
- Have more time to engage with City Council and other speakers in terms of Q and A, and followup.
- Revisit Economic Development.
- Emerging Management.
- Report from Planning Commission, perhaps quarterly.
- I think we should periodically have CON meetings out in the various neighborhoods, or do some sort of outreach.
- Less diversity - more concrete action and dialogue with each other.
- Work on making the council a known entity in our community.
- Work on increasing membership/involvement in neighborhood associations.

# Summer Neighborhood Events ~ 2017

Note: this list is for CON members and neighborhood association members. Events open to citywide attendance are marked \*\*

## **Bicycle Rodeo And Safety Fair \*\***

Saturday, June 3, 2 - 4 pm  
Sunset School Park,  
17840 10th Avenue NW

## **Hillwood Ice Cream Social**

Wednesday, July 12, 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Hillwood Park, 19001 3rd Avenue NW

## **Echo Lake Work Party and Picnic**

Tuesday, July 18  
Work Party 4 - 6 pm, Picnic 6 - 8 pm  
Echo Lake Park  
15121 N. 200th Street

## **Swingin' Summer Eve Concert and Neighborhood Used Book Sale \*\***

Wednesday, July 19, 5:30 - 8:30 pm  
Cromwell Park, 18030 Meridian Ave. N

## **Richmond Highlands Wet and Wild \*\***

Saturday, July 22, 3—5 pm  
Sunset School Park, 17800 10th Avenue NW

## **CON Summer Picnic**

Tuesday, July 25, 6 - 7:30 pm  
Christine Southwick's Bird Garden  
16376 28th Place NE

## **National Night Out Against Crime\*\***

Tuesday, August 1  
Host a Block Party!

## **Richmond Beach Night Out BBQ**

6 pm until dusk  
RB Community Park, 2201 NW 197th Street

## **4 Corners Brewfest \*\***

Saturday, August 12 - 7 pm (adults only, with fee)  
Innis Arden Clubhouse, 1430 NW 188th St.

## **North City Jazz Walk \*\***

Tuesday, August 15, 7 pm (admission fee)  
15th Ave NE and NE 175th

## **Ridgecrest Ice Cream Social**

Thursday, August 17, 6 pm—dark  
Paramount School Park, 15300 8th Avenue NE

## **Ridgecrest Outdoor Movie Night \*\***

Friday, August 18  
Paramount School Park  
15300 8th Avenue NE

## **Celebrate Shoreline Festival \*\***

Saturday, August 19, 12 - 9 pm  
Cromwell Park, 18030 Meridian Ave. N

## **Sandcastle Building Contest \*\***

Sunday, August 20, 11:30 am - 2 pm  
R.B. Saltwater Park, 2021 NW 190th Street

## **Briarcrest Neighborhood Picnic**

Saturday, August 26, 2 - 7 pm  
Hamlin Park Shelter, 16006 15th Ave NE

## **Ballinger Outdoor Movie Night \*\***

Saturday, August 26  
7 PM Activities, 8:30 pm Movie  
Aldercrest Annex, 2545 NE 200th

## **Food Trucks in Echo Lake \*\***

August 17 and 24, 5-8 pm  
Echo Lake Park, 15121 N 200th Street

## **Food Trucks in Richmond Beach \*\***

August 23, 30, and September 6, 5 - 8 pm  
Richmond Beach Saltwater Park  
2021 NW 190th Street