

**CITY OF SHORELINE
COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS MINUTES**

May 2, 2018
6:30 pm

Shoreline City Hall

COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Ballinger – Judy Moore
Echo Lake – Jay Sundahl, Marla Tullio
Highland Terrace – Maria Ales, Cyndi Robinson
Hillwood - Ann Erickson, Pam Cross
Innis Arden – Domenick Dellino
North City – Dan Dale
Richmond Beach – Tom Petersen
Richmond Highlands - Pete Gerhard, Kathy Plant
Ridgecrest – Ellen Sullivan

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

I. Call to Order

Chair Pete Gerhard called the meeting to order.

II. Review April 4 minutes and May 2 agenda

Both minutes and agenda were approved unanimously.

III. Public Comment

Pete was asked to clarify the public comment period, and he stated that this time is for members of the public. The time to share neighborhood information is closer to the end of meeting, and this evening, will be longer than usual. There were no public comments.

IV. Visiting Councilmember Update

Councilmember Keith Scully began by referring to last month's update when Councilmember Chang shared what topics keep her up at night. He said that he shared her concerns about homelessness and Point Wells, but that Sears wasn't a big issue for him, and he trusted that one will work out.

Councilmember Scully reviewed the work of the Sidewalk Advisory Committee. The projected cost of \$250 Million does not cover sidewalks through the whole city, but only those critical pieces prioritized by the SAC. So, there are two questions: where to find funding, and what comes first? One possible option would be to get developers to help fund the extension of the sidewalks they are required to put in when they build. There are serious conversations going on about this in Council, with an option of adding \$20 to car tab fees to fund repairs of existing sidewalks. There is also a discussion of letting voters decide in November if they support a .2% increase in sales tax to fund new sidewalks. This could raise \$730,000/year, which is a start, but still a far cry from the total amount needed for just the critical priorities defined by SAC.

Q: Have permeable sidewalks been considered?

A: Yes, there has been discussion about this, but we're not at the design stage yet. Councilmember Scully and Rob Beem pointed out that there are two different areas around City Hall that have permeable sidewalks.

Q. With some of the sidewalks in really serious disrepair, would it be less expensive to start new rather than trying to restore them?

A. That is possible, and will be looked at more carefully as projects move forward.

Councilmember Scully addressed the property at 198th and Aurora, owned by the City and being considered for development in partnership with King County. There is a Request for Qualifications out for a development partner right now, and although he cannot say exactly what this project will be, the Councilmember can say it will not be a half-way house or a drug dispensary. He added it will most likely provide housing and services for people at the lowest income level.

Q. Dan Dale (North City) asked for the Councilmember's opinion about King County Housing? What other KCH projects are there in Shoreline besides the newly acquired Ballinger Homes.

A. Rob Beem clarified that this project is being explored with King County, not the King County Housing Authority, which has several sites in the City, including Ballinger Homes.

Q. Domenick Dellino (Innis Arden) asked what kind of services would be offered. Would it be like Ronald Commons?

A. Rob Beem responded again that most likely, services would be similar. And so would the scale of the project, with about as many units as Ronald Commons.

Pam Cross (Hillwood) asked why the Shoreline City Council has not made a decision as other cities have to not offer safe injections sites. Councilmember Scully replied that personally, he wants there to be a full process if and when that decision is considered. He wants Council to have an informed rather than just emotional approach to this issue.

Dan Dale asked about the City's growth and whether we are out ahead of it. The clock is ticking. Has there been any acquisition of new park land yet? Councilmember Scully replied that there has been no property acquisition yet, but that Council is keenly aware of the need. He noted that the North Maintenance Facility in the Ballinger Neighborhood could in time become a park.

Domenick Dellino shared his vision of a more progressive state approach to income tax. He wondered if the City could take a role in making that happen. Councilmember Scully shared his perspective that it is not appropriate for a city to advocate a position about this.

V. Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council Updates

Kelly Lie, Development and Outreach Director, introduced herself and said how much she appreciates the support the Arts Council gets from Shoreline, both from the government and from highly involved residents.

Kelly gave an overview of ongoing programs, including the Gallery at Town Center (in Lake Forest Park, on the lower level, down the escalator from Third Place); ongoing classes for adults at the Shoreline

Center and arts and jazz camps for children in August; an annual fundraising gala (this year's theme is weddings and romance with the arts). In the summer, events include the Shoreline Arts Festival (June 23-24), the concerts in the parks series (Wednesday evenings through August 22nd). And all of this takes volunteers. Kelly encourages interested residents to check out opportunities at <http://www.shorelinearts.net/get-involved/>.

As part of this year's festival, the Arts Council has revived Art from the Attic, an opportunity for people to donate art they no longer want as well as gently used art supplies. These can be dropped off at the Arts Council Office between 10 am – 5 pm, Monday – Thursday (18560 1st Avenue NE).

For a complete listing of Arts Council events this summer, see below.

VI. Public Arts Opportunities

David Francis, Public Arts Coordinator for the City of Shoreline, could not make the meeting, and sent information about public arts opportunities for neighborhoods. Please see below. Constance reminded everyone that it's time for neighborhoods to be thinking about Mini-Grant applications. The process starts with an idea letter, and Constance is happy to help with that.

VII. CON Board Elections

Pete Gerhard, current Chair, explained the election process and asked for nominations from the floor. With none forthcoming, and with quorum achieved, he put forth a slate, which was unanimously approved. The new CON Board is:

Stephanie Angelis (Ballinger) – Chair

Dan Dale (North City) – Vice-Chair

Maria Ales (Highland terrace) – Secretary

Pete will remain on the Board in the Past-Chair Emeritus role.

VIII. FAQs

Pete introduced the Frequently Asked Question document that the CON Board has been working on. The intention is to help new CON members understand what CON is/does, and what they can expect when they come to meetings. It also will help neighborhood associations as they choose CON representatives. This was put together using foundational documents such, including Resolution 54, and newer ones. Pete emphasized this is an evolving document, and encouraged CON members to review it and get back to the Board if they have questions or suggestions.

IX. Neighborhood Reports

- Richmond Highlands will be hosting its third Wet and Wild event at Sunset Park, this year at Sunset School Park. It is open to citywide participation. Kathy Plant reminded everyone that after last year's successful Bicycle Rodeo, RHNA has a manual and equipment available to any other group in Shoreline that wants to do it. She suggested it is an ideal project for 2 to 3 neighborhoods to offer. If anyone is interested in learning more, they can contact either Kathy (bkplant@yahoo.com) or Pete (petegerhard@gmail.com).

- North City will be holding a meeting about crime prevention at the North City Water District on May 15th. They are planning their summer picnic for the end of July at Hamlin Park. And Jazz Walk is scheduled for August 14th, and always welcomes volunteers.
- Echo Lake just had an emergency preparedness focus for the April meeting. In May, Recology will give updates about current recycling practices. ELNA recently had another successful Densmore Pathway clean-up, this time in pouring rain with 18 intrepid volunteers. They are planning for their annual summer picnic and clean-up, and this year they are working with Surface Water staff on a plan to remove invasive cattails at Echo Lake. In August, ELNA will host food trucks again.
- Hillwood just had their first Coffee in the Park event of the year, also in pouring rain, but people showed up, and they discovered bubbles work well even in rainy conditions. They are planning for their Annual meeting, which includes a plant exchange and board elections, the summer Ice Cream Social, and Coffee at the Museum in the fall.
- Meridian Park will have board elections at their May meeting. They are working again with the American Red Cross to have new, 10 year smoke detectors installed in homes on Saturday, May 12. This year, the opportunity is open to the whole city. MPNA is also working with Parks, helping design Darnell park (off the Interurban at about 165th), and they will assist with a clean-up there.
- Highland Terrace is getting ready for their plant sale this coming Saturday, May 5th, starting at 10 am and running until there are no more plants. Sale is at NW160th and 1st NW. On June 3rd, it's Fun and Games in the Park at Shoreview. And book collections have begun for Swingin' Summer Eve.
- Ballinger is having a potluck at their meeting on May 7, and there will be elections. Focus now is on planning National Night Out at Brugger's Bog, and Outdoor Movie Night in late August.
- Richmond Beach has lots going on. The rechannelization of RB Road is underway, and big news is that the Wild Horse property has finally been sold. This Saturday, May 5th, marks 10 years of the RB blood drive. The annual meeting on May 8 includes volunteer appreciation. And of course, the big Richmond Beach celebration/Strawberry Festival is coming up on Saturday, May 12th. Hearings in Snohomish County about Point Wells are scheduled for May 15 – 17, and this will be the time for public comment about the newest development proposals. May 19th is Garage Sale Day, and RBCA is planning for their annual NNO party, this year featuring musicians Whateverly Brothers.
- Ridgecrest is at the heart of the Million Step Challenge, now underway through the rest of May. The annual garage sale is on June 2. And a message from Patty Hale: if neighborhoods are looking for volunteers to help with events, they should promote through Facebook job ads.

X. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report

*Constance reported that the City is working with Metro on 6 bus shelters throughout the city that will have historical murals on them. She will be in touch soon with neighborhoods where there will be shelters to see: 1) if there are historic pictures that can be used (must be high resolution), 2) and if

anyone would like to be involved in choosing photos that will come from Shoreline Historical Museum, the Seattle Municipal Archives, and possibly MOHAI.

*New welcome packets are on their way. Constance is in process of putting the balance of information from the old packets onto the new City website "New Residents" page. Once that is done, and a simple, memorable link is developed, she will have magnets made. Neighborhoods will still distribute packets of info from other organizations in the city, and a welcome letter from the Neighborhood Association, along with the magnets. We should be able to do our first distribution of these in June.

*Constance asked again for feedback about summer CON events, and said that there will be more information once decisions are made about both a Leader's Picnic and Celebrate Shoreline.

Rob mentioned that NUHSA (North Urban Human Services Alliance) will be sponsoring a tour of Ronald Commons on May 17th, from 4 to 6 pm, as part of Affordable Housing Week. Participants are welcome to stay for the community dinner that evening.

Reminder: Open House at City Hall for Police Station is on June 2nd. Watch for more information soon.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council

What's Happening for Spring & Summer - - -

Thru May 12: Art Gallery @ Town Center, current exhibit featuring two Shorecrest High School teachers, Laura King & Craig van den Bosch

May 22: Family Series event in partnership with King County Library System, *Better Cell Phone Photography*, Lake Forest Park Library from 7-8:30 p.m.

May 19: Gala for the Arts, wedding themed: a celebration of our union between the arts & the community

June 23-24: Shoreline Arts Festival

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, sign-up at <http://www.shorelinearts.net/get-involved/>

July 11: kicks off the **Summer Concert Series** (see complete schedule below)

Summer Arts Camps & Jazz Camp, late July thru mid-August

<http://www.shorelinearts.net/camps/>

All Year Round, support us with a membership!

<http://www.shorelinearts.net/membership/>

The Concerts in the Park

all shows start at 6:30 p.m., *except 7/18 which starts at 7 p.m.

July 11 - *Deseo Carmin* @ Animal Acres Park
sultry fusion of Latin, Jazz-Funk & passionate Flamenco

July 18* - *Petty Thief* @ Cromwell Park
Tom Petty tribute band for Swingin' Summer's Eve

July 25 - Shakespeare in the Park @ Richmond Beach Community Park
Merry Wives of Windsor

August 1 - *JHP Band* @ Cromwell Park,
African Drum Band

August 8 - *CoCo Loco* @ Animal Acres Park
Popular classics from Cuba, Colombia, Brazil, Mexico and Venezuela

August 15 - *The Irish Experience* @ Kruckeberg Botanical Garden
Celtic Music

August 22 - *Highway 9 Band* @ Cromwell Park
American Country Music

Shoreline Public Art Program Spring Summer 2018 UPDATE

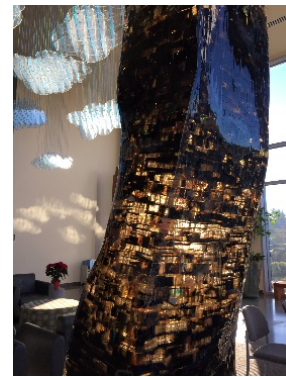
Public art throughout the city; services for local artists include portfolio review, career development, grant assistance, locating exhibition space. David Francis, PhD, Curator / Public Art Coordinator, dfrancis@shorelinewa.gov, 206-801-2661; mornings M-Th at City Hall (4th floor) & by arrangement. <http://shorelinewa.gov/art>; <https://www.facebook.com/shorelineart/>

Arts Events at Shoreline City Hall

Art Gallery HOURS, M-F, 9:00-5:00; weekends by arrangement
17500 Midvale Ave N; 206-801-2661

LOBBY

Ongoing, *Augmented Nature*, sign posts with augmented-reality content activated through QR codes for smartphones (Lobby); bring your smartphone, download the app, scan the QR code and watch the magic!



Augmented Nature sign posts

Peppé: *Swirling Cherry*

Alan Fulle: *Black Tower*

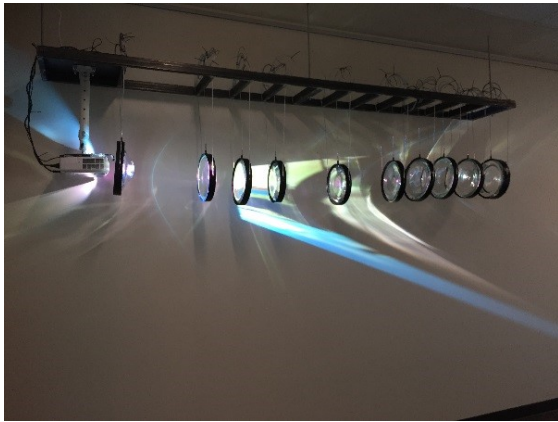
2nd Floor

May 8 -- September 28, Amy Pleasant: *Lesson Learned* **Opening Reception Tuesday May 8, 6:30 – 8:30 pm**; on view through July 20, 2018; Shoreline artist Amy Pleasant presents new work focusing on her years in the classroom and by extension the ongoing issue of education in America. "Lessons Learned" documents the rise of a younger generation more engaged in social activism as evinced by the recent emergence of the "March for Our Lives" movement.



Photos: Amy Pleasant, *What is Not Seen*, 2018; *Broken Heart*, 2018 (courtesy of the artist)

3rd Floor, 4th Floor



ENDS MAY 20: Alan Fulle, *Lighting the Lens*, video, glass, 2017; experimental project that plays 15 minute video on the hour.

The outdoor version (image above, right) is being retooled and will be ready soon at Shoreview Park. (On view through 2018)

COMING SOON: TBD Titled Group Exhibition (\$10,000 purchase fund), June 9 – Sept. 28

Opening Reception, Sat. June 9, 6:30 – 8:30

OUTDOOR PUBLIC ART

Temporary Public Art: *Groundswell*, environmental art projects in City parks, TBA; *Technature*, grant-funded projects exploring art, nature, and technology at Shoreview Park, Hamlin Park, and elsewhere, summer 2018; *Pop-Up Pianos* return to city streets mid-July through early September.

Permanent Public Art: 27 artworks in City's collection plus 19 more managed by other agencies; walking tour map at <http://www.shorelinewa.gov/government/departments/parks-recreation-cultural-services/events-arts-and-culture/public-art-program/public-art-map>; tours by arrangement through Public Art Coordinator (contact info above); major new commission coming at Park at Town Center Fall 2018. Latest updates at [facebook.com/shorelineart](https://www.facebook.com/shorelineart);

**PLUS A MAJOR NEW COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR TOWN CENTER PARK
EXPECTED IN JUNE, TO BE FOLLOWED BY OPEN HOUSE**

Neighborhood Art Activation

(more info here: <http://www.shorelinewa.gov/home/showdocument?id=31575>)

One of our goals for the Public Art Plan 2017 – 2022 is creating more neighborhood art projects like

- Temporary sculptures in right of way, pocket parks, traffic circles
- Murals, painted fire hydrants,
- Vinyl wraps on traffic signal boxes
- Scarecrow art-contest in pea-patches
- Public Art Program seeks interested neighborhoods; funding available; contact info at top

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) About the Council of Neighborhoods (CON)

What is CON?

The Council of Neighborhoods (CON) is all about relationships. It consists of Shoreline's relational leaders, two from each of Shoreline's 14 neighborhoods. Gathering monthly, these leaders learn from one another, interact over common neighborhood issues, and receive valuable insights and information to take back to their neighborhoods. They also develop important and influential relationships with City Council members, City staff, and non-profit leaders.

What is the purpose of CON?

We contribute to the unfolding history of our city by vigorously pursuing our stated mission to "provide leadership in strengthening and connecting Shoreline's diverse neighborhoods." We also grow together in our skill as neighborhood leaders and benefit from working together on events and projects to better our neighborhoods.

How did it start?

The Council of Neighborhoods was formed in 1996 as a result of Shoreline City Council's belief in the value of citizen participation through formal neighborhood organizations as an integral part of its service to the community. City Council Resolution 54 established the Council of Neighborhoods with a mission to promote interaction, communication and fellowship within the new, 6-month old, City of Shoreline: *"There is hereby created the Council of Neighborhoods. The Council shall be supported by the City and recognized for the purpose of communication among the neighborhood organizations."* This builds a strong foundation of neighborhood associations working together toward the common good.

How does CON make a difference in the City of Shoreline?

CON strengthens neighborhoods and the relational fabric of the City. It promotes relationships and cooperation between neighborhoods. It helps to keep residents informed about what is happening in the City so they can engage in public debate and dialog. We help neighborhood leaders educate their residents on ways they can promote change. CON representatives have many opportunities to relate to City Council members, key members of City staff, and other leaders in Shoreline, thus opening pathways for influence.

What is the role of a CON representative?

CON representatives act as a liaison for their neighborhood. They bring their perspective on their neighborhood and the city to CON. They flavor their neighborhood with what has influenced them at CON meetings. They return to their neighborhoods with valuable information, publicity and insights they can pass on to their neighborhood's board and residents.

Neighborhood representatives support each other and share resources and information with other neighborhoods both formally and informally. Representatives interact at CON meetings, but also call on each other for assistance and information outside the meetings. And they support the events of other neighborhoods by publicizing them and volunteering as they are able.

As a CON representative, what will I do at CON meetings?

Get to know other CON representatives

Interact over neighborhood and leadership themes

Listen with a view to

communicating what you hear to your neighborhood leadership board and residents taking any appropriate actions in your neighborhood.

Contribute to the CON learning environment

Learn from others

Share what you are learning as a neighborhood leader

Update CON on upcoming events in your neighborhood

Is CON an advisory body to the City?

It is not. The City established CON “for the purpose of communication among the neighborhood organizations.”

Our questions and comments during CON meetings are influential, as City Council members and City staff get a feel for our thoughts and concerns. Constance Perenyi, City Neighborhoods Coordinator, and Rob Beem, City Community Services Manager, attend all of our meetings and also carry our concerns and interests into their dealings with other City Staff.

CON meetings provide opportunity for representatives to meet and interact with City Council members and City staff. These interactions help establish relationships that can lead to further opportunities to influence the City.

Are there things CON doesn't do?

Yes. CON is focused on strengthening neighborhood boards and associations, and on networking neighborhoods to achieve more than they could do on their own. We support, but in no way replace, the work of individual neighborhood associations where the really heavy lifting is done. Because CON members have responsibilities within their own neighborhood boards and associations, CON is careful to add value and not more work or busyness to its representatives.

What are the foundational documents for CON?

The City of Shoreline Resolution No. 54 which established CON in 1996

The CON By-Laws

CON's Guiding Principles (Vision, Mission and Values)

This document gives us our compass bearings as a group. It is the result of years of conversation within CON, and is a living and fluid document, changing as needed to serve CON.

CON's Goals and Action Items for the current year.

For additional questions or more information, please contact Constance Perenyi, Neighborhoods Coordinator for the City of Shoreline at (206) 801-2253 or cperenyi@shorelinewa.gov.