

**Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Coalition
Board Meeting
Monday, February 2nd, 2015 – 7 to 9pm
SE Uplift Fireside Conference Room
3534 SE Main St.
Portland OR 97214**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Presenter(s)</i>	<i>Info</i>	<i>Disc</i>	<i>Action</i>
7:00 (15 min)	Welcome Introductions, approve agenda and January minutes	Gardner	X	X	X
7:15 (30 min)	Land Use Update	Kellett	X	X	
7:45 (15 min)	Approve Small Grant recipients	Fedderson	X	X	
8:00 (10 min)	Break				
8:10 (20 min)	Update Street Fee status, review draft letter requesting fee refund.	Gardner, Excomm	X	X	X
8:30 (20 min)	Neighborhood Reports, discussion	all	X	X	
8:50 (10 min)	Strategic Plan update	Dufay, excomm	X	X	
9:00	Adjourn	Gardner			

Next Board Meeting:
3/2/2015
SE Uplift Fireside Room
3534 SE Main St

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD
SOUTHEAST UPLIFT (SEUL) NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION
Monday January 5, 2015, 7:00PM @ 3534 SE Main Street, Portland Oregon 97214 (Fireside Room)

There was sufficient attendance to constitute a quorum, listed as follows:

SEUL Board Members Present (P) / Not Present (N)
P - Ardenwald-Johnson Creek - Marianne Colgrove
P - Brentwood-Darlington - Sara Clark
N - Brooklyn - Wendy Miller
P - Buckman - Greg Moulliet
P - Creston-Kenilworth - Tyler King
P - Eastmoreland - Robert McCullough* (President)
N - Foster-Powell - *vacant*
N - Hosford-Abernathy - Bill Crawford
N - Kerns - G.T. Meili
P - Laurelhurst - Don Gardner*

N - Montavilla - Peter Maris* (Treasurer)
P - Mt. Scott Arleta - Scott Vala*
N - Mt. Tabor - Paul Leistner
P - North Tabor - Cathy Riddell
N - Reed - James Hager
N - Richmond - Cliff Hutchinson
N - Sellwood-Moreland - Vacant
P - South Tabor - Eric Lozano
P - Sunnyside - Jeff Cole* (Secretary)
P - Woodstock - Moshe Lenske
* member, ExComm

SEUL At-large Board Members:

P - Mandy Heaton
P - Mary Ann Schwab
P - Michael Sonnleitner

Guests:

Karen Tosi - Eastmoreland NA

SEUL Staff:

P - Anne Dufay - Executive Director
P - Bob Kellett - Land Use, Sustainability, and
Transportation Manager
P - Ashe Urban - Community Outreach Coordinator
N - Kelly Feddersen - Community Outreach
Coordinator
N - Jay Derderian - Administrative Assistant
P - Katy Asher - Community Outreach Coordinator

Agenda Items:

- 1) **Introduce Katy Asher - new SEUL Outreach Coordinators**
- 2) **Round of Introductions**
- 3) **Neighborhood Reports:**
 - **Don Gardner brought up funding of Projects** seeking clarity in grant application (Neighborhood Small Grants), project funding. Ashe explained fiscal sponsorship - SEUL extending its 501c3 status to other entities. Sponsored Project becomes active part of SEUL and still must satisfy NA and SEUL mission. Extended discussion.
 - **Cathy Riddell explained that North Tabor** at last meeting voted to support Street Fee proposal as it existed at time of its vote.
 - **Mandy Heaton reports Reed is opening up Child Care center** in late 2015 or 2016 at corner of SE Steele/28th.
- 4) **Street Fee Update by Robert McCullough.** A review of PBOT Commercial Street Fee calculation & document history, court motions, and McCullough Research report based on released PBOT documents. Request for board to cover PBOT fees paid by Robert McCullough. Originally \$2720; reduced to \$2500. Donations have been received to partially cover the expense. Excomm had already voted to put motion before the board - *"Should the fees charged by PBOT to provide the records as requested as part of SEUL's public record request for street fee information be upheld Southeast Uplift will pay those fees up to \$2720, minus any donations from the public to cover this expense."* \$1360 in prepayment by Robert McCullough. McCullough presented overview on the process and update. Motion to cover expense minus donations (to be refunded if fees reversed) - *Passed Unanimously.*

- Motion (Gardner): SEUL to draft short letter to constituent NAs and other coalitions and other relevant organizations (e.g. Portland Business Alliance).** *Passed Unanimously.*
- 5) **Proposed letter (Mary Ann Schwab) from SEUL to Portland City Council regarding Mt. Tabor Reservoir.** Motion to send letter with amended edits. *Passed: 8 in favor, 5 abstain.*
- 6) **Motion (Mary Ann Schwab):** To support two documents prepared by MTNA to Historic Landmarks Commission and to the State Historic Preservation Office (HLC). No one from MTNA available to speak directly on motion. *Not passed: Favor 3, Opposed 7, Abstain 3.*
- 7) **Treasurer's Report** - No report. Treasurer not available.
- 8) **Comp Plan Update (Bob Kellett)** - skipped due to lack of time. To be rescheduled.
- 9) Board Training - Our ONI Grant Contract. - skipped due to lack of time. To be rescheduled.
- 10) **Motion to Approve new Communication Policy.** *Passed Unanimously.*

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on time with approval of all.

_____/Secretary

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SEULXCOMM)
SOUTHEAST UPLIFT NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION

Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 4:45pm @ Migration Brewing, Portland Oregon

SEULxcomm Members Attending: Jeff Cole, Scott Vala, Robert McCullough, Don Gardner, Peter Maris

SEULxcomm Members Not Attending:

Also attending: Anne Dufay

A quorum was present; Robert called the meeting to order.

Agenda Items:

- 1) **Street Fee Update Part 1** - Robert presented dismissal letter, Stipulation of Dismissal, signed by Jennifer Johnston, city of Portland, which precludes future of awards of fees or costs to either party. **Motion to have attorney Buschal sign settlement letter - passed unanimously.**
- 2) **Street Fee Update Part 2- Regarding Fees already charged and paid for PDX Street Fee Calculation documents.** Agreement to talk to contacts at City Hall to try and get fees dropped.
- 3) **Projector** - consensus it should face south and SEUL should purchase higher quality projector. Move ahead with procurement (Project already approved).
- 4) **Financials** - Anne: almost ready to close out FY 2013-2014. Agreement with CPA last year will be closed soon. Don suggested for Mar board meeting we should have summary of financials to look at. Anne said we should have materials for Excomm to look at in Feb.

Meeting was adjourned with majority heading over to Kerns Neighborhood Association meeting..

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON
FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

SOUTHEAST UPLIFT NEIGHBORHOOD
PROGRAM, INC., an Oregon nonprofit
corporation,

Case No. 14CV18986

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL

Plaintiff,

v.

CITY OF PORTLAND,

Defendant.

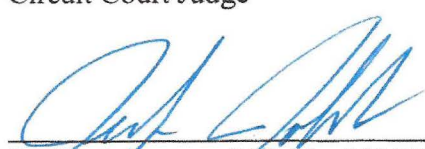
Pursuant to ORCP 54, this action is dismissed with prejudice and without any award of costs or fees to either party.

Dated: January ____, 2015.

Circuit Court Judge



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	G Hours	T Hours	K Hours		G Rate	T Rate	K Rate		G Fee	T Fee	K Fee	Total Fee
Option 3:												
• VI. BLIS_Categories_x (Excel Workbook)	5.5	2.5	1.5		\$ 175.00	\$ 76.95	\$ 84.19		\$ 962.50	\$ 192.38	\$ 126.29	\$ 1,281.16
• VII. Cayenta Comm Category.xlsx	5.5	2.5	1.5		\$ 175.00	\$ 76.95	\$ 84.19		\$ 962.50	\$ 192.38	\$ 126.29	\$ 1,281.16
Total												\$ 2,562.32
												Paid 12/12 \$ 1,360.00
												Due 12/23 \$ 1,202.32

Commissioner Novick
1221 SW 4th Avenue
Suite 210
Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Commissioner Novick,

Southeast Uplift, a neighborhood coalition representing twenty Southeast and Northeast neighborhoods, is requesting that the fee charged by the City for providing public information on the proposed commercial street fee be waived.

At a November 3, 2014 meeting the Southeast Uplift Board of Directors asked for a copy of the calculations used to develop the proposed commercial street fee. Portland Bureau of Transportation staff assured us that would not be a problem and the information would be forthcoming.

When the promised materials were not provided by November 12, 2014 Southeast Uplift made a formal public document request. When, by the end of November, there had been no response from the City and the materials requested were still not provided Southeast Uplift filed an appeal with the District Attorney. On December 10, 2014 a hearing was held at the district court and the materials were promised for December 22, 2014, provided Southeast Uplift paid up to \$3520.00 for the cost of the Portland Bureau of Transportation to gather the material. At that time our representative paid 50 % of the estimated amount. On December 23, 2014 after threat of a contempt complaint the City finally delivered three small spreadsheets.

The final bill presented to SEUL is slightly more than \$2500.00 for supposedly 19 hours of work to redact privileged information. The information we requested was readily available on an electronic spreadsheet and the only redactions needed were to delete business names. This is at most a few minutes work!

The data that we requested should have been available as part of the initial public information provided to citizens when asking their support for a new fee or tax. The calculations and formulas used to determine the basis of a new fee or tax are essential information the public needs to adequately understand and evaluate a major revenue proposal. Unfortunately, in this instance, it appears that errors were made by not providing this information to the public early in the process. This error was compounded by staff first agreeing the information would be made available then refusing to disclose it thereby necessitating legal action on our part.

Your directing the Portland Bureau of Transportation to waive this charge would demonstrate that the City of Portland continues to value public involvement and transparency in government.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

On behalf of the Southeast Uplift Board of Directors,