

**Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Coalition
Board Meeting
Tuesday October 5th, 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 (10 min)	Welcome Introductions, approve agenda and Sept minutes	McCullough	X	X	X
7:10 (30 min)	Enter Executive Session to review/deliberate on recommendation of Grievance Committee on Grievance Appeal submitted re Richmond NA grievance decision	McCullough	X	X	
7:40 (10 min)	Exit Executive Session, vote on Grievance appeal recommendation	McCullough,	X	X	X
7:50 (10 min)	Break	all			
8:00 (30 min)	Commissioner Novick, discussion/Q&A re Street fee and how to better involve the NAs	all	X	X	
8:30 (10 min)	Treasurers Report	Maris	X	X	
8:40 (10 min)	Update Bylaws committee	Colgrove, Lenske, all	X	X	
8:50 (10 min)	Neighborhood Updates	All	X	X	
9:00	Adjourn	McCullough			

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MEMORANDUM

Date: September 28, 2015

To: Mayor Hales
Commissioner Fritz
Commissioner Fish
Commissioner Novick
Commissioner Saltzman

From: Southeast Uplift Board of Directors

Subject: Annual Disaster Preparedness Event

Southeast Uplift calls upon the city of Portland to work with Multnomah county to host and promote an annual event akin to the 2012 ResiliencePDX.¹ Preferably, such a session would be best held on an annual basis and on a similar schedule each year.

We are concerned that the businesses and residents of Portland are far from prepared for the major seismic event we know is coming, and it will take years of sustained effort to get to a place where our homes and workplaces are safe, and people have what they need to survive for the days or weeks it will take for help to arrive.

This is a real, ongoing threat to the existence of this city we love. As it stands, when this earthquake hits, it will take months to restore services. If our citizens don't have the resources they need to continue their lives, there will be a large scale exodus, which will cause many businesses to close and eliminate jobs, which in turn will drive more people away. Even with federal help, this region could be devastated for decades. The city and county should join the neighborhoods and do everything they can to prevent that - by raising awareness and helping people get ready.

Thank you,

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¹ <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/pbem/article/399174>) Disaster Preparedness Expo of 2012



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Subject: Updating and Correcting Portland's Tree Codes

A recent Oregonian article has indicated that three of the five commissioners would like to address the problems in the current code. As you know, ongoing disputes are taking place in two of our neighborhoods between neighbors and environmental advocates, on one hand, and Everett Custom Homes, on the other. These disputes concern cutting large significant trees – trees whose age, size, and species would be eligible for protection in most cities but are not in Portland.

A central issue turns out to be the relatively insignificant fee that allows a builder to remove a heritage tree.

The Southeast Uplift board ardently requests that you address this while many of our beloved neighborhood trees still stand.

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD
SOUTHEAST UPLIFT (SEUL) NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION
Monday July 6th, 2015, 7:00PM @ 3534 SE Main Street, Portland Oregon 97214 (Fireside Room)

There was sufficient attendance to constitute a quorum. Robert McCullough called the meeting to order.

P - Present N - Not Present

SEUL Board Members

P - Ardenwald-Johnson Creek - Marianne Colgrove
P - Brentwood-Darlington - Sara Clark
N - Brooklyn - Wendy Miller
NA - Buckman - Vacant
P - Creston-Kenilworth - Tyler King*
P - Eastmoreland - Robert McCullough* (President)
NA- Foster-Powell - *vacant*
P - Hosford-Abernathy - Bill Crawford
P- Kerns - Rai Mckenzie
P - Laurelhurst - Don Gardner*
P - Montavilla - Peter Maris* (Treasurer)
P - Mt. Scott Arleta - Scott Vala*
P- Mt. Tabor (MTNA) - Paul Leistner
P - North Tabor - Cathy Riddell
NA - Reed - *vacant*
NA - Richmond - *vacant*
NA - Sellwood-Moreland - *vacant*
NA - South Tabor - *vacant*
P - Sunnyside - Reuben Deumling
P - Woodstock - Moshe Lenske
* member, ExComm

SEUL At-large Board Members:

P - Mandy Heaton (Reed College)
P - Michael Molinaro (Sunnyside)
N - Mary Ann Schwab (Sunnyside)
P - Michael Sonnleitner
P - Ann Sanderson
P - Terry Dublinski-Milton

SEUL Staff:

P - Anne Dufay - Executive Director

N - Ashe Urban - Outreach and Communications Program & Fiscal Sponsorship Manager
N - Kelly Fedderson - Community Resource manager & Newsletter Editor
N - Jay Derderian - Senior Administrator
P - Bob Kellett - Neighborhood Planning Program manager
N - Katy Asher - Community Outreach Coordinator

Welcome, Introductions, approve agenda and June Minutes

Robert McCullough calls the meeting to order followed by introductions. Robert moves to add a report on a recent meeting with Steve Novick to the agenda. Michael Sonnleitner asks to add a discussion on homelessness and R2Dreamtoo to the agenda. Jeff Cole asks to update the board on the Washington High School (WA-Mo) site. These items will be added in lieu of a break.

Don moves to approve minutes, Michael Sonnleitner seconds. Michael abstains. Passes unanimously

Accept Jeff Cole's resignation as Sunnyside Representative to SE Uplift Board and Mary Ann Schwab's resignation as an At-Large Director

Peter Marris moves to thank both for their service and accept the resignation, Moshe Lenske seconds. Passes unanimously.

Seat New Directors

Denise Hare (Richmond) and Reuben Deumling (Sunnyside) are put forth for seating.

Moeshe moves to approve Denise Hare, Sarah Clark seconds. Passes unanimously.

Moeshe moves to approve Reuben, Mandy Heaton seconds. Passes unanimously.

Jeff Cole is proposed to be seated as an at-large member. Discussion:

Don Gardner brings up that "terms" as per our bylaws which is in opposition ONI contract. We need to change our bylaws, which is in process. Moeshe moves to elect Jeff to the board for remainder of Mary Ann Schwab's term (through June 30th). Michael Sonnleitner seconds. 15 in favor, one opposed. Scott and Don abstained.

Approve New Excomm Members Check signing authority, remove previous member's authority

Peter moves to have Robert , Don, Peter, Scott, Anne and Tyler be check signers. Moeshe seconds. All in favor, Tyler King abstains.

Richmond Neighborhood Association Grievance update-

Ann presents. We do not need bylaw changes in regards to the grievance. We can just follow ONI standards in how we deal with the grievance. Since they were deadlocked at Richmond, an appeal is brought to our board. From there they can appeal to ONI. She is calling for a committee and if anyone is interested. Looking for three people. SEUL has 60 days to respond.

The general grievance: RNA code of ethics requires all board members to treat each other with dignity and respect. Doug Klotz is accused of going against this by calling current board "less than bike friendly" prior to election on a public listserv.

Ann wants to make sure that the committee is not stacked with folks already party to the greivence. Michael Sonnleitner asks no Richmond residents should be on the committee.

Reuben offers to volunteer, however he states that he is familiar with both parties. Nate Smith is attending his first meeting and volunteers for the meeting.

Seat Nate Smith

Buckman resident, elected in June to serve on the board as their representative. Reuben moves to seat, Don Seconds, all in favor.

Richmond Neighborhood Association Grievance update (cont.)

Mandy moves to establish a committee of three. Don seconds. Passes unanimously.

Terry, Nate, Gail, Sarah and Reuben all volunteer. Motion by Mandy for Sarah, Gail, and Nate to be appointed to the committee. Marianne Colgrove seconds. Passes unanimously. Nate abstains.

Report is expected at the next meeting.

Street Fee Update

Steve has expressed interest in including SEUL in the discussions about the street fee. Don and Robert meet with him and said we are interested in transparency and process but not necessarily ultimate policy. This will be a continuing discussion. Ann Sanderson brings up the challenges that Venture Portland faced in the last round of discussions on the street fee. SEUL might have similar problems.

Robert states that his day job is overlapping with this issue. At some point he might be testifying on these issues. He will not represent himself as part of SEUL or Eastmoreland if he does. He also is willing to abstain if the board has problem with him doing so.

Amy from Parks Budget update

For the first time citizens were invited to be on the budget committee two years ago. We have \$44mm in a backlog of unmanaged maintenance issues. Going forward if there are concerns for parks and funding please let Amy know because she is the voice on the committee for Southeast Portland.

Homelessness Update

Last update is the City has authorized the purchase of SE 3rd and Harrison site. Current status is not known right now. More campgrounds are probably in the pipeline. Robert is going to follow-up with Mayor's office at the City to get an update.

WA-MO

Jeff Cole presents. in 2004 SEUL approved a letter to Commissioner Franscesconi to keep a 20 year old promise to furnish a community center for SEUL at the former site of the Washington Monroe High School. City purchased 4.5 acres of open space from portland public schools for \$5.4MM. There is 1.31 acres still owned by portland schools, City of Portland has first right of refusal through next year. Jeff is not asking for action, however he would like to take a temperature of the coalition neighborhoods on their interest in pushing this project through.

Treasurer's Report - call for new treasurer

This item is put on hold.

Land Use Committee Update

Residential infill stakeholder committee.

Bob - No meeting in August. Next meeting September 21st and PBOT is coming in to speak. Permit parking policy, as well as traffic diverters. No action with land use policy and procedure since the July SEUL Meeting.

Michael Morino report : Residential infill stakeholder committee is coming up. He is asking neighborhoods what the sense of fabric is of their neighborhood. And where they want the city to go with these infill issues. Zoning ordinance will be on the table.

Terry - Meeting is happening about dropping speed limit on stark from 12th to Montivilla neighborhood.

The committee that created the original land use policies, will be reconvening. Don requests the draft policy get out sooner rather than later so board members can review.

Update Bylaws Committee

We are going to have dual process for at-large board members versus neighborhood representatives. The new grievance procedures need to be part of this as well. Clarity is needed for terms and powers. Marianne would like time at the next meeting to discuss the draft and then the next month we can vote to approve.

Neighborhood Updates

Woodstock gives back on Sunday 10-6 (September 13). It is a coordinated day of giving. 34 businesses have picked 34 charities to donate to.

Marianne Colgrove - new max line is coming! big event at the park and ride 10-6 on Saturday.

HAND - William Crawford - is also having a celebration for the new max line.

Michael Sonnleitner - Montivilla jazz festival was a big success as well as a recent street fair on Stark. Montivilla Neighborhood Association has gone from 11 to 5 board members over the last year. In October they will be having a re-building election.

Mandy Heaton - Reed college is fighting bike thefts. If anyone on your association board would like to be looped-in let Mandy know. Community 5K for September 26th for Portland public schools. Free pancakes at that event.

Terry SE 53rd and Everett painting is done and looks good.

Sunday parkways - Anne is looking for tabling volunteers at the event. Staff and board members are encouraged to participate. September 27th.

Meeting adjourned.

SE Uplift Executive Committee Minutes

Wednesday, September 16, 2015, 5:30 PM @ SE Uplift (3534 SE Main St)

SE Uplift Executive Committee Members in Attendance: Scott Vala, Peter Maris, Don Gardner, Tyler King, Robert McCullough

Others in Attendance: Rob Fullmer (NWDA), Ashe Urban (staff), Anne Dufay (staff)

Quorum confirmed

NWDA Emergency Preparedness Proposal

Talking to coalitions to sponsor a resolution to ask the city to do an annual seismic resiliency event. City had one 2012 but not one since. Copy of letter template was distributed. Portland is not prepared for the expected large earthquake. The goal is to have an annual event. Peter moves to write and submit the letter based on the submitted template to the city and county heads, Don seconds. Passes unanimously.

Review Fiscal Sponsor Program (presented by Ashe)

SEUL is looking to raise the admin fee for fiscal sponsorships. We asked for a rough breakdown of her hours and she submitted an updated version of this. Fiscal sponsorship is essentially half of her time at this point. Currently we are not taking in any new fiscal sponsorships. We currently charge 7.5% for community orgs. Locally we find other coalitions charging 0 to 15%. and nationally it varies, but is around 10% - 15%.

Don thinks it might be a good role for a sub-committee to determine appropriate fees for fiscal sponsorships. Sarah Clark and Peter Maris will be appointed as the committee to work on the fiscal sponsorship issues.

-RECODE

Still having trouble finding a new fiscal sponsor. They have a couple of options still, same as last month. It is proposed to raise their admin fees to further encourage them to find another fiscal sponsorship. Anne thinks we should speak to the lawyer about charging them additional fees. Fact is, they do not conform to our mission and need to be removed from our umbrella. Anne will update after speaking with the lawyer. It is proposed that after January 1, 2016 we will freeze their account.

Ashe is asking for a letter to present to Recode. One will be prepared by Robert.

Update Richmond - status of Doug Klotz recall

Recall vote was Monday night and there were approximately 260 people present, 252 voted. $\frac{2}{3}$ majority required to recall and they were short by one vote. Some have asked for a challenge of the recall vote.

Update Montavilla

The suit with Department of Justice has been withdrawn. A claim was made to the insurance company, so they will hold it for 60 days even though the suit is withdrawn.

Building reserve update

It appears that SEUL has an additional \$12K in the budget that has been put into our building reserve. The xcomm can make a recommendation for the funds' use. Staff would like to see the main floor painted. Don suggests getting a clearer picture on where the money came from and what would be appropriate use of the \$12K surplus funds.

Grievance Progress Update

Meeting on Saturday to do a training with the sub-committee. From there they can make decisions on moving forward.

Cindy Cumfer Meeting Update

She is retiring this year. She said that we handled the Jeff Cole situation appropriately. Staff should be encouraged to remind directors and neighborhood associations that they have to follow their bylaws.

Bylaws Updates

There is a question of executive power of committees, and specifically the land use committee. No other land use committees in the city have executive authority.

Another questions is terms. In regards to the neighborhoods, we seat neighborhood association reps on the board. We cannot reject them. The board seats are the neighborhood associations to fill. We have no real process for at-large board member and the bylaws committee needs to determine how at-large members are elected.

Anne suggests having Cindy Cumfer review our bylaws after we finish updating them. This will probably cost a few thousand dollars.

McCullough/Wheeler Meeting

Asks that Robert made:

We increase budget to individual neighborhood associations to make them more viable.

Use the neighborhoods as a source of information and a temperature taking tool for the city.

Scott asks for Robert to ask both mayoral candidates about the WA/MO community center.

McCullough Tree Code Letter

Oregonian notes 3 of the 5 commissioners are not happy with the current tree code. Robert asks to write a letter to the city asking for the city to re-look at the tree code. Scott moves to send the letter. Peter seconds. Passes unanimously.

Meeting is adjourned.