

Marylhurst Neighborhood Association

September 24, 2019 Meeting Minutes

President Oakes called the meeting to order at 7:15, noting a quorum not present. Five members present held an informal meeting. The meeting followed the agenda.

Minutes August 27, 2019 draft was read and approval was deferred to the next meeting.

Reports

Neighborhood Association Presidents meeting heard a presentation by Deputy City Manager John Williams about the land-use process and the Comprehensive Plan. In response to NAP query about DO insurance for NAs board members, City Attorney Tim Ramis said the insurer for the City was not interested in providing it and he recommended NAs have it and seek other insurer.

Ms. Lipton, member, mentioned the WL Chamber does something similar for a reasonable cost. President Oakes will take the information to the next NAP meeting. . NAP now meets every other month.

Committee for Citizen Involvement didn't meet

Marylhurst roadside conditions President Oakes emailed City engineer Lance Calvert about erosion of stormwater ditch and invading blackberries along Marylhurst DR. He said the property owner is responsible for maintenance of the right of way (vegetation and stormwater ditch) adjacent to the property. He referred to Municipal Code 5.470 for noxious vegetation.

Members reviewed codes 5.470 and codes for surface water management: 4.065 City responsibilities and 4.070 private responsibilities. They understood them to mean the City is responsible for open roadside drainage ditches and the property owner is responsible for driveway culverts and vegetation in the public right of way (ROW) adjacent the property.

In response to President Oakes' question are the numerous property owners adjacent to the undeveloped 60' street ROW for View DR extending from location of the Marylhurst Heights sign into Skyline Ridge Neighborhood are responsible for vegetation, Mr. Calvert said yes and it likely is maintained as native landscape at very little or no cost. President Oakes disagreed with this assumption but didn't receive a response.

President Oakes offered to share the email and will continue this item on the next agenda when she has met with City staff and has clarification.

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Marylhurst Heights Sign Landscaping Members reviewed the draft Request for Proposal (RFP) that she will send to landscapers to bid. She asked Mr. Randall if the City would partner with MNA and clear the area around the sign of weeds and blackberries as it had done before when

the sign was installed. Mr. Randall said the City is no longer doing that and the adjoining property owners were responsible for the ROW. He recommended contacting code enforcement.

President Oakes reminded members we will need a quorum next month to vote to accept a bid and allocate funding.

Citizen Vision Goals President Oakes explained the Citizen Vision Goals are a replacement for the Council Goals that were removed from the Comprehensive Plan years ago. Council has asked neighborhood associations for any recommendations for approval. This item will be continued on the next agenda.

Labyrinth Mr. New reported the City can't maintain it and will take it out per Parks Assistant Director Ken Warner. Mr. New suggested we have clean-up day and interested members present agreed to Saturday, October 5 from 10am-12pm. President Oakes will email to members.

Announcements The Parks and Recreation Master Plan hearing is continued to October 14 to give proper notice to neighborhood associations. Other City notices were available to read.

Adjourned 8:40

Next meeting October 22.