Marylhurst Neighborhood Association

January 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes

President Oakes called the meeting to order, noting a quorum present.

Agenda approved as drafted.

Minutes of December 22, 2020 approved as drafted.

Treasurers report \$14.99 Zoom expenditure, \$7879.02 balance

<u>Communications Tower Update</u> City Council will hold a public hearing to annex the ODOT property on February 8, 2021. Submit written comments in advance or sign up to speak before noon from the Agenda icon on the City homepage. The staff report and the ODOT response to annexation and property acquisition were reviewed. It was debated if staff recommendation for R-7 zone was necessary for ODOT's continued use of the property and if it raised the property value while the City works to acquire it with limited resources. Were it not planned to be a park, R-15 zoning is consistent with adjacent properties and Marylhurst Neighborhood Plan.

Teri Cummings moved and Rich Vedder seconded: "Marylhurst Neighborhood Association is in favor of annexation of 19676 Kapteyns St and supports zone R-7; and requests Council increase the priority of acquisition of the property in the Capital Improvement Plan of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and aggressively pursue acquisition of the property as soon as possible."

Motion approved 10-0-0. President Oakes will prepare and present testimony for MNA.

<u>Signage for Neighborhood Creeks</u> City Public Works Street Department has been contacted; and maps of the creeks for possible signage and photos of signs were submitted. The map linked on the agenda was inoperable. The importance of engaging residents directly affected was noted. It was suggested to include the map with the minutes.

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<u>Marylhurst DR ROW Overgrowth</u> Members were concerned there was no further progress as this is a public safety issue. Today the code enforcement officer and city manager said they will seek a solution.

Thanks to the neighborhood work party that cleared the ROW around Marylhurst Heights sign. It is a good example of a safe roadside for pedestrians, bikes and vehicles.

<u>West Linn Post Office Closure Update</u> The post office is scheduled to close in February because USPS did not secure a new site before its lease expired. USPS recently informed residents by letter. Members were asked to contact Senators Wyden and Merkley; and Congressman Schrader in support of retaining the PO in WL in a letter from a citizen group with that objective.

<u>City and Community Announcements</u> as noted on the agenda were reviewed.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting is February 23, 2021.

