

RNA July 13, 2020 Minutes

By: Kamal Belkhat

Meeting via Zoom was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Debby Hochhalter.

Board Members Present

Debby Hochhalter, Allen Field, JoAnne Knowles, Claire Cofsky, Madeleine Anderson-Clark, Peter Forrest and Kamal Belkhat

Others Present

Doug Klotz, Albert Kaufman, Mauricio Leclerc, Quincy Brown, Maggie Derk, Leslie Poston, Heather Flint Chatto, Kate Wanamaker, Bryan Poole, Eliot Czeck, Viv Libson, Bill Haish, Zach Katz, Christina Estime, Dennis Hopkins

Agenda Adjustment

- June Minutes to be approved not July's
- Quincy will be presenting PBOT Paint and Pave

Announcements

- PDX Main Street: Heather Flint-Chatto sent a listserv July 27 at 630 PM affordable housing meeting PDX main Street awards planned at heritage center but change public events July 25 to nominate awards cultural important main st buildings

Adoption of May Minutes

Allen made the motion, 2nd by Kamal. Approved by all present board members except Madeline and Forest, who abstained.

Healthy Hawthorne initiative

Zack Katz and Quincy Brown requested a letter of support for their Healthy Hawthorne initiative design for protected bike lanes on both sides of Hawthorne, i.e., PBOT's Alternative 3B. Several people stated it was too early for the RNA to vote on any alternative since BPOT still has another round of outreach in September/October and the RNA should wait for PBOT's final report to issue. This was PBOT's recommendation as well.

PBOT Paint and Pave Presentation

PBOT's Maggie Derk, Mauricio Leclerc and Bryan Poole presented the SE Hawthorne Paint and Pave Project. They described the three alternatives for traffic configuration west of Cesar Chavez Blvd: (1) change nothing with traffic configuration, (2) remove a travel lane in each direction and install a permanent center turn lane, i.e., mirror the configuration that exists east of Cesar Chavez Blvd, and (3) install permanent bikes lanes, remove one auto travel lane in each direction and have no center turn lane. PBOT will finalize its evaluation of the different

alternatives in August. They anticipate completing their public outreach in September/October 2020, followed by an online survey in November. The repaving work is scheduled for summer 2021.

July 14 Board Election

Allen described election details: 6:30 – 8:30 in Waverly parking lot, 2 sets of lines and ballot boxes (in-person voting and drop off of print at home ballots), ballot monitors will check that ballot filled out correctly, such as consent box marked, plastic sheeting will be set up as barriers between voters and between voters and monitors, SEUL will count ballots

Candidates Statements

Statements made by Albert, Allen, Heather, Leslie, Denise and Simon not present so their written statements read.

Committee Reports

- Interim Treasurer [Allen Field] - June and July report presented. The current balance is \$20,187.61; 1- year CD expires Dec 2020, board can address before then whether to renew or invest differently. Expenses under \$100 do not need board approval, over \$100 does.

- Annual Tree Planting (Allen) - 1st Saturday in December; Awaiting updates.
- Richmond Cleanup (Allen) – Was canceled. The City is no longer funding cleanups. We can continue to do cleanups but may need to adjust parameters and garbage haulers.
- Richmond Ready (emergency readiness) (Dennis Hopkins)- Nothing happening since Callie has stepped down.
- Sustainability Committee (Kamal) – Nothing to report.
- Land Use/Planning/Transportation & Land Use (Heather)
 - o Residential Infill Project: vote postponed until early August 30th and Powell July 27 at 630PM to listen to that project's affordable housing plan.
 - o Design overlay amendment project commission staff raising building height to 75 ft within Hawthorne, division and other main streets.
 - o Historical conservation code looking into black and brown buildings of significance code update.
 - o The Shelter to Housing Continuum project is considering changes to the current Code including more flexibility in household living arrangements and to allow and regulate sleeping pods "tiny homes" in some areas. Proposed Draft and Planning and Sustainability Commission hearings to take place in the Fall of 2020. Allow and regulate tent camping facilities and clusters of sleeping pods or "tiny homes" in certain zones. Promote more flexible household living arrangements.

- SEUL Rep. (Allen) – Council extended Coalition contracts 1 year instead of 3 years
- Community engagement discussion (not a committee) – discussed ideas including sending info to community via every door direct mail. Allen requested a quote form Minute Man but they never provided it

Meeting adjourned 8:30, next RNA Meeting 8/10/20