

Minutes for Magnuson Park Advisory Committee
June 8, 2016
Lower Conference Room, Building 30

Members Present: Loren Hill (Chair), Tom Kelly (Vice Chair), Adrienne Karls (Secretary), Carol Valdrighi, Arden Forrey, Gabrielle Gerhard, Herb Curl, Chandra Hampson, Julianna Ross, Humberto Alvarez

Absent: Tracy Bennett, Aaron Hoard, Nino Johnson, Pete Zimmermann, Emily Dexter, Scott Marshall, Mary Anne Ward, Ken Sparks

Magnuson Park Staff: Brian Judd

Guests: Alisa Lubber, Chelsea Eickert, Kristin Klansnic, Pam Derry, Susan Yang, Ed Bronsdon, Vasco Espinoza, Pam Derry

Call to Order: Loren Hill calls meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Notes from the Chair – Loren Hill: Field users, Seattle Youth Soccer Association (SYSA) have set up Friday afternoon camps at 5pm through June for Park resident youth. SYSA will promote kids can joining in the fall too. A several week Ultimate Frisbee camp starts in July for Park resident youth. Scholarships are available if kids want to join in the fall. Magnuson Park Playfield Users would like a letter of support for their applications for the Opportunity Fund. Community Center and Sail Sand Point would like a letter of support too. Tom Kelly moves to write letter of support for opportunity funds and Gabrielle Gerhard seconds. All members present vote yes unanimously.

Public Comment: Ed Bronsdon announced that Outdoors For All is looking to collaborate and connect with tenants, residents and surrounding neighbors who have any kind of disability or just enjoy being outdoors. They currently work with the Wounded Warrior Project to inspire Veterans to get out on bikes and enjoy the outdoors; specifically accommodated to fit disabilities. Also partnered with the Mountaineers they have access to the climbing wall and go on hiking trips. The outdoors is for everyone to enjoy.

General Update from the NOAA campus – Vasco Espinoza: Parks and NOAA are having regular meetings to make sure there is open, two way communications going on. The site has a lot of historical issues and needs work badly; especially the roads which have been worn by allowing busses to use it. Metro has already denied their request for funds in order to fix it. They are very open to further suggestions and/or ideas. Their desire is to look at supporting other programs in the park, relay any security issues, and rebuild. Outreach to schools in order to set up a youth program where kids could possibly shadow employees, observe science in labs, learn about native plants, etc. There are 1100 people employed by NOAA. **Q:** Could NOAA staff viewing output of existing video cameras report any suspicious activity and share any recordings of it with Seattle Police? **A:** will definitely allow security cameras. There have been 3 major accidents down to the sound garden, at the turning point into NOAA from Sand Point Way, and 6 at the security gates. Discussed opening 63rd and put in a traffic light to benefit cyclists, pedestrians, the disabled, and NOAA employees. Studies are being conducted by SDOT. They're aware that the traffic through that area will increase significantly as new residents move into the park. **Q:** was seismic risk assessed? **A:** No Vasco will set up an Open House Date and Brian will pass that on.

Interpreting data to design programs for residents – Chelsea Eickert: Solid Ground (SG) is in the second phase of surveys with parents and kids living in low income housing. SG has a 3 year strategic plan which includes improving the quality of meeting individual's needs. There are approximately 250 kids currently living in the park and that number will increase when building 9 is finished. The goal for programs for kids is that they help them recover from homelessness. The demographic data; over 100 intake and case notes with kids are reviewed. The data which is being obtained are topics such as how well do kids do in school (participation rates)? Are they finding study time to finish homework outside of school? Once the data is collected it will be handed over to Dee Hillis and Gordon McHenry. They will determine which recommendations will take top priority over the 3 year plan; as the SG budget allows, the priorities will be implemented. The goal is also to decrease future homelessness for kids and encourage family and community involvement. **Q:** Does the plan include youth? **A:** we would like to offer that and extend out to other partners for assistance. **Q:** What are the largest needs for kids and their families? **A:** parents are all about education first. There's not enough structure in the homework groups M-F. **Q:** How do you see the community center working with SG on this? **A:** collaborate on how best to create age appropriate classes. SG would like to possibly become full time partners with the community center and with combined efforts we could provide programs and study time for the kids when space is available. **Q:** Are the lease public benefits benefitting Sand Point Housing kids and adults? **A:** of over 50 tenants providing services for free or at a discounted rate there has been little reported as of late.

Adrienne Karls: Sail Sand Point has done free sailing lessons, Magnuson Athletic Club offered a discounted membership and free with a certain amount of time to try it out (when they first opened), and the tennis center offered free coffee when they first opened (not sure if they provided lessons or court time as well), Mountaineers Club offered rock wall time with training (not completely certain about that). This is only what sticks out in my mind. I'm sure there are more that I have forgotten. It's difficult for people with disabilities to get from the residential side of the park to the places who are offering free services. I feel that the lease agreements should be held and information available to all Sand Point Housing residents.

Director's Report – Brian Judd: Our summer newsletter will be sent out next week. The route for bus #62 has identified another location than behind building 30. A long term plan also includes creating a bus route with stops along 62nd AVE for easier resident access. Overall general security has been quiet. Last weeks of school are coming and we have done some proactive planning because kids are still looking at cars but there have been no break-ins. The south end of the park has had the most break-ins (burglary, damages, during day and night time). Security is keeping a detailed log of hot spots, number of incidents and people camping out in the park. Over the next 10 weeks there are 20 summer camps going on. Easiest access to the park is going to be at 65th entry. Traffic is going to get worse than it already is. Spread the word. **Q:** Do park incidents go to SPD or just parks? **A:** the manager keeps a copy and sends it to be filed with the safety office; always communicate with police to stay up to date both ways. Continue reporting to parks, and tracking. June 23rd is the annual Rotary Club block party.

Building 9 update – Alisa Luber: introductions to Pam Derry, the Architect; Susan Yang, Denise Louie Education Center Executive Director. Building 9 had to start by looking at its past and then bring it forward. There's a lot of damage to the building (i.e. collapsing roof, damaged skylights, etc.) and it's a massive project. There will be 148 affordable and energy efficient apartments, Denise Louie Education Center and NeighborCare Clinic will occupy the central space facing 62nd. There will also be an opening through the center portion which will be a resident lounge area. Still waiting on Landmarks approval, and

building permit; should be able to close all project financing early 2017. Every resident in the park will have access to child care, clinic use, and information. In the childcare area there will be room for 6 classrooms serving 90-100 families, 3 pre-school ages, 2 toddler ages and 2 infants. There will be head start programs in place with SG which is predominantly available to low income families. There are also other partnerships to explore home based services, head start classes where 10% of kids are special needs. Staff speaks 15 languages to accommodate multi-cultural residents. There will no longer be a right hand turn access from 74th to behind building 9. It will be for use by emergency vehicles only. Entry for parking will be the roadway between PGKP and Family Housing. There will be ADA wheelchair ramps in front and at the back that will provide level access to the building. Sidewalks will be added and repaired and a brand new street level 3500 sq.ft. children's play area will be at the back. There will be 2 courtyards made in the space behind the building which will also allow access to the downstairs apartments. There will be studios, 1,2, and m/b some 3 BR apartments. There will be double sided parking on the backside of the building so it's not the safest place to ride a bicycle. Total cost will probably exceed \$60 Million. It's going to cost \$4 Million just to get rid of asbestos, lead paint, etc..

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Adrienne Karls - Secretary