



# Minutes #21

(Adopted October 9, 2019)

## Swedish Medical Center Cherry Hill Standing Advisory Committee (SAC)

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Seattle City Hall

600 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Conference Room 370

Seattle WA 98104

### Members and Alternate Present:

Justin Kliewer

Claire Lane

Catherine Koehn

Amanda Twiss

Greg Swinton

Lisa Fitzhugh

### Staff and Other Present:

Nelson Pesigan – DON

Eileen DeArmon – Sabey

Mike Denney - Swedish

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### 1. Opening and Introductions

Mr. Justin Kliewer opened the meeting. Brief introductions followed.

### 2. Housekeeping (2:13)

There was a motion to adopt the August 14, 2019 minutes as amended and it was seconded. The Committee voted, and the motion was adopted.

### Campus Updates:

Ms. Eileen DeArmon of Sabey provided the Committee [campus updates and upcoming events](#).

Ms. DeArmon mentioned that maintenance and repair of the James Tower Bell will begin in September. She also mentioned the upcoming Transportation events that are happening at the Campus and the upcoming CTR (Commute Trip Reduction) survey that will be starting in mid-September.

### Meeting #21 Context & Schedule:

Mr. Kliewer noted that the context of tonight's meeting is to have a discussion on the Committee's membership, composition and future solicitation of members. The next item is to discuss and make edits to the hotel use letter that Ms. Claire Lane distributed and finalizing and voting on the overall comment letter.

### 3. SAC Membership & Outreach (06:09)

Mr. Kliewer opened the discussion about the current SAC membership and potential membership outreach.

Mr. Kliewer did research and compiled the available documents that addressed the issues regarding the membership composition and selection process. He noted that according to the City Council resolution the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) membership should be comprised of adjacent neighbors to the Institution and those that possess experience and expertise on neighborhood organization, issues, land use and zoning, architecture and landscape, economic and building development and users of the Institution's services.

Mr. Mike Denney commented that he is interested in the selection process and the list of membership categories that could help decide on future recruitment of members.

Ms. Claire Lane commented that she is also interested in how the current members are categorized on the experience and expertise and suggested that the members should be the ones filling in the categories.

Mr. Kliewer commented that having a matrix that summarizes all the categories, skills and requirements for the membership will be helpful in the next round of recruitment for new members.

Ms. Lisa Fitzhugh commented that it is important having a positive collaboration and partnership between Swedish and the Committee to attract potential members.

Mr. Denney commented that having more representatives from the nearby neighbors is important. He also added that he will start looking at the upcoming project pipeline for Swedish, so the Committee is aware and prepares to discuss future and current projects.

#### **4. Proposed Hotel Comment Letter Draft: Hotel Use (35:57)**

Mr. Kliewer opened the discussion on the proposed hotel use comment letter.

The Committee deliberated and discussed the hotel use portion of the letter that Ms. Lane drafted.

The Committee agreed that currently, the Sanctuary Hotel project does not demonstrate compliance with the hotel use as outlined in the Master Plan. However, the Committee agreed that in future iteration and further evaluation of the project as it goes into different phases, the project could potentially comply and meet with the hotel use.

The Committee noted that having a positive and constructive comment letter is beneficial to both the Institution, the project developer and SDCI to move forward with the project.

A comment was made to make a change of Ellemus to Perfect Wealth throughout the document. Ellemus is a client representative that prepares all the documents.

Ms. Lane commented that it would be helpful for this Committee to get a status update on the comment letter when it gets submitted to SDCI as well as the project status.

Mr. Kliewer added that this project will go through several phases and public comments and it may possibly come back to this Committee for review.

## 5. Public Comment (1:29:37)

Mr. Kliewer opened the discussion for public comments.

**(Editor's Note: The comments shown below are summaries of statements provided. They are not transcriptions and have been shortened and edited to include the major points raised. Full comments are retained in the files in voice recording (.mp3) form)**

**Comments from Vicky Schiantarelli:** Ms. Schiantarelli commented about the current composition of the Committee and asked if their bios and profile be posted. She also commented and voiced her concerns about the overall project and how this project was introduced to the Committee. She commented that this project should have been presented very early to the Committee so they can review and provide comments if this project meets the code in the MIMP.

**Comments from Abil Bradshaw:** Ms. Bradshaw, a near neighbor, commented about her concerns on why Swedish does not want to take ownership of the hotel. She noted that there may be underlying issues such as the impact of transportation, noise, light pollution and traffic around the hotel.

**Comments from Mary Pat DiLeva:** Ms. Pat DiLeva commented that she does not trust Swedish. She noted that there should be an enforceable mechanism to ensure the neighbors about the hotel use.

**Comments from Melissa Flynn:** Ms. Flynn commented about the bad relationship that exists between the neighbors and Swedish. She mentioned the trucks that come in throughout the night without consideration to the neighbors. She also commented about the issue of bright lights that are coming from the campus and how it was shining to her windows.

**Comments from the representative of Perfect Wealth:** Perfect Wealth commented and expressed their frustrations about the whole process with the Committee. They commented about how they want this project to be successful that would benefit both the neighbors and the institution. They added that instead of stating that this project does not meet the code, or it is not good for the neighbors, to continue to have a collaboration and find a solution. They commented that they want the neighbors to be happy and proud of this project.

## 6. Committee Deliberation (1:50:19)

Mr. Kliewer opened the discussion for Committee deliberation.

Ms. Lisa Fitzhugh commented that having heard from the public and the developers about the views and needs, it is critical to building the trust between the Institution and the public. She added that there is a lot of work that Swedish needs to do in order to bring back this trust. She hopes that members of this Committee will be able to help bridge the gap.

Ms. Amanda Twiss commented and acknowledged that there were failures in the process, and she is unsure if the role of this Committee is to help in refining the process that is already established.

Ms. Lane commented that she appreciates the comments from Ms. Fitzhugh and Ms. Twiss. She acknowledged that there were process issues on how this project was introduced and the Committee did not have the chance to work closely and collectively on how to approach this project. She noted that trust-

building is very important among the Committee members, the Institution and the public to ensure that upcoming projects will be successful.

Perfect Wealth commented that they appreciated the work that the Committee has done. They thought that the role of this Committee is to help facilitate and solve the problem and issues and provide guidance if there are any discrepancies.

Ms. Fitzhugh commented that the Committee did a very good job of reviewing and commenting on the overall design guidelines of the project.

Mr. Kliewer made a motion to adopt the hotel use and design review comment letter with the suggested corrections and submit it to Ms. Carly Guillory of SDCI, and it was seconded by Mr. Greg Swinton. The Committee voted and the motion was adopted.

**7. Meeting #22 Agenda & Adjournment (1:36:46)**

No further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.