

**Levy Oversight Committee
Minutes
February 27, 2009 Meeting**

Members Present: Tim Burgess, Seattle City Council; Bruce Harrell, Seattle City Council; Dwight Dively, Department of Finance; Chris Gilbert, Local 27 Representative, Seattle Firefighters Union

Staff Present: John Nelsen, Assistant Chief, Seattle Fire Department; Brenda Bauer, Director, Fleets and Facilities Department (FFD); Mary Pearson, Deputy Director, FFD; David Kunselman, Fire Facilities Levy Program Manager, FFD; Chris Potter, Planning and Project Controls Manager, FFD; Christina Faine, Fire Levy Communications Officer, FFD; Kieu-Anh King, Central Staff, Seattle City Council

Guests: Valerie Paganelli and Concerned Neighbors of Fire Station #20

1. The minutes of the November 18, 2008 meeting were approved.
2. Public Comment
Valerie Paganelli said the Fire Station 20 project remains a priority to W. Queen Anne residents. The community hopes resolution on a site is reached quickly.
3. Levy Program Highlights (as shown in a PowerPoint presentation):

Program Overview

David Kunselman reported that construction is well under way at Fire Station 28 in Rainier Valley. The Fire Levy program has 16 active major projects, excluding interim stations. Most of the projects are in the construction documents phase and are close to going out to bid. Schedule adjustments are being made due to Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) funding.

Fire Station 2 (Belltown)

The project is in the bid phase. The bid came in at \$7 million, with an engineer's estimate of \$8.5 million. Fire Levy projects are aligning well with what's going on in the market. Bayley Construction, the apparent low bidder, is working with the Department of Executive Administration (DEA) to put bonds, insurance, and contracts in place. Fire crews will move in to the temporary facility in March.

Dwight Dively asked if a conclusion had been reached on the HVAC, or mechanical system. The HVAC issue was resolved with the Department of Planning and Development (DPD).

Brenda Bauer said that both utility and facility bids are coming down.

Fire Station 9 (Fremont)

Mithun architects have completed pre-design work. The project is on hold until early April 2009 due to schedule adjustments made to compensate for lower than anticipated REET funding. The project manager is working with Landmarks staff to determine if the annex structure on the Fire Station 9 site is a landmark.

Fire Station 14 (SoDo)

The rescoped project includes a new one-company station/battalion chief quarters. Due to the structure's landmark status, the front of the building will be saved.

Councilmember Burgess asked where the heavy rescue unit will go. Chief John Nelson said that discussions are taking place regarding where to locate the unit.

Fire Station 17 (University District)

The Fire Station 17 bid came in 13 percent below the engineer's estimate with good contractor participation. Construction is well underway with Graham Contracting. The Notice to Proceed was issued on December 30. Site excavation has begun. The rear of the building that included an old handball court is getting demolished. An underground storage tank located on the north part of the property has been removed. During construction, crews are housed in temporary facilities.

Fire Station 21 (Greenwood)

The Miller Hull Partnership is in the design development phase of design on the new station. DPD is processing the Master Use Permit (MUP). A Design Commission review is scheduled for April 2.

Fire Station 28 (Rainier Valley)

Construction of the new station is moving ahead with Berschauer Phillips Construction Co. A media event with the Mayor was held at the station on February 4. Structural steel has arrived on site. Construction of the masonry walls and steel structure has begun.

Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker)

The project is at the end of the construction documents phase with Schact Aslani Architects. The project is on hold until early April 2009 due to schedule adjustments made to compensate for lower than anticipated REET funding. The Council's Planning, Land Use, and Neighborhoods Committee reviewed development waivers on December 10 and February 6 for the building height and modulation. The full Council approved the development waivers on February 17.

Fire Station 31 (Northgate)

The project is in construction with Pellco Construction. A dedication event will take place at the completed station in April. The exterior site work is completed. Work on the interior finishes is underway. During construction, fire crews have been housed in a temporary facility across the street.

Fire Station 32 (W. Seattle Junction)

Bohlin Cywinski Jackson neared the end of pre-design of the new station. The rescoped project includes a new battalion station with no additional land acquisition. A decision is being made regarding how the fire apparatus will exit the station.

Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach)

This project is the most recent to start construction. Serpanok Construction was awarded the construction contract. The Notice to Proceed was issued to begin construction on

February 17. Crews are being housed in a temporary facility on the north end of the site during construction.

Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill)

Rice Fergus Miller architects are at 100% construction documents review with the new station. The building permit comments were received. Documents are being finalized for submission to DEA. The project is going through the contracting process and will get in the queue to go out to bid.

Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point)

The project, with Miller Hayashi architects, is in the bid phase. The bid documents are in production. The project will go out to bid in March. The building permit has been issued. During construction of the new station, fire crews will stay in the current station.

Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills)

The project is queued up in DEA. The architect is Schreiber, Starling and Lane. Nuprecon demolished the existing buildings on-site. Work continues with the last phase of the clean-up of the former gas station.

Fire Station 39 (Lake City)

The Miller Hull Partnership designed the new station. The project is out to bid. Sixteen general contractors participated in the pre-bid walkthrough on February 19. The bid date is March 11. The building permit was received. The firefighters will live in the current station during construction.

Fire Station 41 (Magnolia)

Hoshide Williams Architects are at the end of construction drawings for the renovation/expansion of the historic station. The Landmarks review board approved the project on December 4. DEA review is underway for the permanent station. The temporary facility just went to bid. During construction, crews will be temporarily housed at an interim facility located at Magnolia Elementary School.

Interim Facilities

There are 10 active interim facility projects. Sites are under contract for the following stations: Fire Station 2 (Belltown), Fire Station 9 (Fremont), Fire Station 17 (University District), Fire Station 21 (Greenwood), Fire Station 31 (University District), Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach), Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill), Fire Station 41 (Magnolia). Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill) and Fire Station 41 (Magnolia) are in the bid phase. Construction is completed at the following temporary stations: Fire Station 2 (Belltown), Fire Station 17 (University District), Fire Station 31 (Northgate), Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach).

Marine Projects

The Chief Seattle project is waiting on word from the Port of Seattle regarding status of the \$5 million grant application. If the grant is awarded, the scope will be expanded.

Bids to Date

Strong competition exists in the market, as seen in recent Fire Levy bid results. With Fire Station 28 (Rainier Valley), the bid was close to 20% over the engineer's estimate. Now bids are falling below the estimates. The temporary Fire Station 41 (Magnolia) bid came in

25.66% under the engineer's estimate, with a \$500 dollar difference between the two lowest bids. Fire Levy staff have staggered project bid dates to avoid projects competing against one another.

Financial Summary

49% of Fire Levy funds are encumbered, or spent. The Fire Facilities program is funded by fixed levy funds and other sources such as REET funds.

Discussion Topics

Fire Station 39 (Lake City) has gone out to bid. Upcoming projects poised to go out to bid include Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point), Fire Station 41 (Magnolia), Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills), Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill), Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker), interim Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill), and interim Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker). The same contractors are returning to bid on additional Fire Levy projects.

Fire Levy projects have contracted with 15.2% Women and Minority Business Enterprises and small businesses.

Questions

Dwight Dively asked which contractors worked on the Libraries for All program. David Kunselman said that Bayley and Graham worked on the libraries.

Councilmember Burgess expressed concern about funds available for Fire levy projects and the potential to complete all projects as planned and budgeted and asked whether projects were going to be eliminated from the Levy or downsized as a result.

Dwight Dively responded that projects are not being eliminated at this point but potentially delayed.

Councilmember Harrell noted that the January 2009 Fire Levy Monthly Financial Report indicated that the overall budget for Fire levy projects had grown by \$10 million (to \$294 million) since last year and asked for an explanation for this increase. Fire Levy staff will follow up with LOC members.

Councilmember Harrell asked that the Financial Summary include detail for each project, including those in the completed projects and future projects categories, as well as active projects. Fire Levy staff will provide this information at the next LOC meeting.

**Levy Oversight Committee
Minutes
May 14, 2009 Meeting**

Members Present: Tim Burgess, Seattle City Council; Bruce Harrell, Seattle City Council; Ken Nakatsu, Mayor's Office; Chris Gilbert, Local 27 Representative, Seattle Firefighters Union

Staff Present: Gregory Dean, Fire Chief, Seattle Fire Department (SFD), Susan Rosenthal, Assistant Chief, SFD; John Nelsen, Fire Marshal, SFD; Kieu-Anh King, Central Staff, Seattle City Council; Brenda Bauer, Director, Fleets and Facilities Department (FFD); Mary Pearson, Deputy Director, FFD; Dove Alberg, Capital Programs Director, FFD; Ted Maslin, Real Estate Services Director, FFD; David Kunselman, Fire Facilities Levy Program Manager, FFD; Chris Potter, Planning and Project Controls Manager, FFD; Dave Goss, Real Estate Acquisitions Manager, FFD; Christina Faine, Fire Levy Communications Officer, FFD

Guests: Valerie Paganelli, Garriel Keeble, and Chris Grekoff, Concerned Neighbors of Fire Station #20

1. The minutes of the February 27, 2009 meeting were approved.
2. Public Comment
Valerie Paganelli said Fire Station 20 and the Fire Levy, particularly the financial component, remain of great interest to the Concerned Neighbors of Fire Station 20. Garriel Keeble, who lives directly next to Fire Station 20, said she attends meetings on a continuing basis and wanted to learn more about any updates to the siting of the future station. Chris Grekoff said she is one of the homeowners who would potentially be affected and was interested to hear dialogue on Fire Station 20.
3. Levy Program Highlights (as shown in a PowerPoint presentation):

Program Overview

David Kunselman said seventeen major projects are underway, with a lot of projects in construction. Many projects are in the construction documents phase or the bid phase. The Chief Seattle is waiting on word for a possible grant from the Port of Seattle. Once word on grant funding comes through, the project will move forward. Fire Station 6, a new project in the Central District, has been added to the list. Fire Station 32 (W. Seattle Junction) is being deferred due to Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) funding. Fire Station 31 (Northgate) is finished, with on-going contractor close-out. The project has a one-year warranty.

Fire Station 2 (Belltown)

The project is in construction with Bayley Construction. Demolition of non-structural elements, including interior partitions and flooring, is taking place. Prep work is underway for the seismic bracing. The age of the building and its construction present many challenges.

Fire Station 6 (Central District)

Weinstein A/U is designing the new station located in the Central District. Weinstein designed the Fire Station 10, Fire Alarm Center, and Emergency Operations Center. The team had a kick-off meeting to talk about key elements of the FS 6 project. A good relationship exists with the tenants on the site.

Councilmember Harrell asked what will happen to the current station once crews move into the new station. David Kunselman said that the property will be sold, with the funds going back into the levy. Councilmember Harrell asked if any marketing of the site will take place in advance. Mary Pearson said we haven't done any dispositions yet as part of the Fire Levy. During preliminary Fire Levy planning, Brenda Bauer said the Council and Executive assumed money would be put back into the levy. Architecture students at the University of Washington have taken a look at how the non-commissioned fire stations might be re-purposed.

Fire Station 9 (Fremont)

Mithun architects have completed pre-design work. The project is on hold due to REET funding. The nomination for the annex building has been prepared and will be addressed at a Landmarks meeting on May 20. The Historical Society of Fremont has been following the project.

Councilmember Burgess asked if FFD is nominating the building. David Kunselman responded it is a misnomer to say the project is being nominated. Work is taking place with Landmarks staff to determine if the annex structure on the Fire Station 9 site is a landmark. The project team wants to ensure the annex goes through the correct landmarks process. If the building is determined to be a landmark, the team needs to know sooner rather than later.

Fire Station 14 (SoDo)

The project is in the pre-design phase. A Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant was not awarded this grant cycle. The project received approval at the state level, but not at the federal level. Following conclusion of the pre-design phase, the project will go on hold due to REET funding.

Fire Station 17 (University District)

The project is in construction with Graham Contracting. The demolition is completed. A temporary structure has been built to brace the mechanical penthouse on top of the building. The concrete has been poured for the foundation.

Fire Station 21 (Greenwood)

The Design Commission gave the Miller Hull Partnership unanimous, final approval of the project design on April 2. The project will come to the Council's Planning, Land Use, and Neighborhoods Committee seeking development waivers for building height, transparency, and location in a pedestrian zone.

Fire Station 28 (Rainier Valley)

Construction of the new station is moving ahead with Berschauer Phillips Construction Co. The structural steel has been completed. The masonry and brick work is underway.

Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker)

A schedule adjustment has been made due to REET funding. The project, along with Fire Station 21 in Greenwood, is being considered for stimulus funding. The Department of Executive Administration is reviewing the project. The Master Use Permit (MUP) was issued on May 1.

Fire Station 31 (Northgate)

Over 100 community members joined the Mayor and Councilmember Burgess for the dedication event in April. The firefighters have moved back into the permanent station.

Councilmember Burgess said there is a lot of completed work done behind the scenes, invisible to the eye. David Kunselman said it's important to let the community know changes are significant, although not highly visible in the seismic projects. This is true, in particular, at Fire Station 33 in Rainier Beach.

Councilmember Harrell asked for clarification of the financial summary. Fire Levy staff said that land acquisition funding is lumped together in the first line item, "Real Estate Acquisition." The discussion turned to how many properties remain that require purchasing land. Kieu-Anh King said that only two projects, Fire Station 20 and Fire Station 22, remain.

Fire Station 32 (W. Seattle Junction)

The project is being deferred due to REET funding. The pre-design work done to date will be captured in a report.

Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach)

Serpanok Construction continues with construction. The demolition phase is completed. The structural work is in place, with framing underway. Because the project is primarily a seismic upgrade, the work will not be highly visible. An addition is being added to the south of the apparatus bay.

Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill)

The project is in the Department of Executive Administration. The project team is addressing a few permitting issues. The interim station is under construction.

Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point)

The project is in the bid phase. The skies parted for the groundbreaking event. The community was pleased to see the project design; the rigs will be visible in the glass apparatus bay from the street.

Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills)

The Department of Executive Administration has nearly completed their review. One final building permit issue remains. This project will likely queue up to go out to bid soon after Fire Station 35 goes out to bid.

Fire Station 39 (Lake City)

The groundbreaking took place at the end of April. The new station will be located immediately adjacent to the current facility. The contractor, Howard S. Wright Constructors, have a lot of earth moving equipment on the site. Foundation work is currently underway.

Fire Station 41 (Magnolia)

The project successfully received bids yesterday. A lot of contractors showed interest in the work. The project is a historic building with a sizeable addition.

Interim Facilities

Interim Fire Station 35 is underway at the site of an old school in Crown Hill. The temporary station in Magnolia, interim Fire Station 41, will be located in an old elementary school. Three interim facilities are currently occupied: Fire Station 2 in Belltown, Fire Station 17 in the University District, and Fire Station 33 in Rainier Beach. The property that housed temporary Fire Station 31 in Northgate is being returned to the property owner. Tents and trailers will be moved from 31's to 41's and 35's, illustrating the complexity of the program. The program has built in efficiency by reusing tents and trailers. Once work at Fire Station 33 is completed, the temporary tents and trailers will move to Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker). Design work will soon begin on the permanent Fire Station 16 (Greenlake), so a site search is underway for a temporary location.

Bids to Date

Strong competition exists in the market, as seen in recent Fire Levy bid results. Contractors are coming in with more aggressive bids and are more aggressive with their margins. Brenda Bauer said it is a challenging market for contractors. Staff noted that contractors are also being more aggressive with change order requests.

Financial Summary

The financial summary was broken into active projects, completed projects, and future projects based on a request made at the last LOC meeting.

Councilmember Burgess said the financial summary still does not offer the perspective he was looking for. He is interested in an early indicator to make sure the program is not over budget at the end. David Kunselman said that alternates are used as a tool to make sure a project comes in on budget during bid. Fire Station 28 is a recent example of this.

Councilmember Harrell asked how he can tell if we're on target. Brenda Bauer said that every project that has bid is on budget. Councilmember Harrell mentioned the value of the sheet outlining the shortage of REET funds Dwight Dively used in a presentation to Council. Brenda Bauer said that every individual project budget comes to Councilmembers as part of the budget process.

Kieu-Anh King said he would work off-line with FFD staff to provide a more meaningful, descriptive document to facilitate a more productive discussion.

Discussion Topics

Projects that will go out to bid this year include Fire Station 35, 38, 30, and interim 30. Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach) will be the next project to open.

Questions

Chris Gilbert asked about the obligation once a particular contractor has made a bid relative to bid alternates. David Kunselman responded there is a certain timeframe in which to respond.

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Staff Present: Gregory Dean, Fire Chief, Seattle Fire Department (SFD), Susan Rosenthal, Assistant Chief, SFD; Kieu-Anh King, Central Staff, Seattle City Council; Brenda Bauer, Director, Fleets and Facilities Department (FFD); Mary Pearson, Deputy Director, FFD; Ted Maslin, Real Estate Services Director, FFD; David Kunselman, Fire Facilities Levy Program Manager, FFD; Chris Potter, Planning and Project Controls Manager, FFD; Christina Faine, Fire Levy Communications Officer, FFD

Guests: Valerie Paganelli, Adam Paganelli, Ross Budden, Concerned Neighbors of Fire Station #20

1. The minutes of the May 14, 2009 meeting were approved.
2. Public Comment
Ross Budden thanked Councilmembers Burgess, Harrell, and Conlin, as well as Chief Dean, for their role in moving forward with the Fire Station 20 siting process. Valerie Paganelli echoed satisfaction with the process.
3. Levy Program Highlights (as shown in a PowerPoint presentation):

Program Overview

Eighteen major projects are underway. The majority of the projects are in construction or about to start construction. Fire Station 33 is moving into the close out/warranty phase, which lasts a year.

Marine Projects

The Port of Seattle determined that grant money is available for the Chief Seattle, the last of the fireboat projects. The project will receive a total of \$5.5 million of Homeland Security grants, with a total of \$2.6 million received to date. The Chief Seattle project, re-started following the grant decision, is in design development (re-design). Scope adjustments are being made to add new equipment to the boat. The grant will provide for infrared, a bigger pilot house, different engine configuration, and re-plumbing for increased water pressure.

Fire Station 9 (Fremont)

Mithun architects have completed pre-design. The Landmarks Preservation Board voted 5 to 4 in favor of designating the Annex as a Landmark, one vote shy of passing the designation. To memorialize the Annex, photos and drawings will be compiled. The Design Commission will see the project on October 1.

Fire Station 13 (Beacon Hill)

The project, in pre-design, will transform two bays into one larger-sized bay. The battalion chief will stay at the station, located strategically on top of Beacon Hill. The neighborhood open house is scheduled for November 14.

Fire Station 16 (Green Lake)

The seismic project, almost a mirror image of Fire Station 13, will have one bay. The medic unit will move to Fire Station 17 in the University District. Residual apparatus bay space will be used for bunker storage. The neighborhood open house is scheduled for November 14.

Fire Station 6 (Central District)

The new station is in schematic design. The project did not receive stimulus grant funding. The Design Commission approved the project concept in July, with the next meeting scheduled in October. An open house will take place on October 3. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$4 million.

Fire Station 14 (SoDo)

The project, in schematic design, did not receive stimulus grant funding. Following the conclusion of the Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) hold, the project was re-started. Ladder 7, Aid 14, and the technical rescue rig will remain at the station. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$5.7 million.

Fire Station 21 (Greenwood)

The project, in the construction documents phase, did not receive stimulus grant funding. The building permit was received. The Planning, Land Use, and Neighborhoods Committee reviewed the development waivers, with the full Council approving the waivers in August. The design development scope equals the budget of \$3.6 million.

Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker)

The project is in the bid phase and was re-started following the end of the REET hold. The building permit was received. The construction documents scope equals the budget of \$4.3 million.

Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point)

The project is in construction following the re-bidding. Kirtley-Cole Associates received the contract. The bid is on budget at \$3.6 million.

Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills)

The project is in construction with Corstone Construction. The groundbreaking was held on September 10. The bid is on budget at \$3.1 million.

Fire Station 2 (Belltown)

The project is in construction with Bayley Construction. The roofing is nearly completed, and the interior framing is underway. Crews are housed in temporary facilities during construction. The construction phase is on budget (\$7.1 million).

Fire Station 17 (University District)

The project is in construction with Graham Contracting. Work continues on the concrete and exterior brick walls of the addition. During construction, crews are housed in a temporary facility. The construction phase is on budget at \$5.5 million.

Fire Station 28 (Rainier Valley)

The project is in construction with Berschauer Phillips Construction Company. The main concrete ramp was poured, and finish work is underway in the station. Firefighters are living in the current station during construction. The construction phase is on budget (\$7.3 million).

Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill)

The project is in construction with Kirtley-Cole Associates. The groundbreaking event was held in August. With demolition of the 89-year-old building completed, work on the footings is underway. During construction, crews live in a temporary facility. The bid is on budget at \$2.7 million.

Fire Station 39 (Lake City)

The project is in construction with Howard S. Wright Constructors. Work continues on installation of mechanical ductwork and electrical conduits. Interior framing is underway. The construction phase is on budget (\$3.3 million).

Fire Station 41 (Magnolia)

The project is in construction with Kirtley-Cole Associates. Concrete slab placement and framing are completed. The construction phase is on budget (\$1.3 million).

Fire Station 33 (Rainier Beach)

The project is in the close-out/warranty phase. After completion of the new seismic and structural upgrades, crews moved back into the permanent station from the temporary facility. The dedication with the Mayor and Council President Conlin was held September 19.

Interim Facilities

There are ten active interim facility projects. Temporary fire station 33 in Rainier Beach is being dismantled and moved to Mt. Baker to house firefighters while FS 30 is under construction.

Bids to Date

Four projects bid since the last meeting. These include Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill), Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point), Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills), and Interim 30 (Mt. Baker). Contractor participation remains strong, with all projects bidding below budget.

Financial Summary

Projects are on budget and on schedule. 60 percent of the budget has been spent or encumbered.

Discussion Topics

Before the end of the year, Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker) will bid, and Fire Station 28 in Rainier Valley will open.

Proposed Execution Plan (Fire Station Program)

Three station projects, FS 25 (Capitol Hill), FS 27 (Georgetown), and FS 32 (W. Seattle Junction), will start in the fall of 2010.

Work on four stations will begin in spring 2011: FS 11 (Highland Park), FS 34 (Madison Park), FS 36 (Delridge/Harbor Island), and FS 40 (Wedgwood), followed by FS 8 (Queen Anne), FS 24 (Bitter Lake), and FS 26 (S. Park) in the fall.

In early 2012, two stations, FS 18 (Ballard) and FS 29 (Admiral District), will start.

The timing of two stations, FS 20 (W. Queen Anne) and FS 22 (Roanoke), remains to be determined.

Proposed Budget Summary

In the proposed budget, the battalion chief will remain at FS 13 on Beacon Hill, and the heavy rescue team will remain at FS 14 (SoDo). Land acquisition for Fire Station 20 is in the budget. FS 6 (Central District), FS 21 (Greenwood), and FS 30 (Mt. Baker) did not receive federal stimulus grant money.

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November 17, 2009 Meeting**

Members Present: Dwight Dively, Department of Finance; Chris Gilbert, Local 27 Representative, Seattle Firefighters Union

Staff Present: Gregory Dean, Fire Chief, Seattle Fire Department (SFD); Assistant Chief Susan Rosenthal, SFD; Kieu-Anh King, Central Staff, Seattle City Council; Brenda Bauer, Director, Fleets and Facilities Department (FFD); Dave Goss, Acquisitions Manager, FFD; Dove Alberg, Director, Capital Programs Division, FFD; David Kunselman, Fire Facilities Levy Program Manager, FFD; Chris Potter, Planning and Project Controls Manager, FFD; Frank Coulter, Senior Project Manager, FFD; Christina Faine, Fire Levy Communications Officer, FFD

Guests: Valerie Paganelli, Ross Budden, Concerned Neighbors of Fire Station #20

1. The minutes of the September 29, 2009 meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment

Valerie Paganelli has been involved with the Fire Station 20 project for four years. She looks forward to the station moving ahead while continuing to provide citizen oversight.

With the siting issue addressed and resolved, Ross Budden expressed interest in watching the Fire Station 20 project unfold.

3. Levy Program Highlights (as shown in a PowerPoint presentation):

Program Overview

Eighteen major projects are underway, with many fire stations in construction. Fire Station 21 in Greenwood is the next station that will go out to bid.

Marine Projects

The Port of Seattle determined that grant money is available for the Chief Seattle, the last of the fireboat projects. The project will receive a total of \$5.5 million of Homeland Security grants, with a total of \$2.6 million received to date. The retrofit of the Chief Seattle, re-started following the grant decision, is in design development (re-design). Scope adjustments are being made to add new equipment to the boat. Guido Perla Associates are the naval architects.

Fire Station 6 (Central District)

The new station is in schematic design with Weinstein A/U. Daylight and energy modeling is underway. The Design Commission unanimously approved the project concept on October 15. The neighborhood open house was held on October 3. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$4 million.

Fire Station 9 (Fremont)

Mithun architects are in schematic design. The project was restarted following a Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) hold. On October 1, the Design Commission unanimously approved the concept design. The neighborhood open house will take place on January 9, 2010. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$3.4 million.

Fire Station 13 (Beacon Hill)

Hoshide Williams Architects are in schematic design with the seismic upgrade project. The original scope was modified to include an addition on the back of the station. The center column will remain in the apparatus bay because the battalion chief will now stay at the station. The geotechnical investigation is complete. The neighborhood open house was held on November 14. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$650,000.

Fire Station 14 (SoDo)

The project is in schematic design with Bassetti Architects. The project, restarted following a REET hold, includes an additional apparatus bay. The technical rescue unit will remain. The neighborhood open house will take place on December 2. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$5.7 million.

Fire Station 16 (Green Lake)

The seismic upgrade with Hoshide Williams is in schematic design. The neighborhood open house took place on November 14. The pre-design scope equals the budget of \$600,000.

Fire Station 21 (Greenwood)

The project, in the construction documents phase, is at the Department of Executive Administration (DEA) preparing to go out to bid. Once the temporary facilities are available, the project will bid, and construction will begin. The Miller Hull Partnership designed the new station. The design development scope equals the budget of \$3.6 million.

Fire Station 30 (Mt. Baker)

Following a REET hold, the project was re-started. The project successfully bid on September 30. The groundbreaking was scheduled for December 9. Schacht Aslani Architects designed the project. The bid is on budget at \$3.02 million.

Fire Station 2 (Belltown)

The project is in construction with Bayley Construction. The electrical and mechanical system upgrades continued. During construction, crews are housed in a temporary facility. The project architect is Arai, Jackson, Ellison, Murakami Architects. The construction phase is on budget at \$7.1 million.

Fire Station 17 (University District)

The project is in construction with Graham Contracting. The concrete brick walls of the addition are complete. During construction, crews are housed in a temporary facility. Bassetti Architects designed the project. The construction phase is on budget at \$5.5 million.

Fire Station 28 (Rainier Valley)

The Berschauer Phillips Construction Company neared the completion of construction. The architects and engineers are developing punch lists. The dedication is scheduled for

December 5. Phase II of the project will involve demolition of the old station and the conversion of the basement into a water retention system for water collected on the site. Firefighters are living in the current station during construction. Schreiber, Starling, and Lane designed the new station. The construction phase is on budget (\$7.3 million).

Fire Station 35 (Crown Hill)

The project is in construction with Kirtley-Cole Associates. The concrete foundation walls have been placed. During construction, crews are living in a temporary facility. The bid is on budget at \$2.7 million.

Fire Station 37 (W. Seattle/High Point)

Kirtley-Cole Associates continue with construction. The demolition is complete. Sitework and excavation for the building footings is underway. The bid is on budget at \$2.7 million.

Fire Station 38 (Hawthorne Hills)

The project is in construction with Corstone Construction. DPD is reviewing the foundation submittals. The disposition process for the current station is underway. Schreiber, Starling and Lane designed the project. The bid is on budget at \$2.87 million.

Fire Station 39 (Lake City)

Howard S. Wright Constructors continue with construction. Work continues on both installation of the exterior metal siding and interior work. The construction phase is on budget (\$3.3 million). The Miller Hull Partnership is the project architect.

Fire Station 41 (Magnolia)

The project is in construction with Kirtley-Cole Associates. Sitework continues with installation of the trench drain and replacement of the final apron slab. During construction, crews are housed in temporary facilities. The construction phase is on budget (\$1.3 million).

Interim Facilities

There are nine active interim facility projects. Construction of temporary Fire Station 30 is well underway with the tents and trailers coming from temporary Fire Station 33 in Rainier Beach. Temporary Fire Station 13 on Beacon Hill will consist of a tent only, located to the south of the current apron. The Parks Department is developing a new entrance, further south of the current entrance.

Bids to Date

Fire Station 30 in Mt. Baker has been added to the list of projects that have bid. Contractor participation was high, and the project bid below budget.

Financial Summary

Projects are on budget and on schedule. 62 percent of the budget has been spent or encumbered.

Discussion Topics

The dedication for Fire Station 28 in Rainier Valley will take place on December 5.

The Council will sign the budget on November 23. \$2 million will be appropriated for Fire Station 20 (W. Queen Anne) design.