Overlook Neighborhood Association (OKNA)

OKNA Meeting Record

Meeting Details

Date	April 17, 2018	Chair	Danielle Herman
Time	6:30 – 8:30pm	Location	Kaiser Town Hall
Meeting Type	General	Secretary	Alexandra Degher

Attendees

Board Members in Attendance

Addie Humbert	Cynthia Sulaski	Kristina Kern	Mitch Bixby
Alan Cranna	Danielle Herman	Melissa Castor	Noelle Smith
Alexandra Degher	George Spaulding	Mike Murphy	
Chris Trejbal	Kent Hoddick	Mike Shea	

Guest(s)

- Representatives from Portland for Everyone and from the Greeley Forest Garden
- ~20 Overlook residents

Chair Report

- Danielle called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.
- Meeting adjourns at 8:05.

Residential Infill Project (Rip)

- Brittney MacArthur from Portland for Everyone presented slides can be found online at their website
- Portland for Everyone wants to go beyond the current RIP proposal
 - Want to allow the RIP changes throughout Portland, not just in the "a" overlay. Misses sections
 of Portland east of I-205 where displacement and affordable houses may be most needed.
 - Want to increase allowance for duplexes, triplexes, ADUs and cottage clusters
 - Want to allow more internal conversions of old houses
- Meeting discussion:
 - Allowing for more units per property could increase demolitions but will also increase density and affordability.
 - Allowing so many houses and ADUs on a property will decrease greenspace in the city. Is the
 City doing anything to promote greenspace? This should be addressed.
 - Public meetings to testify on the RIP: May 8 and May 15. Can also testify online. More information can be found online: www.portlandoregon.gov

Update on 1935 N Killingsworth development proposal

Presentation cancelled.

Greeley Forest Garden Update

Martin Lambers from Greeley Forest Garden presented

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- Non-profit OSALT owns the land
- Partnering with Food by Design, The City Repair Project, Village Coalition, and Hazelnut Grove
- If anyone wants to volunteer, they have work parties on Saturday and Sunday
- Meeting discussion:
 - OSALT's official position on HG they initially stated they had no position on HG. They are not officially supportive but would not ask them to leave
 - Burlap may be inhibiting the multi-use path Martin check on it this weekend and will move it so it doesn't look like it's blocking the path
 - What would happen if HG moves? The goal is to have it be successful even if HG moves
 - Pollution from the freeways and trains no studies have been done to see if it's impactful to the garden
 - The multi-use path is currently planned to be used as the parking and staging area, especially
 once it becomes a commercial garden. Driving is not allowed on the path need to come up
 with a plan to use non-vehicle transport for moving/selling produce, mulch, etc.
 - How water will get there collect water onsite and use water-wise farming method. Trying to not haul in water.
 - Relationship other neighbors have not been in touch with ODOT and railroad but have been in touch with the City and County

Hazelnut Grove Update

- Update from Melissa Castor
- Had a meeting with Caitlin Burke (Joint Office of Homeless Services) HG is still being told that the City is in the process of researching a place for them to move
- They want to be able to build a relationship with a new neighborhood prior to moving into a new space
- Meeting discussion:
 - City pays for garbage and porta-potties.
 - There are 16 fulltime residents; most people use HG as a transitional space before being moved into other types of housing
 - Fire issues have fire alarms in homes, fire extinguishers and work with the City
 - Motor vehicles have been used on the multi-use path HG does not tell people to park on the
 path but the City uses the path to service the porta-potties and retrieve the garbage

Board Updates

- Sustainability no update
- Neighborhood Emergency Team (Mitch)
 - o Overlook NET will participate in a Scenario Village exercise on June 16
- Data/participation (Danielle) no update
- Public Safety (George)
 - PSAC steering committee meeting on May 3 at 5:30 at North Precinct coffee shop to see if PSAC can be revived
- Overlook Views (Noelle)
 - o Newsletter is coming out soon; still looking for volunteers to distribute it
- Homeless Outreach (Noelle)
 - o If interested see Noelle for participation

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- Parks (Cynthia)
 - o Saturday, May 19 annual cleanup at Bethel Lutheran Church from 10-noon
 - Focus will be on Interstate, Killingsworth and Denver. Every volunteer gets an organic tomato plant. Can also bring large items to dispose of and electronics. If you do not volunteer, you will be charged a fee for disposal.
- Land Use (Mike S) no update
- Events and Marketing (Addie) no update
- Transportation (Alexandra)
 - o Transportation meeting tomorrow at Overlook House
 - Also meeting with NPLUG on April 23 and 26 to assess the future of the transportation committee
- Treasurer (Kristina)
 - Current bank balance is \$20,032.49
 - Looking for ways to fundraise

Public Comments

 Brad – heads up that overtime begins at Kaiser Town Hall at 8:30p so it would be great if we can end our meetings by 8:15

Next Meetings

- Board Meeting: May 1, 2018 (6:30–8:30pm) The Overlook House; 3839 N. Melrose Dr.
- General Meeting: May 15, 2018 (6:30–8:30pm) Kaiser Town Hall; 3704 N Interstate Ave