

**Jackson Place Community Council
Board Meeting
September 8th, 2008, 7:00-9:00p
Jackson Place Cohousing Living Room**

Attendance

Board members present: Johnny Calcagno, Steve Van Oel, Maura Deering, Jill Moe, Oksana Winstead, Ryan.

Board members absent: Claude Zervas, Deborah Bartley, Tadashi Shiga

Also attending: Amanda Vail.

***** = Action Item**

Agenda

Committee Updates

- Traffic
- Outreach
- Bylaws
- Crime
- Land Use
 - Casa Latina – Portland example
 - Multi-family Housing
 - Neighborhood Plan – what’s our plan?
- Treasurer’s report

Quarterly Meeting Plan

- Agenda
- Speakers
- Roles and Tasks
- Public Comment
- Adjourn

Traffic Update

John sent his update via email.

Thanks to the work of many in the community, Seattle’s Department of Transportation has verified that we received at least 60% approval from the property owners on S. Charles St & S. Lane St. for the installation of traffic calming measures on these streets. In the Spring/Summer of 2009, these measures – a chicane on Charles between 19th and 20th and a choker on Lane between 18th and 20th - will be put out to bid and built. Street narrowing on 3 blocks of 18th (between S. Dearborn and S. King) will be part of this package of work. The street narrowing did not require a petition process as no street parking will be lost.

There is more to do and more underway; the above-described measures should be seen as a first step in traffic calming for our community. The following are some traffic-related measures completed or in process:

- *The developer of the Wonder Bread site is still planning on installing some kind of enhanced surfacing (pavers or similar) to the crosswalk at 18th Ave. S and S. Jackson.*
- *Many contributed to traffic circle clean-up this Spring/Summer. The island by 23rd and Judkins has been transformed from an eyesore into a reasonable bit of welcoming landscape.*

We should begin planning for next steps of traffic calming. Ideas include a chicane on 16th Ave. S, Goodwill-related measures, calming on 20th Ave. S, addressing parking issues, working with the schools to notify parents to slow down in the JPC, and ongoing landscape maintenance.

At the upcoming community council meeting, we can set a time for further discussion (tentatively 9/20, 9 a.m. at Café Vega) and create an agenda (of course with volunteers leading the efforts) for future action.

John adds in a later email:

We should start strategizing what we can accomplish via the Street Vacation Funds should the Goodwill development go through. I keep looking at making 10th (may actually be 11th) accessible to northbound traffic from the Dearborn exit off of I-5 and for eastbound Dearborn traffic as an interesting option.

We agreed that we need to do some publicity for the traffic meeting. Steve suggested leaving signs up for the traffic meeting on the 9/27.

Outreach

We all agreed that the newsletter looks great: Yeah!!! ***Jill is going to get clarity from John on the \$1500 grant money that might be able to use for newsletter purposes.

Crime

There were several car thefts and break-ins around Jackson Place Cohousing. Jill and John found a syringe and other unpleasant stuff in an alleyway near their house.

Land Use

Maura created a display on Goodwill and the CBA, and she and Jill have been working on a chart summarizing the progression of the CBA negotiations.

Johnny requested some time at the quarterly for a forum on the CBA, including opposing viewpoints, and there was agreement to do so.

We reviewed our reasons for signing the CBA

Neighborhood planning – There was a Land Use hearing today that included public testimony, most of which was critical of the current legislation. (See Chris Leman 9/7/08 email)

Quarterly meeting plan

“A Forum on the Dearborn Community Benefits Agreement.” Sign up at the meeting for 10 minute speaking slots.

***Johnny is going to write up how our earlier vision did/didn't make it in to the document.

***Jill will give Johnny our six reasons for signing.

***Jill/Maura: Will finalize the chart, with some input from ***Johnny.

Treasurer's Report

Oksana gave a report on issues that she is dealing with the IRS. We agreed to have her be our registered agent vis-à-vis the IRS, and for secretary of state for the non-profit status.

We did a financial update, including recent expenses for the newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00; Next board meeting will be October 6, 2008.