Sabin LUTC Minutes

November 5, 2018

7:00 pm

Whole Foods, Mt. Bachelor room

In Attendance:

Rachel Lee

Don Rouzie

Maria Hein

Kirke Wolfe

Asher Atkinson (arrived after agenda item 1)

Clint Culpepper (non-voting participant)

1. Rachel moves to approve the October minutes without change. Kirke seconds. Motion approved unanimously, with Don and Maria abstaining.
2. Rachel explains the Board resolution approved in October 2018 that appoints the LUTC membership, delegates authority to LUTC, and sets certain procedures for the LUTC.

1. Don volunteers to contact Jerome at Maranatha regarding whether it would be possible for LUTC to meet there, with a goal of recruiting new LUTC members and engaging more participation in LUTC decision-making by the African-American community.
2. The LUTC discusses the proposal for an expanded front garage at 1217 NE Mason. Rachel will contact the city planner to find out whether the proposal needs an area adjustment, in addition to the setback adjustments. The LUTC is wary of setting a precedent for reduced front setbacks and large front garages, but believes that in this case, because bulk of the garage will be below-grade, there will be minimal visual impact and there are few other options to site a usable garage on this lot. Any comment will explain this narrow reasoning. LUTC feels that it is important to caution that the reduced front set-back should only apply in front of the garage, and not to the rest of the front lot line. Maria moves that LUTC submit a comment in support of the proposal, with the caveats discussed. Asher seconds. Motion approved unanimously, with Kirke abstaining.
3. Rachel reports on the status of the Central City in Motion project, which will go before City Council on November 14. Clint reports on recent moves by the Portland Business Alliance and the history of potential projects downtown.
4. Rachel reports on the status of the Lloyd/Woodlawn Greenway.
5. Rachel reports that 25 MPH signs have been installed on Prescott. Also, a Sabin neighbor, Kathleen McConnell, is interested in circulating a petition after the New Year to request that PBOT to do a comprehensive traffic study on Prescott and implement appropriate design modifications. The LUTC is generally supportive of that request, and Rachel will draft a letter to be considered at the next LUTC meeting.
6. Rachel announces a land-use committee networking event organized by NECN on Nov. 27.
7. Clint proposes that LUTC write a letter to PBOT encouraging it to prioritize funding for the Failing and 14th St greenways projects. Half of the projects in that transportation package will be funded in years 1-5, and the rest will be funded in years 6-10. Clint will draft a letter to be considered at the next LUTC meeting.