

February 23, 2011 Northwest District Council Meeting

Member organizations reps in attendance were: Steve Deters. Aurora Ave Merchants Association, Velva Maye, Haller Lake CC, Rick Klingele, Greenwood CC. Others in attendance were Mike Rigsby and Amanda Sparr from WSDOT's Viaduct Replacement Project Team, Rob Mattson & Thomas Whitemore from City DON and Jessica Murphy (SDOT).

Steve Deters brought the meeting to order shortly after 7 PM. On this snowy storm threatening evening attendance was very sparse. Steve noted that a quorum was not present. However an advisory motion was made, seconded and passed to accept minutes from the January 26 NWDC meeting as presented with the exception of an unspecified correction brought to the DC's attention by Rick Klingele.

Jessica Murphy, manager of SDOT's 85 Street Repaving Project briefed the Council about this effort.

- This \$13M plus one year long repaving project will begin fall of 2011.
- Construction will be accomplished in segments; working west from 15 NW to 15.
- Outside lanes will be rebuilt with concrete roadway. Middle lanes will be repaved with an asphalt overlay.
- Green water management system will be installed to retain and meter out storm water drainage during heavy rain events.
- Sidewalks, traffic signals, and the location of crosswalks and signage will remain as it is today.
- Project will construct some new sidewalks on Greenwood Ave south of NW 85, install compliant wheelchair ramps at all intersections, and improve facilities at Metro bus stops.
- Although a specific traffic management plan has yet to be determined, it is likely that traffic will be forced to detour during high impact construction periods.
- Lane configurations will be restored to current conditions. A sharrow lane will be installed on NW 85th St west of Dibble NW.
- Project is currently at 60% design, and is expected to be at 90% by the end of April.
- Jessica offered to provide more detailed info or other presentations to affected stakeholder groups.
- More info is available at the project's website http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/pave_85th.htm or by calling Jessica Murphy at 684-0178

Mike Rigsby, chief project engineer for the Viaduct Replacement Project briefed the Council on the current schedule and design for replacing the Alaska Way Viaduct with the Deep Bored Tunnel. A PowerPoint presentation was provided. This presentation and other information concerning the project can be found at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/Viaduct/>

For more information contact public information specialist Amanda Sparr at 805-2875, sparra@consultant.wsdot.wa.gov

Rob Mattson introduced himself. Thomas Whittemore another DON district coordinator assigned to North Seattle was also in attendance. Rob, in addition to work with the Ballard neighborhood district and District Council will provide staff support to the NW DC. Rob will also be DON's point of contact for the Phinney Ridge and Greenwood neighborhoods. Thomas, in addition to providing support to the North District will work directly with neighborhoods including: Broadview, Bitterlake, Haller Lake, North Aurora and Liction Springs. Karen Ko beyond her responsibilities in the NE District will assume responsibility for working with the Greenlake community.

Rob described the 2011 NPF (Neighborhood Projects Fund) and distributed a fact sheet and applications which are due on March 8.

Rob reminded the Council of the available \$450 from DON's 2011 DC Outreach Fund. Rick K suggested that a running report of these expenditures be provided at each meeting and in meeting summaries.

Rob distributed a draft form where member organizations can indicate their continued interest in and designated representation to the NWDC.

Member Organization Reports:

- Steve reported that the AMA continues to keep an eye on the development proposed for the Cindy's Pancake House site. Rick asked if Steve knew about rumors of a medical marijuana dispensary being sited on Aurora. Steve indicated he would bring this up at the next North Precinct Advisory Committee meeting.
- Velva reported that the Haller Lake CC continues to support the "Powerful Schools" effort at Northgate Elementary.
- It was reported that the Greenlake Community Council is supporting the Bagley School gray to green effort.

Next NWDC meeting is Wednesday, March 23, 7 PM at the Greenwood Senior Center, 825 N 85.

Submitted by

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