npGreenway Board minutes (by Shelley Oylear)
May 9th, 2018 Chapel Pub
Meeting Start time 6:05

Present: Shelley Oylear, Lenny Anderson, Francie Royce, Pam Arden, Russ Bronson, Cynthia Newton, Pat Jewett, Guests: Caroline Skinner and Betsy Valle from Friends of Baltimore Woods, Aaron Michaelson- We Ride Manager for Daimler.

Minute Approval: Lenny motioned to approve, Pat second. April minutes approved,
Treasurers Report: Pam had report. We received some residual funds from previous grant at closeout. Pam had a question about constant contact payment, if it is up to date, Shelley to check. Shelley reported the new canopy purchase cost to be $200. We need to discuss further the budget for new brochures, swag, banner maps etc.

Segment Updates:
Segment 1 Kelley Pt Park to Chimney Park
  • Cynthia is contacting Alan Schmidt about setting up another tour this summer. We would like to include in newsletter for interested parties to attend.

Segment 2 – Pier Park to Cathedral Park
  • Decatur Street improvements/LID moving forward – Friends of Baltimore Woods Betsy and Caroline presented npGreenway with updates including concept plan. Low income tax breaks will be available to some property owners. Friends of Baltimore Woods requested letter of support for improvements of Decatur for non-motorized use. Francie reported from Andrew Aebi that LID program manager that the improvements will add curbs and address drainage that impacts buildings such as Cathedral Park Place, and stormwater that currently runs into the river. Businesses back up to Decatur and do not need it for vehicle access or connections to buildings. The LID will have a public hearing, time frame unknown at this time. Francie introduced motion to submit letter to PBOT that supports LID for development of the trail for non-motorized vehicles. Pam seconded motion. Motion approved. Shelley to draft and send to PBOT and cc Baltimore Woods

Segment 3:Cathedral Park to Swan Island
  • Francie reported that she observed that the Univ. of Portland is moving dirt on their lower campus. Ball Fields have been permitted with the city and are moving forward, the greenway trail application is not yet complete per Stacy Castlebury of Portland Planning & Sustainability. Trail will be 16 ft and will amount to about 2000 feet on the upland side of the river next to railroad tracks.

Segment 4:Swan Island
  • Shelley noted that we need to talk to Tom Boullion about Basin Avenue sidewalk repair and opportunity to upgrade to the trail vision. Lenny to contact Tom. Should be brought up at the next agency coordination meeting.
Segment 5: Swan Island to East Bank Esplande
- Cynthia and Francie reported on meeting with railroad representatives including Aaron Hunt (UPRR communications). More of a meet and greet nothing substantive since new faces at the table. Follow up email from RR with some possibly erroneous information regarding the ownership of the cement road. Francie verified it is owned by RR but their may be lease by Ashgrove Cement, but would take visiting the Mult. Co. recorder’s office to find out.
- Francie to talk Ash Grove to find out more about their operations.
- Pam asked why the city and businesses are not more interested in the cement road for emergency access? Will Daimler bring other businesses on board with developing the road for alternative access?
- Aaron from We Ride Daimler mentioned that there may be interest, Francie and Russ to meet with Aaron and possibly Andreas at Daimler.
- Russ asked about the safety issues with the current road that UPRR is concerned about: Crossing of rails by bike, mix to trucks and bikes/peds, interruption of operations crossing roadway to reach river.

Committee Updates:

Advocacy & Outreach:
- Next quarterly interagency meeting scheduled for May 10th.
- University of Portland – Shelley to contact

Organizational & Resource Development
- Potential new board members set up coffee meet and greets.

Communications & Technology –
- Brochure and maps updates need to wrapped up by our next meeting to we can print for summer tabling events. Lenny and Francie to work on. We may not have time to get map for bandana’s printed before summer events but we will continue to work on.
- Shelley is working on drafting an email newsletter and request for volunteers.

Volunteer Coordination & Events
- Shelley to set up sign-up and send out email newsletter about events/updates/volunteer sign up.
- Tours planned for Fredrick. Should look at others after primary/election.
- Cynthia to set up tour for Columbia Crossing and St. John’s Prairie with Alan at Metro.

Next meeting June 13th at the Chapel Pub, 6-7:30 pm.

Adjourn: 7:38