

Foster Powell Neighborhood Association (FPNA) General Meeting
Monday, November 10th, 2014, 6:30-8:30pm, Bar Carlo, 6433 SE Foster Rd

Board Members in Attendance: Li Alligood, Vicki Wilson, Angela Cortal, Meg McHutchison, Daniel Campbell, Christian Smith, Erica Bjerning, Tracy Gratto

General Membership in Attendance: Lynn, Allison, Marty, Claire, Jeff, Francoise, Sam, Leah, Nancy, Chris, Holly, Mariana, Brad, Ben, Erin, John

6:30-6:35 Meet and Greet

6:35-6:40 Welcome and introductions

6:40-6:41 Board Action: Approve Minutes

- September 8, 2014 minutes: Erica motions, Meg seconds, none opposed
- October 13, 2014, minutes: Erica motions, Meg seconds, none opposed

6:41-6:56 Information: Mariana and Brad-Crime Prevention Coordinator from the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) came to discuss approaches to crime and livability issues.

Mariana took over from Brad one month ago. ONI mission is to organize community and prevent crime. They work closely with the police and agencies throughout the city of Portland. Brad talks about package theft and his new role as Community Building Specialist, a resource for neighborhood watch. Package theft tips: have package mailed to work if possible. Follow up and have neighbors look out for your arrivals if you can't. Have a natural hiding place on the porch so that a big box is not right in view. Mail it to work if possible. How to curb it? When UPS comes and it's not for you, keep watching after because the thieves will follow the trucks. Bike theft: try not to let everyone know that you keep it in an insecure spot. Lock it secure, use locks and don't advertise if it's not. Are security cameras helpful? Not unhelpful, but a hoodie will thwart a camera! Dusk to dawn lights, good lighting are best. How does FOPO rank? There's lots of crime everywhere. FOPO is one of best for people who care about their neighborhood. Marianna Lomanto, new City of Portland Crime Prevention Program

6:56-7:15 Information: Comprehensive Plan Update - Land Use designation changes and next steps -Marty Stockton, Southeast District Liaison, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: She is a go between for neighborhood groups, city efforts, community groups and long range planning, tracking land use and advocating for neighborhoods.

Comprehensive Plan: every city and county's growth management plan. It's not a zoning plan.

Comprehensive Plan includes parks roads and civic buildings, how they will grow in the next 25 years. The Urban Design Direction is how we propose to grow over next 25 years.

Centers/Corridors: Powell is a corridor. Foster is a civic corridor and a center in our neighborhood. Nothing significantly different from today is planned. Nothing higher than 3-4 stories will be built: development and design growth-new mixed use zones, all-commercial zones allow housing outright in Portland. Public comment period is now. Drafts and plan maps are available since July. The map app is a thing. You can submit public testimony through map online. The neighborhood can submit testimony as a group if we choose to. Lots of handouts, these are available online. Testimony can be submitted through March 13, 2015.

7:15-7:20 Information: Portland Food Project - Richard Nudelman, Project Coordinator
representing 875 volunteers, Woodstock neighbor, since 2012. They donate 13,000 pounds of food at a time. Take a bag, pick up an extra item of non perishable food or a hygiene item. They pick up a bag every 8 weeks (6 times a year). You invest about 1 hour and 15 minutes a year, 140 lbs of food. Kids and grandkids can get involved and learn compassion. Neighborhood coordinator signs up neighbors and contacts and picks up food every eight weeks. No employees or place, all volunteer. PR, photographers, bike delivery- there are many ways to get involved. Fresh food donations are taken at 55th and Rhone Church of Nazarene Harvest Day. They will pick up before or after pick up dates as well.

7:20-7:35 Information: Committee Reports

- **Communications, Erica Bjerning**-nothing new, anyone got great ideas on how to better communicate? We have swag and website and cards, anyone want to write for the website.
- **Foster-Powell Community Garden, Vicki Wilson-** The garden needs new committee members who are able to commit to monthly duties in the garden. The garden is approximately 1/2 way done. We have 10 of our 20 raised beds, 2500 gallon capacity of rainwater collection, 120 native shrubs and bushes, a community art mural, 2 rain gardens and a community gazebo structure is currently being built. 7 Dee's raised \$1000 for us n November 1st with a craft bazaar. We need some more committed folks to come on board now or for early spring so that we can finish the garden layout next spring and summer. If you'd be interested in committing to a long term or regular garden task please contact Vicki at 62ndgarden@gmail.com.
- **Foster Window Project, Vicki Wilson-** The Foster Window Project is an art project that places artistic installations and murals in underused storefronts along Foster Rd. Once building owners have agreed to participate, we will have a community input and design selection process. The installations will be created by the community and coordinated by John Larsen and Vicki Wilson. Buck Froman and his son Matt have agreed to participate. Please add your conversation to the document coming around or write it on the poster that is on the Phoenix Pharmacy Building. If you know a building owner that you could help get interested, please contact us at 62ndgarden@gmail.com. We have met with PDC last week and will be attending FABA tomorrow night. The committee for this project meets here, right after the general meeting.
- **Foster-Powell Street Tree Inventory, Meg McHutchison**-Time to look at the next step. What about tree of heaven? Nip it if you can. Mt Scott Arleta is up next year. There are links from the Foster Powell site to more information.

7:35-7:53 Information: Representative reports

- **Foster-Green EcoDistrict, Meg McHutchison-** There was a summit, PSU has a coordinator. Meg needs a break. Multi-neighborhood, complicated, planning community effort to pull the corridor together. Meg is maxed out.
- Holgate Library Vikki is not present so Li gives some information about upcoming events. Check website for more info. Tree inventory map will be installed at Holgate library.
- **Treasurer-Jennifer** is not present. No update.
- **Land Use-Aaron** not present. No update.
- Transportation- Dan**, A recent meeting discussed many projects, one project affects Foster Powell. 82nd and Foster has not been well addressed, Streetscape does not address it. There is a jurisdictional change. Email Alyssa Kenny-Guyer to register a comment. A group of people are trying to start an 80's bikeway. Rapid bus on Powell to Division is a possible plan. There are many gaps between sidewalks here, and crossing from FoPo to Lents is difficult.
- **Foster Road Streetscape & Transportation Plan:** 12 yrs of community action will change Foster Rd from highway to walk-able street. Lane changes will go to 1 lane of traffic in each direction, center turn lane, parking and bike lanes, Affected area is from the Lents Town center to 52nd. City council adopted the plan in May, and there is funding. We are in the engineering phase, breaking ground in 2016; Community input: 67th and Holgate is a very dangerous place. Mauricchio is still the person to talk to have this discussion with.

7:53-8:00 General Business, Open Discussion

- Flier: Neighborhood small grants are available again. Deadline Jan 5th
- Flier: Meals on Wheels, donate dinner on Thanksgiving, coordinated with the grocery store
- Feast for Southeast needs volunteers. This reminds you of the socio-economics of the neighborhood.
- Chinook books-fundraiser is closing soon. The Phix, Piper, NWIPA, coupon book, 50% goes to the NA.
- Kern Park Flower shop has a new sign, Saturday new opening, coupon through mid-December. 75 years of service!

8:01 Li entertains a motion to dismiss. Erica motions, Vicki seconds. None are opposed.