

DATE/TIME: Monday, February 8, 2010, 6:30 – 8:30 PM
PLACE: Centennial Tower Meeting Room, 2515 Fourth Avenue
ATTENDANCE: Janis Ford, Mark Howard (Guest), Melissa Bennet-Cummings,
Valerie Heide Mudra, Tom Eanes, Ron Turner, Lydia Heard,
Laura Nielson, David Nelson. Elizabeth Campbell

1. **Greg Schuler.** The meeting noted Greg Schuler's recent operation and wished him well, a rapid recovery and a quick return to health
2. **Presentation: Mark Howard, Seattle Police Department, Office of Emergency Management:** Presentation focused on role of communities and neighborhoods in dealing with emergencies, especially when city services and resources are not immediately available. Community plans for other neighborhoods were presented and discussed. It was suggested that a small committee be formed to move this effort forward. Janis and Melissa were interested in participating. Ron will prepare a more complete memo (reflecting Mark's presentation) to the Community Council and make a presentation to the larger group in April. Mark offered continuing help and presence in the development of the plan.
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3. **Planning Discussion: Elizabeth Campbell, on branch library proposal:** The proposal was to create a branch library in Belltown. The idea was supported by members present. Discussion also focused on this proposals relationship to the Community Center funds and whether there was a possibility of coordinating the programs. It was suggested that Elizabeth consult with Tom Graff on available and suitable possibilities.
4. **Interim Parking Lot Permits and Regulations, Update:** Ron and Tom Eanes have communicated with Diane Sugimura on this issue (see attached) and Ron, Tom Eanes and Tom Graff will follow up with Diane and, if necessary with City Council that has a proposal before it.
5. **Lake to Lake Trail and Broad Street: Tom Graff** Discussion deferred but Tom Graff will follow up
6. **Bell Street Park:** Third design meeting is in March. "Friends of Bell Street Park" will hold its first meeting on February 9th.
7. **Central Waterfront Planning and Seawall Issue:** No report.
8. **Design Review Monitoring:** Appeal to rehear Martin Selig proposal on Western Avenue, north of the Sculpture Park was successful on procedural grounds. New hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9th. Ron and Lydia will try and attend. BHLUS supported the appeal on the procedural issue but took no position on the planning aspects. Note: Lydia will check on whether the two pieces of sculptures removed from two locations on 4th Avenue were tied into Design Review approvals

9. **Change in DPD Planning Leadership:** Ray Gastil has left as director of the Planning Department of DPD. Marshall Foster will replace him. We have worked with the new director and we have a continuing and productive relationship.
10. **Next meeting:** March 8th – please note that we *might* hold meeting at Plymouth Housing's offices on Third Avenue

Updates (if time permits)

- Small and Simple Grant Application – Viaduct Lands Study (*nothing to report – we should hear in March*)
- Bridging the Gap (*nothing to report*)
- Bell and Western: meeting with SDOT on 3rd and Denny and Broad Street Connector (*Tom Graff will follow up and Elizabeth will examine opportunities for Urban Gardening on street rights of ways*)
- Belltown Schools (*no report but proposal to use Mercer Street garage site for north downtown school was mentioned*)
- SAM appeal (*see above*)
- New Agenda or Directions (*no report*)
- Plan Assesment (*no report*)
- BHLUS Leadership (*no report*)
- South Lake Union (*Ron continues to be involved and will report on EIS alternates and relationship to Belltown at March meeting*)

Recorded and typed!! by Ron Turner. Hurry Back Greg!