



# BELLTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## 21-Apr-2010, Open Meeting Minutes (Olympic Sculpture Park - OSP)

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- 1) Call to Order @ 7:00pm by Richard Nordstrom, BCC President
- 2) Approval of Previous Minutes from March 17, 2009 meeting. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Vote - Unanimous Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.
- 3) BCC Officers Present:
  - a) Richard Nordstrom, President
  - b) Elizabeth Campbell, VP
  - c) Ron Turner, VP
- 4) Treasurer's Report. No Funds.
- 5) Evening Program:
  - a) Seattle Councilmember Sally Bagshaw. Current Term: 2010-2013 (60 mins)
    - i) Chair: [Parks & Seattle Center](#); and [Waterfront Planning](#)
    - ii) Vice-Chair: [Public Safety & Education](#)
    - iii) Member: [Built Environment](#)
    - iv) Alternate: [Housing, Human Services, Health, & Culture](#)
    - v) Councilmember Bagshaw touched on a variety of topics she has responsibility for (see committee memberships above) and offered her thoughts on public safety and her support of the "Aggressive Solicitation Ordinance". She also shared her vision of the future for the Seattle Center as Seattle's "Central Park". There were numerous questions and great interaction between Sally and the 55+ attending community members. We ran more than an hour, but listening to her was well worth it and I know everyone was very appreciative of Sally to take time from her busy schedule to spend time with us.
  - b) The second speaker for the evening was Lt. Steve Paulsen, our new 2<sup>nd</sup> Watch Commander for the West Precinct (includes Belltown) of the Seattle Police Department. As would be expected there was a lot of questions for Lt. Paulsen some of which centered on the recent decision by Mayor McGinn to move the bike patrols to foot patrols in downtown. Concerns were raised about having enough police to provide the quick reaction of the bike patrol while still supporting foot patrols. Some felt taking officers from bike to foot was an excellent idea, but limited the area the officers could move in. Lt. Paulsen has come to the West precinct with a good background in neighborhood policing and extensive experience as a police officer. The community looks forward to working closer with Lt. Paulsen. (40 mins)
  - c) Ron Turner, Chair of the BHLUS Subcommittee talked about the developing plan for emergency preparedness for the citizens of Belltown. The recent earthquake in Chile and the overall seismic activity around the world in the last two years makes for a powerful statement, "we need to prepare". (15 minutes)
- 6) Committee Reports – these were limited due to the length of this meeting.



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- a) Reminder that next “Balanced Belltown” committee meeting will be held Tuesday, May 4, 2010, 7pm at 2821 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Beaumont Room.
  - b) A reminder that the BCC Belltown Garden Walk will be held Saturday, June 26, 2010. Watch the BCC website and Newsletter for more information.
  - c) Next “Friends of Bell Street Park” committee meeting will not be held in May since it coincides with the Final Public Design Review of Bell Street Park on May 19. Note this is the same time of the next BCC Open Public Meeting. The Bell Street Park Design review and the BCC Open Meeting will be combined.
- 7) No new business due to the length and breadth of this meeting.
- 8) **This is an important meeting!!** Next BCC Open Public meeting is Wednesday, May 19, 2010, Olympic Sculpture Park, 7pm. **This meeting will completely consist of the third and most likely final general public design review for Bell Street Park.**
- 9) BCC Leadership Meeting next Wednesday, April, 28, 7pm, Bay Vista, 2821 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor
- 10) Motion for adjournment @8:59pm. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Vote - Unanimous to adjourn.