

Lake Grove Business Association March 5, 2019

Present: Mark Fitkin, Ken Sandblast, Joe Buck, Paul Quandt, Bruce Goldson, Karen Jacobson, Sheila Carlson, Mike Carlson, Julia Fowler, Katie Kerklaan, John DeCosta, Megan Phelan, Deanna Bitar, Tatiana Gostev, Carla from Lakewood Theatre.

Tatiana Gostev Treasurer: \$8,017 New member Ken Cunningham.

Chamber: The Annual Awards Dinner is coming March 16. Julia says flower baskets are set to go up on May 18.

Neighborhood Associations:

Waluga has no comment.

Turf replacement is happening at West Waluga.

Lake Grove: Washington Ct and Boones Ferry intersection townhome project is holding a neighborhood meeting to discuss trees. The land division project is taking place now.

Speed controls are being discussed for Upper Drive and they are going to the transportation advisory board.

Written comments submitted by Mike Buck:

The LGNA is working on two main issues: the LU 18-0026 Condominium Development and Transportation issues (contemporary problems and preventative measures to possibly mitigate impacts from Boones Ferry Road Implementation Project Construction.

In regards to the first issue, here are the foci on the Board position as the DRC hearing on March 18th nears:

1. At the DRC hearing on March 18, 2019, testify that the LGNA Board is invested in the WLG District being faithful to goals with the best planning and design possible. This development plan, in accord with zoning and building codes, offers a different, diverse housing need in our City. Though we suffer the loss of 39 trees, our concentration will be how best to mitigate trees with this development but also with eyes toward adjacent properties: the City-owned triangular piece and the abandoned part of Upper Drive which we hope will be vacated. Were these sites to be conjoined as properties are consolidated and access to Boones Ferry Road worked out, we will advocate for a natural, vegetative space here where native trees could be planted. The LGNA keeps learning and questioning how best to change current code language to fulfill our Neighborhood Plan goals. So at the DRC hearing, we will not be opposing this development but letting City planners and commissioners know that we want "tools" like the tree fund to be utilized for replanting native trees back in appropriate places within the WLG District. We have our eyes on the future and have accepted the reality of this condominium development.

2. The LGNA will meet with the TAB Chair, Richard Nys, in March to see what can be done to reduce traffic speeding on collectors as well as keeping pedestrian and bike pathways open. We have heard many neighborhood complaints about obstruction--mostly by construction and landscaping vehicles. The LGNA would also like to know what can be done to avoid congestion on collectors during the construction time period. We acknowledge that drivers will be trying to find the routes of least resistance.

Code Amendments:

Tree Code: Mike Buck, Ken Sandblast and Keith Dickerson testified at the hearing on the tree code at the City Council. It was decided that replacement would be consistent with the rest of the city except for the size of the trees.

Urban Renewal: Ken will follow up. Parking

Boones Ferry Road Project: A Request for Proposals for construction is going out this week. In late May the City Council is expected to select the construction company based on the new selection process that was adopted. The criteria will not be solely low bid price. How they plan to work with the community among other things will be considered. Three to four bids are anticipated.

A video is also being released shortly by the city which explains the project.

NW Natural has decided to work with the City's contractor on the gas lines later on instead of immediately.

Trees are being flagged in the next couple of weeks so contractors can see which trees are coming down. Katy will send social media notices.

Letters are also going out to let business owners know when they need to move their signs.

The Springs is working in the roadway in the next few weeks.

Julia said the open house was well attended and many people were happy with the proposed improvements with lots of questions involving the post office.

The length of the project was a concern and it was explained that the utilities will need to be coordinated.

Olsen Clinic is having a hearing tonight regarding the right of way in front of the property.

For the tree removal and later tree protection will require an arborist. Approximately 150 trees are being removed and about that many will be planted later.

Construction is expected to begin this summer.

Mark Fitkin: Will have permits for construction on the middle property so work should start in the next couple of months. The west site will be going for permits soon.

Karen is interested in finding out about the roof tiles from the Mercantile project.

Deanna is working on the Roundtable parking lot. The utilities are causing a lot of delays, but the project is about two-thirds done.

John said the Bryant light is a positive change and the six corners project is going really well. Taking out the stop signs on a more permanent basis is being investigated.

Meghan: Bond measure was approved for parks for the May ballot.

Tatiana says Pacific West Bank is remodeling its downtown office and then planning to upgrade its Lake Oswego location.