# Concordia Neighborhood Association Land Use & Transportation Committee (LUTC) Meeting

May 16, 2018, 7 to 9pm
McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room **Minutes** 

Members Present: Steve Elder (CNA Board); Jay Fesler; Garlynn Woodsong, Chair (CNA Board)

Also Present: Dan, Beaumont neighbor; Susan Millhauser, contract recording secretary

Welcome & Introductions, Quorum Check, Member Attendance Check, Agenda Review

Garlynn welcomed everyone, opened the meeting, established the quorum, and reviewed the agenda.

Approve Minutes – The draft April minutes were sent out via email prior to the meeting.

<u>MOTION</u> (Garlynn/Steve) – To approve the April 18, 2018 minutes as drafted. <u>APPROVED</u> (3 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain)

**Public Comment** – None

**Demolitions, Developments, and Land Use Notices** – None

# **Land Use Oversight and Policies**

Residential Infill Project (RIP)

- Comment letter was approved by the Board and submitted to the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC). The comment period was extended to Friday.
  - O Dan shared that he testified in person at a PSC hearing. He has concerns about the proposed rezone from R-5 to R-2.5 for parts of Beaumont and Concordia; otherwise he is supportive.
- Discussed how FAR (floor area ratio) is calculated and the proposed new height measurement, both of which will help to reduce the scale and bulk of new infill development.
- Discussed ADU's (accessory dwelling units) and how under the RIP there could be two on a property, and the related recent City adoption of rules to retain the SDC (systems development charge) waiver for ADU's that will not be used for short-terms rentals.

# Better Housing By Design (BHBD)

- Proposal to update the regulation of non-single family zones R3, R2, R1, RH.
- The comment deadline on the discussion draft is coming up. The PSC hearing is scheduled for June 12, 2018.
- Development was previously regulated by lot size.
- Moving toward FAR to regulate size instead of number of units.
- Since the LUTC hasn't reviewed and discussed yet, agreed to not make a formal recommendation to the Board. Individuals were encouraged to review and comment on their own or request the Board take action.

#### **Transportation**

Proposed TriMet Bus Barn/Depot on Columbia

TriMet is in negotiations for property for a new bus barn/depot on Columbia at 47<sup>th</sup> (old Caterpillar site).

- They'll be making site upgrades and will have a design and construction process. Site already has a diesel engine shop.
- CNA has generally expressed concerns about diesel pollution and air quality in the neighborhood, which were shared with TriMet.
- TriMet's long-range plan is to convert the fleet to electric buses; currently use biodiesel, which is less polluting than regular diesel and emissions from off-road vehicles, like construction equipment.
- Committee discussed the proposed new bus line concept along Prescott and Alberta from Rose City Park to downtown.
  - o It's not necessarily tied to moving Line 72 off of NE Alberta St.
- Recent legislative approval of payroll tax increase is a potential funding source, but has strings attached and is currently being discussed by legislative oversight committee.
  - Opportunity to advocate that funds be spent on fleet electrification at upcoming TriMet workshops and via a poll, which will be publicized in the CNews.

# Bicycle Network - "20's" Bikeway

- In CNA it's on 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave.
- Asked City for diverters at major cross streets, like Prescott, Alberta, and Killingsworth, to reduce cutthrough vehicle traffic, but they weren't installed. There has been increased car traffic on NE 32<sup>nd</sup>.
- Tyler wrote a follow up article for CNews.

# **LUTC Operations**

CNews Land Use Articles – Review and Update Article Schedule

Issue	Author	Due	Topic
July	Steve	6/10	TriMet bus barn and electric buses

Potential future topics: Tiny Homes/Campers on Private Property, Broadmoor Golf Course Rezone.

## **LUTC** Vacancies

- There are four vacancies on the committee (currently five sitting members).
- There is an article in the upcoming CNews.
- Beth S. may be interested in joining.

# Information Management

- Susan confirmed that approved LUTC minutes are being posted on the CNA website (she sends to Gordon).
- Garlynn will follow up with Gordon about also posting the meeting agenda.
- Someone should cross-post / link to both on the CNA Facebook page.

**Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 9pm.