

## Market Neighborhood Association (MNA) Meeting

November 19, 2014

Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Chairperson: Michelle Sailor (MNA Board Chairperson)

**7:00 PM – Meeting called to order, Introductions of board & attendees**

**7:05 PM – MNA Board thank you to Michelle for her 5 years of service as MNA Chairperson**

**7:05 PM – Kirkland Police Department Update (Officer Frankenberg)**

- Open questions/concerns from meeting attendees: Neighborhood concerns in regards to speeding, specifically on 16<sup>th</sup> Ave W., 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. and Waverly Way
  - KPD has a new Traffic Sergeant (Sgt. Rich) who will be made aware of the neighborhood's concerns
  - Possibility of placing a motorcycle officer in these locations to issue speeding tickets; a majority of their focus is in school zones however
- Notice to residents that there is an increase of home and auto burglaries during the day during this holiday period of time
- Car thefts are also currently on the rise
- Illegal drug use/trafficking also a focus; A home in Finn Hill, noted as "The Drug House", was taken over by the county due to the high volume of drug use and trafficking
- Always feel open to call 911 if you see anything of concern in your neighborhood

**7:20PM – Park Place Project Update (Bill Pollard, Talon Private Capital)**

- Talon is the new developer for Park Place
- Talon is currently not planning on the same project size as the previous developer, Touchstone; Current project plan includes:
  - 650,000 sq. ft. of office space across 4 building (vs. previous plan of 1.2M sq. ft.)
    - 6-7 stories
    - 3 new buildings; Re-facing current building
  - No hotel (vs. previous plan of including a hotel)
  - 300,000 sq. ft. of retail (vs. previous plan of 200,000 sq. ft.)
  - Movie theater (similar format to iPix) being planned at current QFC location
  - Anchor store is QFC:
    - Developing a new building, closer to the middle of the project
    - Building will be approximately twice as large as current
  - Fitness/gym still to be determined
  - Restaurants: research is showing that any number can survive, but parking would become an issue, so actual number of restaurants has yet to be determined; 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of restaurants to have view of lake & Seattle
  - Multi-family units: required for retail to survive; requesting city allow for 30% of project to be apartments vs. currently allowed 10%
  - Parking: Looking to use maximum parking allowance with most of parking underground
- Timeline:
  - Mid-December: City Planning Commission to review plans

- February/March: City Council review
- March 2016: Target (earliest) start of ground breaking

### **7:50PM – I-405 Express Lane Project Update**

- Planning express toll lanes on I-405, similar to what exists on 167
- Corridor will be from Bellevue to Lynwood, approximately 17 miles
- Focus is on reducing traffic congestion
- Project:
  - Converting HOV lanes to Express Toll Lanes
  - HOV changing from 2+ occupants to 3+ occupants during “peak” hours
  - To declare your automobile as being an HOV, in-car Flexpass will be in the red HOV position
  - Pricing will vary by day, time & congestion (minimum and maximum pricing still to be determined)
- Additional I-405 projects include:
  - 7 new noise walls being installed
  - 1 new noise berm
  - Water collection areas
  - SR522 braided ramps, to help separate traffic continuing on I-405
- For more information: [www.wsdot.gov/tolling/405](http://www.wsdot.gov/tolling/405)

### **8:10PM – KAN Update & LWSD School Boundary Revision Planning update (Mark Nelson, MNA KAN Representative)**

- KAN policy documentation adopted
- Officers elected
- Current parking provisions being discussed and challenged
- Lake Washington School boundary changes key topic of concern at meeting; Focus is on aligning with the other, adjacent neighborhoods to have a single position across neighborhoods
  - Currently, none of 7 possible scenarios currently impacted Market neighborhood
  - LWSD meeting relevant to neighborhood is December 2, at 6:30pm, at LWHS
  - Multiple scenarios to be reduced to 3 scenarios that will be proposed on December 2
  - Visit [www.LWSD.org](http://www.LWSD.org) for scenarios, mapping, considerations, criteria
  - Requested call to action for neighborhood: Show support for the scenarios you believe in
  - School district has a Long-Term Facilities Task Force focused on the future of LWSD and how to obtain support for future funding needs; among 250 applicants, 40 members were chosen to be on the task force; Mark Nelson is one of the 40 chosen members and will be able to update the MNA meetings on progress

### **8:20PM – Other Neighborhood Updates**

- Halloween event successful, despite poor weather causing lower attendance
- Neighborhood Safety Program (\$50,000 grant to support submitted safety projects)
  - Michelle Sailor submitted proposal to install crosswalk safety alerts at Market Street/Waverly Way intersection;
  - Must submit proposals by December 1, with voting to take place mid-December; all submitters are expected to take complete ownership of following through to implementation proposal selected

**8:39PM – Treasurer Update** (Laura Westlund)

- \$6,482.55 remains in MNA account
- Includes \$1,649 Kirkland city grant
- MNA needs to determine uses for funds

**8:30PM – Holiday Decorating & Caroling Event**

- Targeting December 14
- Looking to coordinate with Merrill Gardens for possible caroling

**8:32PM – 2015 Board Nominations**

- Chairperson: Dawn Morse (replacing Michelle Sailor)
  - Nomination: Michelle Sailor
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Alston
  - No objections
- Vice Chairperson: Sonya Kramer (replacing Sharon Singh)
  - Nomination: Wendy Alston
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sharon Singh
  - No objections
- Vice Chairperson: Wendy Alston
  - Nomination: Sharon Singh
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mark Nelson
  - No objections
- Secretary: Lisa Leo (replacing Jason Hofmann)
  - Nomination: Mark Nelson
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Patrick Wilburn
  - No objections
- Communications Chairperson: Patrick Wilburn
  - Nomination: Mark Nelson
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Laura Westlund
  - No objections
- KAN Representative: Mark Nelson
  - Nomination: Laura Westlund
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Patrick Wilburn
  - No objections
- Events Chairperson: Soli Snyder
  - Nomination: Sharon Singh
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Alston
  - No objections
- At Large: Doug Sollitt
  - Nomination: Mark Nelson
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Laura Westlund
  - No objections
- At Large: Linda Bennett
  - Nomination: Sharon Singh
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Laura Westlund
  - No objections

**8:40PM – Meeting Adjourned**

*Minutes Recorded by Jason Hofmann – MNA Board Secretary*