

Magnolia Community Council  
Board of Trustee Meeting  
Open meeting on Zoom and live-streamed on MCC FB page

June 15, 2021 | minutes draft

Present: Trustees David Kaplan, Carol Burton, Lynn Hogan, Mary Hoverson, Alison Grevstad, Janis Traven, David Moehring, Stephen Faciszewski, Cheryl Jacobs, Nicole Shiosaki, Pat Craft, Lisa Barnes, Jayson Morris, Stephanie Ballard and Matthew Koenig.

Guests: Parker Dawson, Jessica Keller/QA News, Ted and Jeanne Coulson, Lorena Gonzalez, Fred Rappaport, Ben Broesamle, Don Rivers, Teresa Mosqueda.

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by David Kaplan, Vice President

Housekeeping request to please mute microphones unless you are speaking.

For attendees by phone: \*6 to mute/unmute and \*9 to raise your hand to the moderator w/questions.

Trustee Meeting:

Meeting agenda approved. May meeting minutes approved.

Lorena Gonzalez, candidate for Mayor: serving as City Council member. Central WA started as a migrant farm worker at the age of 8. WSU, Seattle University Law degree. Served 10 years as a lawyer. Question from Cheryl Jacobs – will her platform be keeping the same teams and momentum of the City Council or making more of a sea change in a different direction in her role as mayor? She is focusing on the opportunity to create an environment of collaboration between the different branches of government rather than political infighting. Janis Traven – thanks her for the recent communication about transportation priorities. Lorena acknowledges how important the Magnolia Bridge is to Magnolia. As a West Seattle resident she understands the need for staying ahead of our transportation needs.

Donovon Rivers, candidate for Mayor: supports rebuilding the Magnolia Bridge. Raise funds with a toll for visitors to view the skyline? Listening, Learning and Leading. Morals, values, and principles. Would like to focus on leadership for youth.

Teresa Mosqueda, candidate for City Council Position 8: recovery from the pandemic – focusing on homelessness and affordable housing. Protect front line workers and support hotel workers. Originally came from representing labor before working on the City Council. \$128 million to support small businesses coming from the Federal recovery act. More info at [teamteresa.org](http://teamteresa.org)

Parker Dawson, office of Andrew Lewis guest speaker: Intention to be a Magnolia Farmer's Market participant once a month. 36 people were moved from Third Avenue encampment to various forms of rehousing. Parker will reply back to Lisa Barnes about where they all moved to. RFP processes are designing 30 new additional tiny house villages. LIHI is doing the Interbay Village. He has not heard back with updates on the Ursula Judkins request for information from Ted Coulson's group and will follow up.

Ursula Judkins Viewpoint, David Moehring, Ted Coulson: Fundraising update.

Donations of just over 3,000.00 to date. Almost halfway to the goal for legal fees. There is currently a motion to dismiss. Hoping for mediation. Next step is to get out some discovery requests to determine what they're using the buildings for. Stephen F. asks about the Farmer's Market as a fundraising opportunity. Janis suggests drafting a letter (which she volunteers to do) to send to personal contacts of MCC members for request for funds. Nicole suggests refreshing the FB page with the new language from the recent 'Motion to Dismiss' document. David M. asks about our next MCC meeting or whether there will be an Exec meeting to address this 4 to 6 weeks timeframe to respond to the developer/hearing

examiner on this issue. Hearing Examiners favor the developer 95% of the time. Lynn motions for a vote to designate Ted Coulson as MCC's pro bono counsel on the Ursula Judkins proceeding. Approved.

Land Use Committee Updates, David M: Albertson's/Safeway design review was postponed for a month. June 23<sup>rd</sup> is the new date at 5pm. You can have 2 minutes to give your comments to the Design Review Board. Safety concerns with the parking exit on the SW side. Master Use permit phase, David has not seen a list of what is required and what will happen if they can't achieve the list required for a living building.

3116 W. Raye development, 3 buildings on a single family lot connected by a small vestibule. Matthew K discusses the instances of starting a permit process for a DADU and ending up with a condominium classification after developing it. You don't have to have multi-family zoning to build a condominium. Pat C points out that the community should be made aware that this is a loophole in the legislation that allows single family zoned homes to be converted into townhomes.

David M. moves we prepare a letter to Dan Strauss, Andrew Lewis, Nick Welch on the City Council Land Use Committee requesting an audit to find out how many of these permits are being issued. David M. to review and revise the letter with other trustee volunteers for MCC to review and send.

Tiny House Update, Lynn H: Thanks Janis for representing MCC at the event for the Interbay village expansion event. Janis reports it was a great day and showed support from the community and governmental agencies working together. Janis thinks the addition will be in by the end of the summer. Lynn will keep us posted on announcements as they become ready.

Mayor's Candidate Forum, David K: There are currently 14 or 15 candidates, we'll be participating with a forum as a co-sponsor in July on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>.

City Council Candidate Forum: next Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. David needs a timekeeper volunteer. Carol asks for a list of candidates. Janis will send out a request for community member's questions.

Fall Planning for Meetings, David K: Emergency planning/preparedness – he will reach out to existing organization Carol suggested. Executive session to discuss financial planning/report for MCC will be at 6:30 before our September meeting. What does meeting in-person looks like? Or would we continue with virtual meetings and upgrade our Zoom subscription? In-person should we use the larger space in the church? Stephen F. volunteers to serve as timekeeper for the City Council Candidate Forum.

Tech Committee, Alison G: Presented new website design and format. Bios have been edited for consistent length. Calendar section needs to be updated. Current minutes are uploaded and just need to be linked. Asked for trustees interested in posting content to let us know so we can set them up. Presented Carol and Mary's suggestions for revamping the Resources section. Ben B. would like to request adding an advocacy section for links: Magnolia Bridge and NW Seattle Coalition come to mind, ([nwseattlecoalition.org](http://nwseattlecoalition.org)). Stephen F. sent out Dropbox links for access/posting.

Transportation, Ben B: Sound Transit will be at tomorrow's City Council Transportation Committee Meeting to discuss "realignment". The meeting is at 9:30am and public sign up opens at 7:30. Only note for comment is: We need two things: a subway built by 2030 to save human livability on the planet and a Tunnel to Ballard.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alison Grevstad, Recording Secretary