North Tabor Neighborhood Association

May 19, 2015 General Meeting Minutes

Board present:
Terry Dublinski-Milton, Acting Chair
Michael Andersen
Max Goldencrantz
Keith Mosman
Beth Sanders
Dana Savoie
Val Walker

Board not present:
Devlyn Keith
John Savoie

Others present:
Cathy Ridell, SEUL Representative
Nathan Walker, resident
Carol Smith, resident

April minutes approved unanimously with a correction to the NorthStar donation

Treasurer:
Total net of $1,500 from cleanup, split 50/50 with Mount Tabor NA

Arts:
Max’s two-week hiatus threw him for a loop.
Devlyn has hard copy on her computer of final design for mural.
Paint care reclamation fee has gone up: it’s now $700 of our $1,000, which leaves enough for rollers, but not for refreshments.

Max needs help organizing meetings for the mural
  needs help filing block party permits
  needs assurance that everybody’s committed to making it happen

Max plans to meet with Devlyn and Terry to plan painting tasks.
  Among other things, they’ll assign Michael some outreach tasks on June 5-6.
Max moved, and Michael seconded, a $150 discretionary fund from the board to spend on permits, refreshments. Unanimous.

SEUL:
Cathy says Right 2 Dream Too relocation was major focus of SEUL meeting. That discussion continues.
SEUL is discussing which executive authorities to give to LU/T committee.
Banners:
After North Tabor renamed itself in 2008 from CENTER (by one vote), the board put up banner as of 2012.
This is the second time there’s been maintenance - $300 to replace.
Mandalay Banners, the vendor, has sometimes been unresponsive.

Terry advocates for avoiding major banner expenditures to save money for a wooden sign.

On Thornburn and Burnside, construction may have removed the to brace and that banner may need to be removed.

Cathy says that: last May we spent $210: $150 for visit, $60 for two brackets

Getting a ladder to repair, replace, remove or install a banner costs $150 per trip.
Terry argues that we shouldn’t replace them.
Beth suggests holding off on sign repair until once or twice a year, instead of ad hoc repairs. There was general agreement on this idea.
Cathy will send a list of all locations to Terry, who will check status of all signs. Next month we will decide what to spend.

Parks:
52nd/Burnside
A while ago, Cathy noticed that ½ acre site with triplex at 52nd and Burnside was quietly for sale for an estimated $800k - between Tabor Tavern and slope.
Terry says Parks Department’s acquisition manager contacted Terry about a meeting.
The site is near 1500 residents who aren’t within ½ mile of another park.

Rosemont Bluff:
Under the terms of its acquisition, it must remain a natural area.
Ted Hilton has an idea for low-impact natural development: boulders, tree limbs to play on, etc. Parks Department is interested.

Oregon between Vera & 63rd:
The concept is to create a bike-accessible linear park with no auto access except for driveways.
At Greg Raiseman’s suggestion, Stephanie Szabo has volunteered to make a brochure to advertise this concept. Terry aims to get this together by Aug. 22, so it can be delivered specifically to people in the pocket with the North Tabor Note.
This would create a focused center in the entire pocket, Terry said.
Keith, who joined the safari, says that Holman city park is a wonderful and convincing model for a community park.
100% of adjacent homeowners will have to agree.
Transportation/Land Use:
Between 61st/Glisan and 67th/Glisan - sustainability commission and planner argued against allowing a mixed-use in between 61st/Glisan and 67th/Glisan might remove pressure to redevelop west of 61st while allowing tall buildings that would displace apartments south of Glisan.

Thanks to work by Terry and others, 80s greenway is now on city transportation systems plan. Terry will be among a handful of co-leading a Pedalpalooza ride of the route at 5:30 on June 17.

Communications:
Dana filled in for Devlyn to give the report.
The committess is pricing new yard signs and a banner. We discussed tweaks to the text of the signs designed by Stephanie. Dana will pass the suggestions on.

As sponsors of Mount Tabor Park concerts, we can get a table there on Tuesdays July 7, 14, 21, 28.
Terry volunteers to table July 14.

Keith proposed some tweaks to the neighborhood description on the website to include some unique things about the neighborhood: the Arts committee, the high renter population, the lack of a park or school (but we’re in the process of working towards our first parks). Keith will work with Devlyn and the Comm committee to draft this.

Based on SEUL recommendations, Keith proposed having a “Welcome to the meeting” handout or packet.

The summer edition of the North Tabor Note will go out Aug. 22. Sponsors and content due Aug. 8.

National Night Out week is the week surrounding Tuesday, Aug 4. We agreed to skip that and instead focus on making our block party/mandala painting awesome... unless Max can get Raisman to OK pushing the painting one week to Aug. 1.

Summer goals:
Terry has something for the June LU/T agenda: 50s bikeway traffic spillover onto 55th/52nd is large enough for us to get mitigation funds.
Beth will focus on putting out fires.
Max will get mural done.
Keith Mosman volunteers to be Vice Chair. Nominated. Unanimous consent.
Val is promoting International day of prayer for peace.
Nathan is interested in taking on Twitter moderation for the neighborhood.

Next NTNA monthly meeting:
Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 6:30-8:30pm @ 5600 NE Glisan