

May NTNA LUTC MAY 3 RD Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

Terry Dublinski-Milton NTNA LUTC Chair

Sam fuqua

Gabrielle gardner

Suzanne gardner

Ray Gardner

Kerry Aguilar

Jim & Marie Porter

Adam Cornel owner of 61st place and Oregon duplex

We had a briefing on Burnside and Stark speed reductions and future safety measures. Terry did a short briefing on the coming sewer repairs, the townhouses on East Burnside and 57 th, the buried fuel tank abatement and sale of the former auto repair station at 60th and Burnside.

Terry will follow up on talking to someone about seismically assessing the Fred Meyer property.

We had a long discussion of parking management including PPMC workers or visitors. Park and riders for business travelers on 61 st or Davis and in the Pocket. There was a Call for a traffic engineer to talk about the safety benefits of no parking near corners on 55 th, Terry will organize that as part of a more global safety request to PBOT.

We then discussed the current and future residential parking permit system. The discussion of global parking and TDM STRATEGIES including PPMC ended with Terry delegated to ask Tony Jorden to come to an NTNA board meeting for a parking management presentation.

Much of the meeting was spent talking about the comprehensive plan for growth over the next 20 years, how it would effect the Pocket, global taxation and how Bikeways are paid for, their benefits for congestion mitigation and then about NE Oregon and the park concept in particular.

The Gardner household is worried that a park would impact their driveway access, parking for guests who have parties and throughput auto access. This last issue was seconded by Sam as well.

They both thought that the park would attract houseless individuals or crime. I felt more eyes on the street and a center placemaking Linear park would create community including old and new neighbours, thus lowering crime.

After discussing the long range Zoning and possible growth, Adam who owns the rental on the corner of 61st place and Oregon stated a park would be a nice addition to the community and not impact his ability to rent unless to make it more desirable.

As for a discussion of the need for placemaking, the Gardner household does not feel that this is an issue for pocket residents and felt we were looking at this through ‘a bike colored lens.’ I pointed out that I had heard nothing but positive feedback until now. They all were in favor of the greenways connecting the Pocket in each direction, but concerned about possible negative consequences of a park.

We left with a discussion of a Woonerf: a European shared living Street model designed for walking pace. This seemed to have some interest as a compromise option.

I personally recommend at the May 21 St meeting that his hybrid option be included as one of several possible build out possibilities for NE Oregon. As would be including issues of vegetation behind Fred meyer or a more global planning concept for Pocket livability.