

NORTHEAST COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOODS

NECN Board Meeting Tuesday 10/15/2019 6:30- 8:00 pm NECN Office- Conference Room

Board Members present:

Mariah Dula, Chair, Alameda Kymberly Jeka, Humboldt Donn Dennis, Concordia Dennis Kennedy, Woodlawn Luke Norman, at large Amy Wilson, King Beven Byrnes, at large Ankur Dholakia, at-large Jere Fitterman, Eliot Dave Brook, Sullivan's Gulch Keith Jones, Lloyd Sean Green, Sabin Jere Fitternan, Eliot

Staff: Adam Lyons

Community: Gary Kuntz: East Columbia Neighborhood Association Chair

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with introductions.

Vote to approve meeting minutes from September, 2019. Mariah Dula moves to approve minutes, Kym Jeka seconds.

Mariah presents a brief update on Walnut Park Shelter volunteer opportunity. November 24<sup>th</sup> is the best day for everyone to bring and serve food.

Gary Kuntz presents on noise pollution related to flight patterns of the Air National Guard, asks to sign on to a advocacy letter to Kate Brown. Sean motions in favor, Kym seconds all board is in favor except Ankur who abstains.

Environmental letters request for advocacy, Beven presents.

- Overlook letter regarding Union Pacific Rail Road
- Brooklyn neighborhood and diesel pollution
- Columbia Steel Casting pollution

## www.necoalition.org

- Owens Brockway and Glass related pollution in the Cully neighborhood
- Linton Tank Farms

\*Due to the timeliness, this would be to support letters as written, in the future the board would like to re-write letters more in alignment with NECN perspective.

Motion to support as a slate, Amy makes a motion. Jere seconds. All in favor.

Letter regarding Zenith terminal, Sean presents. Authorize the Chair to create an interim letter until NECN gets better clarity on what the appropriate asks are of the City and County. Sean makes a motion, Jere seconds, all present members are in favor.

Discussion of ideas by Mariah, the question is are there ways we can advocate for the evolution of the current neighborhood system related to structural equity, finances and reportable metrics. These may be things to ask of Civic Life.

Adam presents on executive director report. (On file)

Budget discussion for this fiscal year. Board needs more time to review. Sean makes a motion to have the executive committee authorized to vote on it at the next executive meeting. Beven seconds. All in favor.

Better Housing By Design Letter presented by Luke Norman. Letter is presented, Amy wants to go on record stating she hoped there would be more advocacy regarding greenspaces in the letter. Sean goes on the record to point out that the letter was intended to promote affordability (and the two might not be in alignment). Beven moves to approve this letter and Keith seconds. All in favor except Amy is a 'nay', and Donn abstains.

Sean asks that the agenda item regarding the Residential Infill Project be moved to a later date as time for the meeting is running out.

Sean presents a letter regarding the DRAC (Demolition Advisory Committee) which advocates for better oversite regarding safety and demolitions. Kym motions in favor and Amy seconds. All board members in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Minutes submitted by Adam Lyons