

Summit-Waller Community Association

Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, August 6, 2019
Mid-County Community Center
10205 44th Ave E, Tacoma, WA

Meeting Minutes

Agenda Based

I. Call to Order 7:05 pm

President – Larry Volland; **Vice-President** – Angela Angove

Present: L. Volland, A. Angove, J. Goodspeed, D. Haire,
D. Massie, B. Koreis

Excused: L. Ikeda, J. Bosworth, R. Reed, M. Giannobile

Note: It was suggested by Larry that Don Massie and Lisa Ikeda might change rolls on the board, alternate vs. permanent.

II. Reading/Approval of Bd. Mtg. Minutes

July 2, 2019 Mtg. Minutes – A. Angove

Motion: (DM /DH) approve July 2nd minutes as submitted.

Motion Approved: Unanimous

III. Officer Reports/Correspondence/Announcements

Treasurer's Reports: July 2019 – R. Reed

No action taken at this time.

Motion: (DM /AA) To approve a 2019 annual gift to MCCC of \$600 in appreciation of using the facilities for meetings.

Motion Approved: Unanimous

Guest: Chelsea Talbert – AMARA: Information/Input

Chelsea handed out a flyer titled "Lend Your Voice" explaining Amara's vision and seeking community input. There is a link provided

(<https://bit.ly/2YcoYir>) to a survey to facilitate community input. The survey asks, "What are the best uses for the AMARA property located on 104th St E.?" And, "What services may be needed that match the community?" There is an 18-person community leadership team comprising 1/3rd impacted foster families, 1/3rd community, 1/3rd professionals. Input is encouraged at this link:

(lendyourvoice.amara.pierce@gmail.com).

November 9th - a summary will be presented back to the community. The Amara board will make the final decisions.

IV. Current Business

1. Mid-County Community Plan Revision

Reminder: Mid-County Community Plan updates @:

www.piercecountywa.gov/cpupdate

P. C. Planning Commission Letters: 6/18, 6/24: 121st St E, Urban UGA Boundary; 6/26: “No Net Loss”; P.C. Exec. Ltr.: 7/8: “No Net Loss”

P.C. Planning Comm.: Final Mtgs. Nov. 6 & 7 @ 6:30 pm @ Annex

There were meetings 7/10 and 7/29 and comments are open through 10/30/2019. Dan and Larry have sent letters supporting the no net loss issue to Dan Caldwell. It appears that the PC staff (Dan Caldwell) are resistant. Dan Haire suggested that another board member might send a letter as well.

Final meetings have been moved from December to November 6th and 7th at the PC annex building.

Bob wants the city of Tacoma to work on density and to work with Pierce County on cohesion between them on transit and traffic issues plus taller building heights that impact density. Bob also expressed concern about noise abatement as traffic along Canyon Road increases. There appears to be no room for barriers or trees due to the cost of land acquisition along the corridor.

2. **Orangegate Park** Updates – FYI: total volunteer hrs. – July: 14 hrs.
Ord. 2019-12: Effect. July 1 – 42 “No Parking, Stopping, Standing, 10 PM To 5 AM” installed. + 2 new large “Welcome to Orangegate Park” signs
Larry is still finding trash dumps on and around the property, specifically two that have since been cleared. Fewer dumps seem to be the trend since 42 warning/ “no parking” signs went up. There have been two incidents of sign vandalism.
3. **Canyon Road Regional Connection Project** – Update – D. Haire
Two or three PC staff plan to be at the September SWCA board meeting to address the issue. There is not much we can do at this point since it is under way. Our (SWCA) advocacy should center on these issues: Limited access points to create a through-fare, farm / agriculture preservation and supporting the GMA plan that provides a buffer from the City of Tacoma and the surrounding rural areas.
4. **Chronic Nuisance Properties** - Update
4018 103rd St E is still an issue as code enforcement is dragging their feet. Three occupied RVs were reported on 104th St E near this location.
5. **Waller Road Curve Issue** – Further discussion in October
Item tabled until October meeting.
6. **Canyon Rim Estates** – 16 Homes on ½ acre lots; 62nd Ave E.,
Application # 908878 – Update: Mid-County LUAC Tues., July 9 @ 6:30 pm @ MCCC

Dan observed that the lots are small and skinny crating a false sense of acreage since much of the area is a steep hillside. Dan intends to suggest 8 sites at a maximum to the LUAC or PC examiner.

7. **Homeless Camp** – 72nd & Canyon Rd E Issue – an Update?
No update. Bob reports not much activity lately. Two RVs come and go. There is one large piece of landscape fabric to obstruct the view.
8. Cross Traffic signage at **Vickery & 96th & 72nd** : Ltrs. Sent 6/19 & 7/5
*Larry has not heard back regarding the letters he sent out to Marty Campbell and Ron Grinnley.
Discussion on the next steps: Table the 72nd St E request due to the new 3 lane configuration. Advocate for a sign “Cross Traffic Does Not Stop” at 96th St E. Dan suggested forwarding Larry’s previous letters to Brian Stacy, Larry will do this.*
9. **Rody Event Center** Project: 9918 Canyon Rd E – Update
Discussion: This is an allowed use by code, no action to be taken by SWCA. The impact on the surrounding neighbors will be traffic during each event held at the facility. Angela will find out who is the P.C. planner assigned to the project. It may be that we can advocate to reduce the scope of the project (# of people allowed) and traffic mitigation for events.

V. New Business

1. Reminder: **Canyon Rd Widening Project** is in progress.
*Dan advocated for the “no net loss” of rural designations following the Merriman decision. The Pierce County Council killed the “no net loss” feature from the Rural Separator zoning in 2010 according to Dan. The LUAC wants to work that principle back into the new community plans. Pierce County planning staff wants to stand by the 2010 decision against the no net loss.
Dan will write a letter to attempt to set up a meeting or call with Dan Caldwell and Bruce Dammeier to discuss the issue.*
2. Reminder: **Puyallup Tribal Council** - new chairman: David Bean
No action required at this time.
3. Waller Rd Neighborhood Watch Mtg. **was** Aug. 2,
Next Watch Mtg.: Sept. 6
4. Note: **Pierce County ADA Transition Plan** is on-line for comments.
Angela highlighted the items of interest to SWCA such as sidewalks, etc. and the suggested 88 facility improvements.

Adjournment

8:24 pm

Next Bd. Mtg.: Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019, 7pm @ the MCCC.