LCC Trustees Meeting Minutes 10/10/2016
Laurelhurst Community Center

<u>Attending</u>: Jeannie Hale, Kay Kelly, Linda Luiten, Colleen McAleer, Brian McMullen, Connie Sidles, Stan Sorscher, Leslie Wright, Emily Dexter

<u>Excused</u>: Robin Chalmers, Heather Newman, Liz Ogden, Don Torrie, Maggie Weissman

<u>Guest</u>: Theresa Doherty, Senior Project Director, Campus Master Plan, UW Planning & Management, neighbors Norma Baker, Bill Baker, Bill Watts, Gregg Blodgett, Barb Ragee, Donna Fey, Mike Fey, Ross, Jordan, Angie Johnson, Barney, Harford, and Karen Ko. Others may not have signed in.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM, followed by introductions.

<u>Draft UW Master Plan</u>: Theresa Doherty provided an overview of the draft UW master plan. The 2018 Campus Master Plan (CMP) is the regulatory vehicle for the University's future development, defining both the square footage to be constructed and the geographic location of such development, and is guided by the 1998 City University Agreement between the University of Washington and the City of Seattle. The master planning effort focuses on the Seattle campus and its property located within the Major Institution Overlay, or MIO.

Work on this CMP began in 2015 so that by 2018, the 2018 CMP would be in place to accommodate the new growth requirements. Between 2015 and 2018, the University of Washington developed this long-term vision for the full build out of the Seattle campus as well as a 10-year conceptual plan for campus growth that balances the preservation of historic campus assets with intensive investment.

Theresa Doherty passed out copies of a presentation, titled "2018 Campus Master Plan Preliminary Draft Concepts." Both the Master Plan and the EIS are available on the UW Web site. The comment period ends on November 21. Several public events are scheduled online, on campus, and at cafés in the University District. The official SPEA hearing is October 26.

The City-University Agreement requires 12 elements in the Master Plan. Additional UW property outside the boundaries of the Major Institution must conform to city building codes. In 2003, UW identified 8.3 million square feet of additional capacity, and received authority to develop a fraction of that. The new Master Plan identifies additional capacity, making a new total of 12.7 million square feet. UW plans to develop 6 million square feet of that amount. The new development would be used for academic purposes, plus about 1000 beds of student housing. Most students live within 5 miles of campus.

A lot of the development is in the form of higher structures for existing locations. West of campus, several buildings could be over 200 feet. Along Montlake Ave, many buildings

could be 80-130 feet tall. Theresa discussed some of the phasing for areas West, South, and East of campus.

The large parking lot, E-1, is not fully used. New development would displace that parking area. Parking well be needed for students on campus, plus use of the new development along Montlake, and the rented parking used by the shuttle to Childrens' would move elsewhere.

Transit use is increasing, and use of the E-1 parking lot is decreasing. The Roosevelt Light Rail station will open in 2021, which would offset need for parking. UW recognizes an AM and PM cap for use of parking stalls. Theresa says the EIS contains a transportation section, which analyzes traffic and parking in the primary zone, UW, and the secondary zone, in the surrounding neighborhood.

Traffic estimates in the EIS work from surveys of students, faculty, and staff.

Development would move forward, based on needs and growth of the University. As the University identifies new development, the community will be involved through CUCAC, the Community-University-City Advisory Committee.

Total population on campus is around 57,000 and is projected to be 80,000 by 2028. Currently, about 6,900 parking stalls are used per day, out of about 11,000 available spaces, including E-1. 623 residential stalls are not included.

ADMINISTRATION

Calls and Concerns from Neighbors:

- 1. <u>Dead seals</u>: In early September, a dead seal was reported at Waterway No. 1. LCC facilitated removal of the animal. Another dead seal was discovered at a nearby neighbor's waterfront home.
- 2. <u>SR520 noise</u>: On September 22, a representative from Strategies 360 contacted LCC to see if our community has been impacted by the noise caused by the expansion joints on the new 520 bridge construction. McAleer responded.
- 3. Homeless encampment proposal: LCC has received dozens of emails and phone calls about Councilmember Rob Johnson's proposal to allow homeless encampments on public property (parks, greenbelts, sidewalks, etc.). Homeless camping would be allowed in undeveloped park areas that are not actively used. This would be different from the tent cities, which are self-regulated and have a better track record. City Council will vote in the next few days. LCC submitted comments opposing the legislation.
- 4. <u>New developments coming</u>: Several residents in Windermere Circle have contacted the Blog about homes that have been demolished and replaced with three town homes that will be three stories high.
- 5. <u>Burglaries</u>: On September 8 around 1:30 a.m., a neighbor's house was broken into. When the small dog started barking, the burglars fled. They stole wallets, electronics and an anniversary ring. Police were called. SPD has provided photos of suspects in View Ridge and Laurelhurst burglaries.

- 6. <u>Suspicious man</u>: On September 27, a neighbor encountered a white, older man with dark hair weaving across the intersection of NE 41s and 45th Avenue NE. He was carrying luggage and went back and forth across the street several times before heading towards the 43rd Avenue NE boulevard. The man was unkempt, had brown facial hair and was wearing jeans and a sweatshirt. The neighbor said the man was quite definitely not from around here. He called 911.
- 7. Car break-ins: On October 1, someone rifled through the car of neighbors who live in the 4400 block of 54th Avenue NE. The contents of the car were scattered throughout the inside of the locked car. Another nearby neighbor also had their car ransacked the same evening. It was suggested that the mayor and city council focus more attention on criminal activities in neighborhoods and property crimes. On the same day between 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., prowlers opened the locked car of a neighbor who lives on the 4200 block of 51st Avenue NE. Personal items were stolen. Also on October 1, two SUVs were rifled through on the 3900 block of 50th Avenue NE. A few small items were stolen.

On October 3, thieves broke into another car and stole a tennis bag with two tennis racquets. On October 8, another neighbor's car was broken into. Contents were strewn about and the garage door opener was taken. On the same date, a Town of Yesler neighbor's car was broken into, but nothing stolen. Other car prowls were reported.

8. <u>Stolen wheels</u>: On October 3, sometime between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. the next day, thieves stole the wheels on a 2016 Audi S4 when the car was parked on the street in front of the homeowner's house. The two driver's side wheels were taken and the car was propped up on a concrete block. There was another concrete block on the passenger side of the car, but the neighbor thought the thieves were interrupted and left.

Motion: Connie Sidles/Colleen McAleer moved that LCC donate \$250 on honor of Sarah Reichard Fellowship Endowment or the Sarah Reichard Fund for the Lake Union Natural Area. Sarah Reichard volunteered in the Natural Area for many years. **Motion passed** without objection.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Emily Dexter passed out financial statements and gave a brief update.

Motion: Colleen/Connie to provide \$500 for 2 months work by Greg Wingard regarding demolition work on SR-520. **Motion passed** without objection.

Announcements:

- 1. The board reviewed the monthly NEDC announcement handout that was included in the agenda packets.
- 2. <u>Children's SAC Committee Meeting</u>: The SAC will meet on Tuesday, October 18 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Ocean Café, 7th Floor, Seattle Children's Hospital. LCC's subcommittee previously met with hospital officials on Thursday, September 22.

<u>CUCAC Update:</u> Kay Kelly brought copies of the Master Plan and the EIS that Theresa talked about. Kay is working on the Master Plan, and Leslie Wright is looking at the EIS.

<u>Crime Prevention</u>: Linda Luiten reported an increase in robberies, residential and business burglaries in north Seattle. The North Precinct will be divided into two parts, starting immediately – co-located within the north precinct building. Calls to 911 are used to allocate police resources.

Brian McMullen reported an increase in residential burglaries in our neighborhood. Brian passed out pictures from home security cameras, showing suspects in the burglaries.

SR 520: Colleen mentioned that KIRO TV did an investigative piece on this issue on Channel 4 Tonight, October 10th, 2016, featuring the City of Kenmore.

Colleen's written report on SR 520:

- 1. Investigation on over-lighting continues with KING 5 News, Heather Graf planning to air a report on Tuesday, Oct 11th, featuring Laurelhurst, to discuss vitality issues on the salmonids.
- 2. LCC has been in contact with Julie Meredith, head of SR520 Bridge program, to work on remedies including changing light fixtures, adding a dimmer, or placing hoods over fixtures, placing a shield on the north side of the Shared Use Lane to reduce "spill" light onto Lake WA. The artificial light has been found in research by wildlife scientists, and in the 9/14/16 reports from the NW Treaty Tribes, to attract the juvenile fish, and also their predators who eat them before they transverse to Puget Sound by way of the Montlake Cut. WSDOT released a NEPA/SEPA re-evaluation in 2012, showing a dark image of the proposed new bridge from the north side. The report discouraged excess light from the bridge. The actual lighting on the bridge is far brighter due to more footcandles emitted from each light bulb.
- 3. State House Representatives Jessyn Farrell and Gerry Pollett also met with residents to aide in a solution through the Legislature.
- 4. The Coalition of cities around Lake WA including Kenmore, Medina, and Seattle have filed a notice to Contractor KGM and WSDOT stating potential violations of the Clean Water Act from the demolition of the old SR520 Bridge. Greg Wingard has been the research advocate working with Aaron Smith (attorney), to present data, which had found 55-65 part/mm of arsenic in the old bridge. The dust and water run off from the demolition may be spilling into Lake WA, and the off loading of these materials from barges used onto the City of Kenmore Port may be exposing residents to hazardous toxins.
- 5. The Clean Water case remains active, and the group met with attorneys from KGM who deny any pollutants escaping into the air or water.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 9:01 PM Notes by Stan Sorscher