

Riverfront Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, November 14, 2016

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Location: Bernice's Bakery

190 S. 3rd St. W

Missoula, MT 59802

Leadership Team Members Present: Britt Arnesen, Caleb Kasper, Jeff Rice, Janet McMillan, Ed Nolder

Others Present: Gwen Jones, City Council, Emily Bentley, City Council, Bob Giordano, Missoula Institute for Sustainable Transportation (MIST), Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator, Ron Olson, Danny Tenebaum

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1. Approval of October Leadership Team Meeting minutes – minutes were approved as posted.
 2. Update: Cregg Lane – Gwen Jones, City Council Member - Emily Bentley brought up a discussion about master plans and other policies which affect the neighborhood but underwent public process many years ago. Some of this information is being added to the neighborhood's webpage in an effort to keep current residents informed. The proposed construction project at Cregg Lane was discussed. The city painted temporary striping in one of the areas near the entrance to Currents. The group discussed whether the sidewalk from the new bus stop will be continuous all the way to Currents front door.
 3. Update on the 5th/6th street study – Caleb Kasper and Bob Giordano - The public meeting that had been held at the Senior Center was discussed. Many residents from the neighborhood attended. Bob Giordano testified on behalf of MIST in support of Option 1C which has a single vehicle travel lane except at intersections where there are turn lanes, and a buffered bicycle lane. MIST supports the bicycle lane on the right side because there are twice as many left turns during peak hours, it is culturally ingrained to look for cyclists/slow moving traffic on the right, and the transition could be clunky or even dangerous. The study showed the delay to motor vehicles will be negligible. Ron Olson expressed concern about the length of the queue during peak hours and a need for restriping of the curbs to prevent parking in places that reduce visibility. He said bicyclists should be protected. Britt Arnesen moved for the Riverfront Neighborhood Council Leadership Team to support Option 1C (single vehicle travel lane with turn lanes at intersections

and buffered bike lane on the right) in the 5th/6th St Study. The motion was seconded by Janet McMillan. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Fireworks and Ogren Noise Issue – Gwen Jones, City Council Member discussed the loud Need to Breathe concert and about how the neighborhood can receive better enforcement of noise laws.
5. Community Forum Report – Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator - They received a presentation about the Library Bond and also Fox Triangle Development.
6. Office of Neighborhoods Report – Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator - Community Forum this Thursday, Jeff Rice will attend.
7. New Business - None
8. Public comment on non-agenda items - Emily Bentley asked for the group's feedback about a potential city partnership with the Missoula International School (MIS). Possible topic for next LT meeting agenda.
9. Announcements

Next leadership team meeting: December 12, 2016 @ Bernice's

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