



## **Meeting Minutes**

Date: May 11, 2016 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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### **Adoption of Articles of Incorporation – Paul Kropp**

Summarized changes authorized by board of directors (officers) of the amendments of the Articles of Incorporation with the state of Washington. Original articles are preserved. Added distribution of assets to another qualified non-profit organization, new business practices in compliance with state law and the IRS for non-profit organizations.

If IRS approves 501c3 status, no federal taxes will need to be paid by SNC and donations to SNC are deductible on federal income tax by donors. Restrictions on activities include legislation, propaganda, or political office candidates. Currently SNC is involved in application of legislation and doesn't participate in any activities restricted.

Quorum requirement of 30% of eligible voting members (currently 5 members).

Ted Teske agrees that a quorum is present (8 present).

Motion to adopt the Articles of Incorporation amendments. Moved and seconded.

Passed 8 to 0.

Paul will file with the state of Washington. Ted Teske will sign an application to the IRS in the next month or so.

Many thanks to the Gonzaga Law School Clinic for their hours of assistance on this project.

### **Rise for Justice Fundraiser, SNC table – Teresa Kafentzis**

Need RSVPs to Thursday, May 19 at 7:30 to 8:30 at the Davenport Grand. Accepting donations and would love to have members of SNC to attend. Ray will send out invitations.

## **NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS**

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes approved from April.

### **Treasurer's Report -- no change.**

Election of new treasurer. Nominated Andy Hoye to complete the remainder of the term.

Passed unanimously.

### **Community Assembly Report –**

- Citywide Sidewalk Repair and Gap Program – Discussion on whether the city should invest time and money in developing a program
  - Based on city’s pedestrian plan where SNC is a low priority neighborhood
  - Would increase taxes
  - Isn’t there a limit on how much property taxes can be raised?
  - What is the priority from the city that is going to affect individual neighborhoods? Are we going to see sidewalks in our neighborhood?
  - Major arterial projects will continue to add and repair sidewalks
  - What about streets that are wide enough to have sidewalks but just don't?
  - The need is inequitable and no way to equitably distribute money. Still support moving forward.
  - City and county now require sidewalks on all new developments, this is a program to repair and build missing sidewalks.
  - 650 miles of missing sidewalks in city.
    - Motion made to support the idea of researching the feasibility of the project. Passed 11 to 0.
- Reminder to use the Google calendar for events – share with events with to Office of Neighborhood Services.
- Please update any changes to officers (important for neighborhood notification)
- SNC Clean Up is May 27 – Curbside pickup.
- Infill Housing – Asking what are your neighborhood’s concerns? Why do you think that it’s not working? Does it need to be neighborhood-specific?
  - Each neighborhood can send a representative to the June 30 focus group (send name to planning by June 20)
  - Send short email to Nate Gwinn before the June 30 meeting
  - More discussions over the summer
  - Graphics on planning website
  - Recommendation that SNC LUC review information and bring back discussion points for
- CDGB funds \$2000 for 2016. Ongoing trainings schedule for what qualifies. SNC needs to be aware of potential uses for funds.
- CA neighborhood funds (\$500) wouldn’t allow sidewalk signs. Deadline not met. Revisit at June meeting. Suggestions: rack cards, coffee mugs, vinyl sign, etc. Melissa will send out price lists.
- CA handbook is complete and now available on the website. Excellent resource.

### **New ONS Liaison to SNC**

- Melissa Wittstruck, introduced at meeting.

### **Waste Management – Andy Hoye**

- City is planning to redesign and optimize the garbage routes. Andy asked if the costs would go down to the citizens. (Stay tuned.)

### **Pedestrian, Trails, and Transportation Committee**

- STA considering increasing fares from \$1.50 to \$2.00

### **Land Use Committee**

- Land Annexation at 53<sup>rd</sup> & Regal affective on May 28 in city. Developer is currently meeting with the county to build two drive-thrus on Regal on front of the property. No one at county will answer if the 4 acres on back of property will be zoned in county or city since not permitted yet.
- KXLY Comp Plan Amendment – hearing May 11. New members of plan commission asked how it would meet the intention of the centers and corridors zoning. KXLY asked to present at the SNC June meeting.
- South Hill YMCA – under consideration. Survey completed showed two locations at 57<sup>th</sup> & Palouse or 29<sup>th</sup> and SW. Currently the YMCA is more interested in the further south location. VP of Operations will present survey results to the YMCA board in late May and then share with SNC.
- 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue project started this week with the storm water facility. 37<sup>th</sup> will be closed between Havana to Ray.
- Assisted living facility at 44<sup>th</sup> on Freya is for 5 buildings with 64 units. Company is from Coeur d’Alene. 24-hour care facility. Predevelopment meeting. Public comment period will be scheduled. Previous SEPA covers property so no new one required. City has requested right of way and paving and sidewalks. SNC will submit comments.
- Diamond Rock Subdivision on Freya – bulldoze houses on Freya south of 44<sup>th</sup> and build 20 houses. No permits or meetings yet.
- Gas station at 44<sup>th</sup> and Regal. No further applications from Maverick.
- Ben Burr Apartments at 57<sup>th</sup> & Regal. Still waiting for SEPA mitigation. Parents at Moran Prairie have been meeting because they are upset that apartments may overcrowd school and are going to the school board.
  - Question: How would SNC respond if asked to participate.
  - Answer: those that live in the city could join SNC, we could form a coalition to develop a unified voice.
- Twisted Willows Power Poles – Ted has been receiving comments that the power poles are being relocated and running next to neighbors’ homes. Large transition line Avista project to update power poles. New poles are 70-foot tall and made of rusted metal. Avista says no notification is required. Project will extend through October. Moving poles slightly changed subdivision. Open area of 75-feet under poles.
- Crosswalk completed on Palouse by Target
- Planting completed along 44<sup>th</sup> trail and is being irrigated by Greystone neighbors.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.  
Next Meeting June 8, 2016

Minutes submitted by

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Secretary