

## **NW Parking SAC**

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Friendly House  
1737 NW 26th Ave.  
Portland, OR 97210

Meeting Notes

### **Members in attendance**

Karen Karlsson, Rick Michaelson (Chair), Thomas Ranieri, Phil Selinger, Don Singer, Ron Walters, Elizabeth Aaby, Mark Stromme, Tavo Cruz

### **Staff**

Bill Hoffman (PBOT), Chris Armes (PBOT), Indra Furre (PBOT), Lynda Viray (PBOT), Joan Frederiksen (BPS)

### **Public in attendance**

James Santana, Larry Ellifritz, Gina Cole, Adam Lake, Jim Kennett

### **Welcome & Public Comment**

Rick Michaelson called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. and invited public comment.

#### **Public Comment:**

Jim Kennett from NW Portland Hostel requested a replacement of bike racks and also a short term space for guests on 18<sup>th</sup> and Glisan. The Hostel has an estimated 10% of guests arrive with cars which is about 8 cars per night and a new building in the works which would add about 6 cars. Jim explained the 5 min parking was removed when the new smart meters were installed and requested the short term spaces be restored. Rick and Bob both discussed the need to develop an exceptions policy for short term spaces requests. Maps were circulated and Chris presented the planned 30 minutes spaces (initially 198 total) and the proposed extension of 30 minute spaces in the NW. Chris will follow up on the replacement of bike racks for the Hostel.

#### **Summary of Planning Commission Hearing**

The Planning and Sustainability Commission hearing took place on March 8<sup>th</sup> where 14 people testified on staff recommendations to impose mandatory parking requirements in NW. The commission didn't support the minimum parking requirements but they did support shared parking. The main concerns expressed by the commission was affordability and suppressing the supply of units. Staff are able to reintroduce the recommendations to City Council for a possible override but a date is not yet scheduled. Karen will take the lead on initiating a plan for the upcoming hearing.

**Review Final Recommended Code Changes and the Planning and Sustainability Commission meeting:**

The SAC will prepare a letter outlining changes they would like to see related to the exceptions and the parking minimum requirements. NWDA will also be writing a letter related to this item. Although the SAC recommended that the first paragraph on page 12 be re-examined as well as page 14 section E to be struck out. The SAC does agree that 80% of what was asked for was put into the regulations on page 12-14 of Joan's staff report. Joan reviewed the notification process and said that a Measure 56 notice has been sent out to all property owners as well as required notifications. There are concerns about the ratios of parking to the number of occupancy units.

**Short term Parking Needs:**

At a previous SAC meeting James Santana from Cairn Pacific LLC and Larry Ellifritz from the Consolidated Community Credit Union requested the addition of short term spaces to NW 21<sup>st</sup> near the new development at Quimby. The request from Cairn Pacific LLC and the Consolidated Community Credit Union is to have short term spaces along NW 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue. The SAC agreed to look at exceptions for short term parking on streets near NW 21<sup>st</sup> and NW 23<sup>rd</sup> but wanted to keep the 2 hour and 4 hour meters on these streets. Previously the SAC didn't want to make changes to the parking until the plan was fully implemented and the next round of data collected. Because of the delay in the meter installation and the development that is occurring in the Con-Way area that wasn't anticipated when the plan was developed the SAC agreed that extending the 30-minute spaces to the corners would be a good approach. Chris will work with the Engineering Technicians to add the additional 30-minute spaces in the current APP permit only area.

**TDM:**

The SAC is interested in how the employees/business owners understand the TDM. If there isn't anyone from the SAC willing to participate the subcommittee will reach out to the Nob Hill Business Association to get information on what works for employees and employers. The subcommittee is interested in having someone with the business perspective involved.

**Zone M Permit Changes**

Soon the SAC will need to discuss what changes may/will be needed to how permits are issued in the District. Because this is a complicated item the SAC feels that it should start discussing this item now so that when changes are made to the Parking Permit Program they are prepared to act. There was a list of questions handed out related to this item and the SAC will start thinking about this item now. Thirty minutes will be set aside at the April meeting to start this discussion.

**New Business:**

Tom asked if the SAC will start discussing adding off-street parking to their agenda soon. Rick said yes it will be discussed in the future and that this may be an item for a subcommittee.

The new meter installation is going well, they are doing 33 a week and should be finished in April. People are using the meters and as more meters are installed the enforcement officers will move from scooters to bikes in the meter area.