



Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority (PDA)

Executive Committee MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday July 20th, 2011
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Goodwin Library

Committee Members Present: James Savitt – Chair, Ann Magnano – 2nd Vice Chair, Gloria Skouge, John Finke, Pat Kerr, Bruce Burger

Staff Present: Ben Franz-Knight, Ryan Yale

Others:

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 a.m. by James Savitt, Chair.

I. Administrative

- A. Approval of Agenda
The amended Agenda was approved by acclamation
- B. Approval of June 22nd 2011 Minutes.
The minutes passed by acclamation
- C. Announcements and Community Concerns
None

II. Council Chair's Report – Jim Savitt

Jim reported on the Council's Agenda, which included the waterfront presentation from Ben and will identify the issues of the final Environmental Impact Statement from the city. Jim added that the council should discuss what did we want the action item to be and what response should be given in addition to the different options for engagement to reflect the Market's stance. The second part of the action items at the Council meeting will be to adopt a statement of priorities to engage the waterfront and viaduct demolition in order to begin mapping out a schedule. Jim noted that the non-levy phase I uses will be summarized and prioritized for Council in August. He added that the parking garage revue will be submitted in September for pre-budget review. The retreat on organizational issues in late September or early October will also be the time to discuss Pike Place street uses. Jim noted that a review of the Strategic Planning committee will also take place at this time in order to identify the pros, cons and priorities on a project by project base. The E.D evaluation process has begun and he stated that it will be the responsibility of the Exec committee and take place during the meeting in order to do the evaluation prior to the budget review. Jim suggested that a subcommittee of three council members should be formed in order to thoroughly evaluate the Executive Director in addition to an in person discussion. Jim noted that the review process will also include speaking with the staff within the office and other individuals outside of the PDA to provide his/her input.

III. Executive Director's Report – Ben Franz-Knight

- A. Renovation/Levy Update

Ben reported on Phase II and stated that all the major construction is completed including Gary's Tex Mex and Jack's Fish. Ben added that there is still some final back punches to complete, but as a whole the Phase II work is essentially complete. Ben discussed the presentation to the city of the Phase II work and stated that the annual update to the city council was received very well. He stated that Phase III has begun, but the work is focused on areas outside of public spaces, such as the 2nd floor of the Economy Building and the courtyard at the Stewart House. He stated that the majority of the work will be done early morning and there will be a dumpster. Ben added that the full mobilization of Phase III will begin September 6th. In addition, the PDA has been working with the tenants of the South Arcade in preparation for the closure of the gates in the economy and will also be providing directional signage from September 2011 – February 2012. In addition, the Phase III final proposed design solution will be submitted soon for Soames Dunn and that John Turnbull has been working very hard to make it run smoothly

B. NMTC Proposed Uses Update

Ben reported on the Non-Levy proposed uses and will bring forth a comprehensive plan over the course of the next two months. This plan will also include a report outlining the uses with input from legal counsel to ensure the uses are in accordance with possible used of the funds.

C. Waterfront Planning / EIS Final Update

Ben reported on the process of the waterfront and the final EIS from the city. He noted that even though it has been stated that it will only take place over a couple months it could possibly affect the Market for over two years, which includes demolition and the development of new street uses. Ben noted that a thorough reply is needed to ensure the Market's concerns are heard and documented. Ben discussed the Waterfront and stated that there will be a recap of the waterfront presentation given in June and he we will also be submitting PDA staff's recommendation on how to move forward and the guiding principles with heavy emphasis on the PC-I site and surrounding areas. Ben also noted the tremendous value that Peter Steinbrueck has brought to the Waterfront review process.

D. Food Truck/Street Vending Update

Ben discussed and reviewed the process of the City's Food Truck legislation and noted the amount of time spent working closely with Sally Clark, Sally Bagshaw, and Tom Rasmussen. He added that the city did take the Market into consideration when drafting the bill and noted the Market's charter, which included the historic guidelines and Hildt-Licata agreement. Ben discussed the process of working with the city and stated the city can't delegate to another entity to manage an area and instead the authority comes from the state, which guided the legislative process.

E. Other Issues

Ben reported on the state audit and stated it is going very well and is currently about 50% complete, but should be completed within two weeks.

Ben commented on the Farmers and stated that the last couple weeks have been very challenging with the weather, but overall the satellite markets have been doing well. He added that the weather has been an influence on harvests and productivity, but the farmers at the satellite markets are still doing better overall than the prior years.

IV. Other Reports and Action Items

Bruce discussed the STRAP committee and stated they are in the process identifying upcoming projects. He added that there are a approximately 15 major/minor issues that need to be addressed which will guide the committee and coordinate a distinct process moving forward. Bruce stated that the committee has taken addressed numerous issues and will be submitting their findings to Council over the next couple months. Bruce also discussed the ED performance review process.

V. Items for the Consent Agenda

None.

VI. Public Comment

VII. Concerns of Committee Members

Gloria and Pat discussed the constituency meeting voting and 1st and Pine building

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m. by Jim Savitt, Chair.

Meeting minutes submitted by:
Ryan Yale, Executive Assistant