



# Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 17, 2015  
4:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.  
Goodwin Library

**Committee Members Present:** Matt Hanna, Gloria Skouge, Betty Halfon, David Ghoddousi

**Other Council Members Present:**

**Staff Present:** Ben Franz-Knight, Dianna Goodsell, Tamra Nisly

**Others Present:** Howard Aller

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by Matt Hanna, Chair.

## I. Administration

- A. Approval of the Agenda  
The agenda was approved by Acclamation
- B. Approval of the Executive Committee June 17, 2015 Meeting Minutes.  
The minutes were approved by Acclamation

## II. Announcements and Community Comments

None

## III. Council Chair's Report

Matt Hanna reported that he would not be available to attend the July 30<sup>th</sup> PDA Council meeting; Patrick Kerr, Vice-Chair of the PDA Council would be available to conduct the meeting in Matt's absence.

- A. Pike Place Market Executive Director Review Policy  
Matt Hanna briefly reported on the Executive Director Review Policy. He said that the Pike Place Market PDA Executive Director Review Policy document would be held in the records by Gerry Johnson and his firm. Previous ED Review records would also be contained with Gerry.

Matt Hanna said in lieu of his monthly Chair Report, he would like to review the proposed resolutions that are being presented at full council.

Ben Franz-Knight briefly discussed the pending resolutions for the July 30<sup>th</sup> Full Council meeting including Proposed Resolutions: **15-45:** Authorization for New Bank Accounts - US Bank Corporate Trust, **15-48:** Pike Place Market Transit Incentive Plan, **15-49:** Authorization for Contract Authority - Connect Stewart House Fire System to Soames-

Dunn Fire System, **15-50**: Authorization for Contract Authority – Engineer the Addition of Two ClimaCool Heat Pumps, **15-52**: Authorization for Contract Authority - Restore Economy 1st Avenue and Post Alley Windows and **15-51**: Lease Proposals - July 2015.

Ben noted that the windows project funded by levy dollars did not go over budget. Hopefully by August, there would be a full update on the levy projects. He separately mentioned about an idea of a composting machine at the Market; this could save the PDA money since we would not have to send the compost out for pickup. He said that we would receive a grant from Seattle Public Utilities for the data collected from the composting machine. As of now, we would need to figure out where the composting tanks would be located.

Matt Hanna asked about the status of the removal of the odors near the preschool.

Ben Franz-Knight said he had anticipated odor ventilation work to start in the next month.

David Ghoddousi mentioned that the bike racks were changed in position on Pike Street.

Ben Franz-Knight had responded to David noting that the MHC had requested to reorient the bike racks.

#### **IV. Committee Chair's Report**

##### **A. MarketFront**

The MarketFront Committee did not meet in July. Rico said that he would be regularly participating in monthly meetings with Justine Kim regarding change order reports for the MarketFront construction. He separately noted that his Architecture firm, DLR Group, would be hosting a Waterfront Symposium as part of the Seattle Design Festival on September 17<sup>th</sup>. He said that Ben would be a guest speaker at the Waterfront Symposium event discussing the MarketFront and potential improvements to the Pike St. Hillclimb.

Rico Quirindongo briefly spoke about an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Seattle Waterfront; he was interested to see if a few Council members could review the EIS.

Ben Franz-Knight said that he had reviewed the complete EIS and has the Executive Summary and full report available on disk.

Betty Halfon mentioned that there was a vote on the ballet for a park on the viaduct, including plans of closing a portion of the viaduct.

##### **B. Finance & Asset Management**

The Finance & Asset Management Committee did not meet in July.

Due to the recent cancelation of the Finance & Asset Management Committee, the Committee briefly spoke of polices regarding proper notification of absence from

Committee members. A Committee member would need to inform the appropriate Committee Chair and/or staff at least 24 hours' in advance of a meeting of their absence when possible.

Betty Halfon commented on her thoughts with the Holiday and Marketing campaign and wanting to have a refreshed campaign.

**C. Market Programs**

Betty Halfon presented a brief Market Programs report for the July. She reported that the Committee reviewed the Holiday Campaign Messaging Priorities. She said that Scott Davies had presented on the Education Program: 2014/15 Year in Review as well.

**V. Reports and Actions Items**

None

**VI. Executive Director's Report**

Ben Franz-Knight presented the Executive Director's Report for the month of July 2015. He reported on a resolution that would be coming to the Full Council regarding a transit incentive plan to help support Market employees and businesses. He noted that Parking has been a subject for debate recently. He added that he has personally responded to all the folks who had questions and/or concerns regarding recent parking changes. He said that while folks who have shared their displeasure with the current parking changes do understand the reasons for the changes. He said that the Constituency had met the prior evening which included a large discussion surrounding parking. He added that the Constituency approved a motion to approve the proposed transit subsidy.

David Ghoddousi voiced his concerns regarding parking noting that this issue could have been avoided.

**VII. Public Comment**

None

**VIII. Concerns of Committee Members**

David Ghoddousi brought several photos on the traffic and line management in the Market specifically mentioning his concern with the line management for Starbucks.

Ben Franz-Knight briefly talked about the challenges with the line management policy with the Committee.

Betty Halfon commented on her difficulty in navigating through the area around Pike Place Fish; she noted that it has been terrible the last three times she had visited the Market.

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm by Matt Hanna, Chair

Meeting minutes submitted by:  
Dianna Goodsell, Executive Administrator