



Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority (PDA)

CAPITAL RENOVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 7th, 2008
4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
PDA Conference Room

Committee Members Present: Bruce Lorig, Bruce Burger, David Ghoddousi, Patrick Kerr, Jim Savitt, Gerry Kumata

Other Council Members Present:

Staff Present: Tamra Nisly, Carol Binder, Terry Plumb

Others Present: Duncan Thieme, Royce Bixby, Laila Kinnunen, Sharon Mukai, Sue Beller, Rich Cardwell, Val Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Bruce Lorig.

I. Administration

- A. Approval of Agenda.
The agenda was approved
- B. Approval of December 17th, 2008 Minutes
Bruce moved and Patrick seconded.
The minutes were approved unanimously.
- C. Announcements and Community Comments
Sharon asked if she could make her community comments at the end of the meeting.

II. Staff Reports

- A. Schematic Design Report
Carol reported that the Schematic Design Report from SRG has been distributed to Council along with an executive summary and that as Council voted to adopt the summary the committee needs to think about that process and put together a schedule for this process. These plans were separated into Phases with the Hillclimb as the first Phase. The second phase would be the buildings with mechanical and structural work. The third phase would be the Economy Market and fourth would be the Soames Dunn. The hope was to get the most critical work completed first and as we move further in investigation this logic needs to be the foundation. Bruce said that when the schematic design is complete then they can work on design development. There is a discussion of how the money from the levy will be distributed and if financing will need to happen.

Jim Savitt joined at 4:36 p.m.

Bruce said they should address the financial implications of plans. Carol responded that this should be done in meetings without the design people and the committee could discuss it later.

B. Public Meetings and Process

Carol submitted that they need to develop a process to relay to the committee how the public information meetings are going and relay the feedback. Burger asked if there could be an email sent following these meetings to which Carol responded yes, this could be done but they still need to set aside time in the committee to discuss this and present it to Full Council. This could be added to the agenda "communications review and public update." Jim stated that there need better agendas so that people know what will be addressed in each meeting. The next public meeting will be January 23rd. It was determined that at next Monday's committee meeting the communications plan should be presented. Carol also stated that she would like to update the committee as to the discussions with the City.

III. Committee Operation

A. Discussion of Architectural Improvements

Bruce Lorig passed out his draft of what he thinks needs to be communicated. Bruce Burger asked for clarification regarding the document. Lorig said this has not gone through the Council or the committee. Burger commented that this should probably not be called Proposed Changes. Carol noted that all of these proposals are in SRG's schematic design packet. Patrick said he did not agree with this list. Bruce replied that the task was to work to make this list complete. Patrick asserted that he wanted the names taken out for the time being and that he agreed with Carol that the committee should only be addressing the Hillclimb and the first priorities. There is discussion regarding how to proceed with the plans for the Hillclimb elevator. Patrick said they already have two good concepts and Lorig stated that they need to see the financial projections before they decide if they are doing this first. Duncan said that the Committee could say that they resolve to put an elevator in the Economy Building but that they have not finalized more than that. Burger asked Patrick what he would like to see. He said he would like to see the plans move ahead and not continue to discuss things that are not going to be done for eight years. After further discussion, it was determined that the committee should meet to discuss how to proceed without the design people and that a meeting would be noticed accordingly.

B. Potential Schematic Design for Pike Place

Duncan passed out revised schematic design plans for Pike Place featuring a proposal for the full length of the Market and reviewed the drawings. The plans included removal of some parking spaces and the recycling bins along the west side of Pike Place. There were also proposals for adding a curb bulb at the elbow of Pike Place for pedestrian crossing as this is a point of difficult congestion and a rolled curb that delivery trucks could pull up on in morning. The recycling loading dock would need to be moved to Western as previously discussed. Bollards could be used in place of the curb and sidewalk. The objective was to elevate crowding in the arcade. Val commented that installing a sidewalk would affect the principle of cars and people co-mingling. Gerry said that with a curved sidewalk flexibility is lost with street closures. Lorig noted that angle parking could be brought back in winter when it isn't busy. The designs included lighting which would activate the Market much more during evening hours and could be incorporated under the awnings. There is discussion as to whether the stalls, awnings, and lights should be temporary or permanent. Carol added that everything being discussed will add operational costs. After further discussion regarding the installation of a sidewalk Rich noted that the scale of the street may be historic and therefore need to be addressed by the Historic Commission. General consensus seemed to move toward looking at options other than a sidewalk, and Duncan will bring back new concepts without it and with the shelters more temporary in nature.

III. Concerns of Council Members

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. by Bruce Lorig.