

Riverfront Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2014, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Location:

Currents Aquatic Center
600 Cregg Lane
Missoula, MT 59801

Attending: Suzette Dussault, Caleb Kasper, Gwen Hoppe, Jonathan Qualben, Mary LaPorte, Jane Kelly

Guests: Emily Bentley, 3rd Ward Council Member, Loran Frazier, WGM Group

Discussion: Russell Street Discussion at January 21 General Meeting

Loran Frazier, WGM Group, provided an overview of the timeline, decision process, and plans to date for the Russell Street Redevelopment. Discussion items included:

- There are 3 phases to the project: 1.) Broadway to Idaho, including the bridge;
- 2.) Idaho to 3rd Street; 3.) 3rd Street to Mount.

The primary focus currently is phase 1 - this will need to be clarified at the General Meeting.

- There has been much input to date. Loran shared a visual displaying a raised bike lane, vehicle travel lanes, planting area, and sidewalks. This diagram represents some consensus from public input, including the Bike/Ped

Advisory Committee.

- The Leadership Team asked questions and discussed specifics of the design, including:
 - Traffic calming
 - Vehicle lane width
 - surface areas
 - posted speed limits
 - turning radius for large trucks
 - Hawk signals, crosswalks, particularly in relation to Milwaukee Trail crossings
 - Medians

Loran stated that the Technical Design Committee, which will be meeting on January 23, will be interested and receptive to recommendations from the Riverfront Neighborhood Council. Recommendations should be clear, represent the neighborhood, and be concise.

Development of Leadership Team Recommendations

In order to facilitate discussion at the General Meeting the Leadership Team developed recommendations as follows:

- Design Speed: 35 mph
- Rollable Truck Apron to conform to tight turning radius

- 6 ft. Bike lanes, 11 ft sidewalks
- Mountable Curbs
- Narrow vehicle lanes - 10 ft.
- Narrow Pedestrian Distance - bulbouts on cross streets
- Busses stop in lanes if possible
- Bike Lane constructed of different material than sidewalks
- Milwaukee Trail: grade separated, Hawk Signal

These recommendations will be placed on a large sheet and we will seek discussion on each element at the General Meeting, and capture consensus as well as comments on a white board.

Review/Approve Agenda for January 21 RNC General Meeting

It was determined that we will need to focus the meeting primarily on Russell Street. Loran will begin with a short (10 minute) presentation, and we will present LT recommendations. Updates on the mural project and 5th/6th Street will be provided. ByLaws revision was tabled. An agenda will be posted this week.

Logistics for the Meeting were agreed upon:

Marketing: Sandwich Boards: Gwen (3rd St.), Mary (Orange Street Food Farm), Caleb (TBD, or location of his choice)
Postcards sent to all residents week of 1.13 (Mary)

Sign in: Suzette

Minutes: Suzette

Moderator: Jonathan

Discussion leader re: Recommendations: Caleb

Food & Beverage: Mary

Meeting Adjourned, 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mary LaPorte

Note: By Laws Revision

Finalize logistics for general meeting

Marketing: Sandwich Boards (Caleb, Mary, Gwen)

Email

Postcard Mailing?

Sign-in: Suzette

Minutes: Suzette

Moderator:

Pizza: Mary

2014 Planning

General Meetings : 2/3 per year

Interest/Availability for set LT meeting, monthly or bi-monthly

Development of Neighborhood E-Mailing List