

Parsons, Susan

From: Parsons, Susan
Sent: Wednesday, December 19, 2012 4:45 PM
To: 'David Hollenshead'
Subject: RE: PDX Council Meeting Questions

Dear David,

I'm confirming your request to speak under the Communications section at the Council meeting on January 2nd at 2:00 pm.

Here is further information for you on the Communications portion of the agenda:

- You will have three minutes to address the Council and may also submit written material (please provide seven copies).
- On January 2nd, the meeting will begin at **2:00 PM** and Communications are the first item on the agenda.
- Please note communications allow the Council to hear issues that interest our citizens, but do not allow an opportunity for dialogue. Council will likely ask you to speak to a staff member after your presentation--they will give you the name at the meeting.
- The Council meeting takes place at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Ave., 2nd Floor, Council Chambers.

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From: David Hollenshead [mailto:davidhollenshead@fastmail.fm]
Sent: Wednesday, December 19, 2012 4:32 PM
To: Parsons, Susan
Subject: PDX Council Meeting Questions

Dear Susan Parsons,

I have attached the questions that I wish to ask council, time permitted.
Thanks for your times

David Hollenshead

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Submitted by David Hollenshead for Communications 1/2/2013

Regarding the dangerous and illegal drainage, from the non-permitted, non-conforming driveway for 239 SW Whitaker St. which is owned by Portland Parks, and which is currently using SW Trail One as a drainage ditch, for approximately 6 to 8 city lots of storm water runoff. And which is in a landslide hazard zone, and apparently violates all three principles of the state drainage doctrine.

Proposed questions for the city of Portland Council Meeting:

1. Do you realize that I first reported this dangerous and destructive situation to the Bureau of Developmental Services in January of 2006, and that their position has always been that, I need to sue the city of Portland Parks to stop the city from causing a erosion and earth-movement damage?
2. Do you understand that I, like most homeowners with a chronic medical condition, simply can not afford to fund a \$150,000 to \$250,000 civil suit limited by the \$50,000 pre 2009 tort limit?
3. If Parks can ask BDS to inspect it's property in order to evict the occupied protesters, then why can't it do the so to address the recent apparent illegal construction projects in Terwilliger Park?
4. May I please replace the historical drainage system on city property in the Whitaker St Right of Way that protected the hillside from 1934 to 2005, before this situation totals my property and bankrupts me?
5. May I please at least move or remove the dirt, construction materials and yard waste that have been dumped in the Whitaker St Right of Way and which diverts the illegal drainage towards my home?
6. May I please re-anchor the concrete steps of SW Trail One in the Whitaker St. Right of Way that caused a recent injury, and have been loosened by said illegal drainage?
7. Why is the city promoting SW Trail One as part of the SW Pedestrian corridor, and involved in making very hazardous at the same time?
8. Would just ,one of you be willing to meet me on site and see the damage that has been apparently caused by the city of Portland Parks negligence, and owners of 239 SW Whitaker St. intent (Kenneth Griffith is a Washington licensed home inspector # 0515)?
9. Do you understand how:
the city of Portland declaring that "all property disputes are a civil matter",
the high legal cost, court delays, and difficulty in enforcing a judgement,
can be used to force your neighbor to pay for your repairs, in order to save their home from your illegal drainage or other hazardous condition?
10. Do you understand that there is no major legal difference between
if you don't pay me \$30,000 I will run your house over with a bull dozer,
and if you don't pay me \$30,000 I will let that (my) retaining wall fall on your house?
11. Do you care if the owners of 239 SW Whitaker St.'s
new sewer (2006-131499-000-00-NU, 2007-124434-000-00-UC, 2007-124438-000-00-PT),
connecting the house and gutters (2006-101051-000-00-HS) to said new sewer,
and retaining wall repair (2009-112812-000-00-DB),
appear to be acts of theft by extortion of about \$56,000 from their neighbors?

Request of David Hollenshead to address Council regarding dangerous and illegal
drainage from non-permitted, non-conforming driveway owned by Portland Parks
(Communication)

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