

### Subject: Request to the Portland City Council to add pedestrian scale streetlight funding to PBOT's 60th Avenue sidewalk replacement budget, November 14, 2018

Dear Mayor Wheeler and City Commissioners,

Late last year the Rose City Park Neighborhood Association, through Central Northeast Neighbors, applied for a place-making In the Streets Grant to install two pedestrian scale street lamps at the intersection of NE 60th Avenue and Halsey Street. Planning was already underway by PBOT to pull together funding associated with the Growing Transit Communities program for new sidewalks, replacing the three to four foot wide sidewalks, on Northeast 60th Avenue between Halsey Street and the Max Station.

The grant, which was not awarded, was to be a demonstration project with goal of adding pedestrian scale streetlights at all the intersections between Halsey and Max station at the same time the sidewalks are replaced. Since then, full funding has been found for the new sidewalks. PBOT advised me that if the project came in under budget, some lighting could be included.

I am told by experts the new LED street lights PBOT has installed city-wide deliver the same amount of light as the older sodium vapor lighting. It may be the color or the fact that it is cut off lighting, but it is far more difficult to see pedestrians crossing streets with the new lighting.

The majority of the area around the 60th Avenue Max Station is currently built up with mostly modest single family residences. The entire area has been up zoned for higher densities. A number streets of do not have sidewalks. Within the past year, two of the commercial properties at 60th and Halsey have been sold to a developer. The Rose City Park Neighborhood Association has maintained that infrastructure needs to be in place before any new development occurs. 60th Avenue should be a street with the amenities that says it goes somewhere and safely connects people with places.

The Rose City Park Neighborhood is and always has been from the time it was platted in 1907, a working class neighborhood where families have called home for much of their lives. I have lived in the neighborhood for over 60 years. My neighbor to the South has lived in the neighborhood just under 60 years with others on the street living in their homes for 30 years or more. This type of long term investment is what makes a stable and livable neighborhood. We pay our share of taxes, but like the grant dollars, much of the money goes elsewhere.

I have been told by PBOT that Prosper Portland has changed their mission and no longer offers placemaking grants. The need for those types of grants still exists. What I am asking for today is to add \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00 to the 60th Avenue sidewalk budget for the purpose of adding pedestrian scale street lights, if necessary, from General Fund dollars which is supported by property taxes. Although the lighting is not mode specific, think Vision Zero and a street that attracts people walking, especially to and from Max. It simply makes sense to add the pedestrian scale street lights when the new sidewalks are constructed so some of the costs can be shared.

Respectively submitted,

Terry Parker Rose City Park Neighborhood Association Board Member



## **NE 60th Avenue Lighted Gateway to MAX**



\* Proposed Pedestrian Scale Light Standard Locations (approximate with full build out of 24)

## NE 60th and Halsey





#### Layden, Dan <Dan.Layden@portlandoregon.gov>

Aug 16 (1 day ago)

to Matt, me

Terry, \$10,000 is the rule of thumb number we use for estimating street lights, however that number is a very preliminary number as many factors go into the cost of street lights. Thanks, Dan

Dan Layden Capital Program Manager dan.layden@portlandoregon.gov (503) 823-2804

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Subject: RE: Portland in the Streets Grant



August 18, 2017

Portland in the Streets Community Grant Program - PBOT 1120 SW 5th Ave. # 800 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Portland in the Streets Community Grant Program manager,

I am writing to express TriMet's enthusiastic support for the NE 60th Avenue Lighted Gateway to MAX project. We believe a grant awarded to Rose City Park Neighborhood Association/Central Northeast Neighbors to install two pedestrian scale street lamps at NE 60th Ave. and Halsey St. is not only warranted, but a very good use of grant resources.

The lighting project will support Vision Zero by making the street safer, and create a lighted gateway for the neighborhood to access the NE 60th Ave MAX Station. The project will also build needed infrastructure and encourage future development.

A lighted gateway will help enhance neighborhood character, encourage pedestrian and bicycle activity, and make connecting to transit easier and safer. The Rose City Park Neighborhood Association/Central Northeast Neighborhood has the dedication and skills to successfully manage this project.

Thank you for considering the Rose City Park Neighborhood Association/Central Northeast Neighbors' grant application for the improved lighting project. We appreciate your support to build safer, more livable communities.

Sincerely,

Steve Witter Executive Director, TriMet Capital Projects & Construction

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#### PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION REQUEST Wednesday Council Meeting 9:30 AM

Council Meeting Date: November 14,2018
Today's Date October 1,2018
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Reason for the request: NE COM AV STREET LIGHTING
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(signed)

- Give your request in writing to the Council Clerk's office to schedule a date for your Communication. Use this form or email the information to the Council Clerk at the email address below.
- You will be placed on the Wednesday official Council Agenda as a "Communication." Communications are the first item on the Agenda and are taken at 9:30 a.m. A total of five Communications may be scheduled. Individuals must schedule their own Communication.
- You will have 3 minutes to speak and may also submit written testimony before or at the meeting. Communications allow the Council to hear issues that interest our citizens, but do not allow an opportunity for dialogue.

Thank you for being an active participant in your City government.

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# Request of Terry Parker to address Council regarding NE 60<sup>th</sup> Ave St lighting (Communication)

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