**Buckman Community Association September 12, 2013**

Attendance: see sign-in sheet

**Board Meeting 6:00pm**

1. Approval of Agenda, presented jointly by co-chairs Susan L. & Greg M.
   1. Approved unanimously
2. SEUL filings
   1. Minutes for July are complete were not brought in print, will revisit in October
   2. Susan L will address missing agendas
   3. Tim A will investigate other missing filings
3. Model ground rules from SEUL
   1. Discussion around adopting SEUL’s model rules as written
   2. Motion to spend funds to acquire a visual aid with rules for our meetings presented by Susan L
      1. Seconded by Jim F.
      2. Unanimously approved
      3. Jim F. will take care of design, order, and purchasing with reimbursement from BCA funds for production costs
4. Comprehensive plan forum, scheduled for November meeting, 11/14
5. Fall newsletter
   1. Print date 10/28
   2. Articles
      1. Comp plan forum
      2. Washington High School update (Susan)
      3. Colonel Summers Park update (Parks staff)
      4. E. Burnside Safety corridor and 20s bikeway (Greg)
      5. Traffic circle planting news (Jim)
6. Consideration of request by picnic coordinator Jamie Vann to borrow BCA-owned tables for non-BCA charity event
   1. Tim motions
   2. Lauren seconds
   3. Unanimous approval
7. Gift for Jamie Vann regarding her services in arranging the picnic
   1. Nostrana gift certificate for $75 and thank you card
   2. Adam motions
   3. Jim seconds
   4. Unanimous approval
   5. Lauren will make all arrangements and be reimbursed from BCA funds
8. SEUL Update from from Jim
   1. Must research missing meeting minutes
   2. $8,000,000 Parks budget surplus that can only be used for new construction or acquisitions
   3. Splashpad for Col Summers Park is a viable partial expenditure for these funds, per Parks Bureau staff in attendance
      1. Using designs for existing splashpads in other city parks will substantially reduce costs
      2. Estimated $125,000 rough budget
      3. Motion to write a letter to Parks Commissioner Fritz officially requesting $150,000 for a splashpad in Col. Summers Park by Lauren
         1. Second by Jim
         2. Unanimous approval
         3. Susan will prepare letter and make contact with relevant parties
   4. SEUL is beginning a new parks committee
      1. Susan volunteers as BCA rep
      2. Lauren motions, Tim seconds, unanimous approval of Susan being official BCA rep
   5. Communications funds procedures have changed this year, funds will be issued only on proof of full expenditure of previous year’s funds and will only be issued as reimbursements
9. Treasurer report
   1. Expenses $1500, 60% newsletter, 40% food
   2. Annual communication fund report has been filed
   3. Annual report to state DOJ will be filed 9/13
10. Board adjourns 7:02

**Public Meeting 7:10pm**

1. Introductions
2. Police report by Officer Fox
   1. 18 car prowls for August, unusually low number
   2. Car thefts are also unusually low
   3. Tire slashing on large vehicles has been occurring in the general area, mostly in the immediately surrounding neighborhoods
   4. Our Neighborhood Response Team (NeRT) Officer is Christopher Gjovik
      1. His responsibilities include only long-term and livability issues, not generally arrests
      2. Contact at [christopher.gjovik@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:christopher.gjovik@portlandoregon.gov)
   5. Two rapes in August, one is misidentified and is actually the location of the report, not the crime. Further details cannot be provided
3. Announcements
   1. Picnic had 400-500 people, all food except watermelons ran out, 48 watermelons was too much
   2. Public announcement of splash pad project approved at board meeting (see above)
   3. Lee Perlman memorial to occur following weekend (Susan)
   4. East Burnside Safety Corridor (Greg)
      1. Traffic improvements slated for section from SE 14th to SE 32nd
      2. Area has double the average city crash rate
      3. City is proposing various options with public meeting upcoming
      4. Greg volunteers as official representative
         1. Tim moves, Lauren seconds, unanimous board approval
   5. Call for newsletter volunteers
   6. Traffic circle planting parties upcoming.
   7. 20s bikeway project
      1. Fully funded at $2.5M
      2. Stretch from Lombard to unspecified endpoint in Eastmoreland
      3. Route will meander from 24th to 30th through Buckman, but may vary and is not yet settled
      4. Greg volunteers as official representative
         1. Susan moves, Julie seconds, unanimous board approval
4. Streetcar Discussion with staff person Kay Dannen
   1. Music Fest will occur again on 10/12, only on the CL line (the line that passes through Buckman)
   2. Mobile ticketing apps for smartphones are live for both Trimet and streetcar
   3. New bridge scheduled to open 9/12/2015
   4. Fare increases will be coming, followed by public discussion of various options
5. Washington HS update by Susan
   1. Venerable (new owner) to attend BCA October meeting
   2. Purchase is complete, tenants are being lined up
   3. Plan to stage construction in the 14th & Alder parking lots, on existing paved surfaces only
   4. Will be mostly commercial, but with a few live/work studios
6. Colonel Summers Park
   1. Elizabeth Kennedy-Wong, PPR staff
      1. Pruning is complete, no more hiding places
      2. Tennis court has been painted
      3. Futsal court not in immediate consideration
      4. City does not want to gate the pavilion or have any intention of doing so
   2. Mr. Hasan, Ranger: Patrols are now daily instead of last year’s policy of a strong response only on problematic Mondays
   3. Public consensus toward moving around and/or installing new benches
   4. Vague proposal of a mural for the tennis court
7. St Francis and Franz property homeless camp (11th & 12th Avenues at Oak)
   1. John Cava, parent of nearby preschool student
      1. How can we clear the sidewalks?
   2. Buckman likely needs a “rest area” like Right 2 Dream Too.