

Admiral Neighborhood Association  
General Meeting Notes  
Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Attendance:

\* 15 were in attendance. See attendance sheet.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Secretary's report:

· April 12, 2011 meeting minutes were reviewed, corrected and approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report:

· We spent about \$400 for stickers.

SWDC:

- Update from 5/4/11 meeting provided by our Representative Sylvia Rolle.
  - Discussion of Triangle development. The City is going too fast. They're not taking into account the stakeholders.
  - West Seattle in Motion reports that the informational kiosks are going up.
  - West Seattle Cool Moms spoke on alternative ways to get to school: "Think Outside the Car".
  - The neighborhood maps will be ready for Summerfest. Information on SWDC and Delridge will be included.

Katy announced that ANA will have a table at Summerfest Saturday, 7-9 from 2-4 and Sunday, 7-10 from 12-2. Volunteers to staff the table are welcome.

City Council candidate Michael Taylor-Judd spoke. He is running for Council position 1, currently held by Jean Godden.

- He has been involved in local politics and services since 1998.
- He thinks mandatory employer-provided sick leave is a great idea, but wants to tread lightly on implementation.
- For the budget, he isn't sure what he would cut.
- He feels that the talent pool could be shared across city departments.
- In order to increase revenue, we can grow the pie. He is thinking of a local option sales tax on gasoline sales. He feels that the B&O tax is hard on small business.
- He feels we need to protect the industrial lands in the Sodo area.
- Commenting on the Triangle area, he feels that if we want to protect single-family residences, we do need to build higher in places. He thinks newcomers need to be educated about what a neighborhood has, i.e. entertainment zones.
- He thinks the city does a poor job explaining road diets.
- The late council member Sam Smith said "Five makes policy". Michael said he is looking forward to working with council members Bagshaw, Clark, Harrell and Rasmussen.
- His preference in committees is Budget, Transit, Neighborhoods and Parks.
- Concerning the group Protect Seattle Now, a group advocating a surface/transit option to replace the downtown section of state highway 99, he is concerned about the cost of the deep bore tunnel and that tolling will not provide sufficient revenue.

City Council candidate Dian Ferguson spoke. She is running for Council position 9, currently held by Sally Clark.

- She has a Masters degree in Public Administration with a concentration in International Studies. She has worked in the public sector for the city and is a small-business owner.
- She feels that Seattle has turned away from kids.
- Seattle is too process-driven: nothing gets done.
  - a) The tunnel.
  - b) Police accountability: we shouldn't have the feds come in, we should have decided what we want and expect from the police.
  - c) Families and Education levy: the city needs to hold schools accountable for outcomes for the money. African-American and Native-American graduation rates have declined, despite the money that the school district is getting.
  - d) Seattle is the largest city, but is not a good regional partner. Seattle needs to be an example of how to get things done.
- It is time to move forward on the Deep Bore Tunnel. We're wasting time by not moving forward.
- There is waste in the city. There are too many strategic advisers.
- We could raise revenue by selling naming rights.
- It was suggested that departments pool talents. She feels that a lot of that is union and "I love unions."
- With regard to who she is looking forward to working with on the Council, she wants diverse viewpoints and wants some new friends. There are good candidates running.

#### Committee/Planning Reports

- Admiral Business Engagement Committee – David Whiting
  - The luncheon is scheduled for 6-14 at the Porterhouse.
- Website – Katy Walum
  - Kiran, our pro bono web designer, will have the web-site up by next meeting. The survey has been postponed a month.
- Summer Concerts – Katy Walum
  - The concert schedule was announced and an information sheet was passed out..
    - 7-28 The Gothard Sisters
    - 8-4 Massy Ferguson
    - 8-11 at Alki Beach Yogoman Burning Band
    - 8-18 LeRoy Bell and His Only Friends
    - 8-25 Caspar Babypants
    - 9-1 Star Anna & The Laughing Dogs

#### New Business/Announcements

- The Association brochure will be in the shape of a door hanger.
- The next Adopt-a-Street cleanup is June 4. Please turn out.
- The Fourth of July Kids' Parade will be the morning of Sunday, June 3. Volunteers to staff the ANA table are being solicited.
- We have Admiral window stickers for sale for \$5 each.
- Hiawatha, our Olmstead Park, is having its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September.

Next meeting is June 14, 2011 at 7 PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM