May Ex Com

Officers: Chris Scott, Russell Monroe, Nick Setten, Bob Braun, Bruce Rutledge, Jonathan Berner, Nick Setten (online) Gina Karaba, Gordie McIntyre

Members: Erik Pihl, Heather Pihl Emily Pike Bruno (online), Liz Hughes, iphone (Zek), Bob Messina, Joan Paulson

6:45 p.m. Call to order
6:46 p.m. Approval of agenda
6:47 p.m. Approval of minutes: March 28; April 25, 2024
<u>Minutes | constituency (pikeplacemarketconstituency.org)</u>
6:48 p.m. Public comment
Heather asks for a signup sheet to keep track of meeting participants

6:50 p.m. PDA Master Plan update

Russell gives a briefing on recent activities.

Joan makes a comment that PDA Charter should be followed or we enter dangerous territory in implementing the master plan.

6:55 p.m. Old business

Listening Committee

Jonathan says committee set up an online version, but didn't receive much engagement. PDA staff allowed an announcement at roll call. Hard deadline for interviews is 6/1. Then will analyze data with Graham and Janice.

Bylaws review

Article III Members Reviewed and discussed

7:05 p.m. New business
Chris introduces signup sheets and Constituency motion forms
(enter text read by Chris)
Next GA, ask Conrad Steinbrueck to talk about merchant association efforts.
Heather tells us Conrad is in the midst of change of ownership at Raven's Nest and wants to waiting
for that.

Guest speakers, Nick mentions ideas Chris says ask Devin

Chris mentions how well GA went with two topics up for discussion.

Jonathan wants to make Listening Committee report in June.

Joan says we should work on a budget. PDA office has been closed for four years and two months. It would be nice to have it open.

Nick says we want to make a clearer budget for next year. New ex director probably won't be in place by August.

Chris, budget is more about us than the PDA. We need priorities.

Russell says the PDA office being shut is a security issue.

Gina, why security now but not before Covid.

Bob B says we have a very different security problem in downtown than we did before Covid.

Heather says situation is improving in downtown.

Emily agrees with Heather, wonders why PDA staff gets extra protection. Can't we put someone forms security in the PDA office. What about my safety in the bookstore.

Chris mentions that Market Commons is open. Are they made of stronger stuff?

Gina says craft areas are safer than they used to be. Some Covid rules have outlived their usefulness.

Jonathan, feels like PDA is very accessible. I know their emails/phone numbers, can get who I need. Resents the fact that they have unilaterally decided to lock the door.

Chris, meet with new director, Devin and one of our council reps to discuss.

Russell says the receptionist is missing, making an open door difficult.

Bruno, yes locked door sends wrong message, but why do you need to go to the PDA office?

Chris mentions a crafter who had mass shooter tendencies. Nick says hold the phone!

Gina pushes back on not using cash. Cutting off people who make the Market weird and robust. Receptionist didn't take payments – someone else did. It's disenfranchising.

Candidate questionnaire discussed. Officers ask to add information on participating on subcommittees.

Nick reads through requirements on each position. Suggests people start as officer at large.

7:45 p.m. Public comment

Nick, June 3 Market Community Talent Show at Unexpected Theater. Emily and Chris will have a table. Fundraiser for Market Community Safety Net.

Chris, tomorrow is Mary's last day.

Nick, mayor declares 6/1(?) Mary Baccarella Day.

Bob M, Friends of the Market is supporting the talent show, right? (Yes)

Heather, FOM tours start next month. Affordable, trying to attract locals. Saturday mornings at 9am.

Bob B, corrects comment on security. If Emily and Gina feel OK, I think everyone should feel OK.

Gina, complaints about security that wasn't coming to Starbucks, etc. Guy waved a gun at Starbucks, a beatdown there too. We don't get notifications about those.

Nick suggests bringing up at Programs Committee.

Jonathan, last GA was fun and exciting. PDA was listening, engaging, we were learning. Moves that we send a thank you letter to PDA attendees thanking them. Bob B seconds.

Chris, one good thing after another, thanks everyone.

Acclamation

8:00 p.m. Adjourn meeting