

CONSTITUENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 25, 2024, 6:15 p.m.

Officers: Chris Scott, Bob Braun, Alex Rasmussen, Bruce Rutledge (online) Gina Karaba, Gordie McIntyre, Nick Setten

Members: Heather Pihl, Graham Marmion, Janice ????? (online) Charlotte Quinn, Emily Pike, Liz Hughes, Bob Messina, Annie Lannin, Joan Paulson, 901-401-1800, iPhone, Christine Vaughn, Jessica Shapiro, Ben Adlin

Agenda:

6:15 p.m. Call to order

6:16 p.m. Approval of agenda

6:17 p.m. Approval of minutes: March 28, 2024

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6:20 p.m. Public comment

Bob M. Heather and Annie update on Steinbrueck Park and poles

6:27 p.m. PDA Master Plan update

Nick and Gina comment

Gina talks about walking along waterfront, watching wayfinding efforts, etc.

6:40 p.m. Old business

Bob B, vigorous discussion about cars on Pike Place awhile ago and this is the same. Wrote some letters as sitting chair to tell city to keep hands off Pike Place. Debated this topic twice. Talked about the street quite a bit. We have always come down on "leave the street alone."

Gina, Market should be doing it ourselves. Seemed there was something fairly recent.

Alex, a couple of weeks ago. Discusses Kettle amendment. Mentions cafe seating issue.

Chris, we discussed it, and council has discussed it, but tonight's council meeting thought it was important.

Heather, Friends wants farmers to come back to PPM. Gives update on cafe street issues. Mentions stress between streeteries and Ballard Farmers Market. Greenways is pressing to pedestrianize Pike Place. How will PDA manage all these unused spaces. Safe Start program expires 6/30 then MHC has control. Need a study.

Jonathan, decided to bring PDA staff into our sessions. Need to talk to them so we aren't spinning our wheels.

Christine, Making a cafe street without any input from Market is troublesome. Constituency should make it clear that control of the street needs to stay with the PDA.

Chris, **We'll have a discussion next month.**

Gina talks about the high cost of insurance.

6:51 Listening Committee

Jonathan, 55 interviews.

Graham, data scientist, talked about his help with the committee and using his data science skills with the data the committee collects.

Bylaws review

Meetings Article 8

Earmarked: Section 5. Open Meetings

All meetings of the Constituency and its Committees shall be open to any Constituency member and to any member of the public and will include opportunity for public comment.

Bob M, we need to think ahead to give notice to members.

Christine, place in GA meeting for New Business. More notice you can give, the more inclusive the organization will be, but there is a place for new business and for immediate action.

Heather, being active around an issue is not something you can plan ahead for.

Bob agrees with Christine, says her approach is a good middle way.

Gordie, not stipulated in bylaws, but it is stipulated in PDA rules and regulations. The notice needs to be 10 to 30 days ahead of time and state the purpose. General, Executive, Special

Jonathan, be mindful to engage our members. Don't dismiss our members just because they are not reaching out.

Gina talks about pop-up stands where newsstand used to be. Jonathan seconds her opinion. They think it's unfair to crafters because they can sell anything.

Alex, brought it up to Councilmembers?

Nick says to talk to Mary and go into it with curiosity.

Bob says there will be 4 tables. They are doing really well.

Bruce, list is growing and clean, that's the good news. Outreach is happening.

7:30 p.m. New business

Chris, Conrad is going to build a Merchants Association, I will not make it a priority. Also, not a lot of interest on the Roundtable. Will pursue it as an individual. Will hold off until Conrad has something up and running. Wish him the best.

Elections on GA agenda

Listening committee

7:30 p.m. Public comment

Joan, SDOT's 20-year plan didn't mention bricks or stones at Market.

Joe Read passed away on Friday. Services will be in Seattle Times on May 5. Longtime Constituency member.]

7:36 p.m. Adjourn meeting