

Pearl District Neighborhood Association
Planning, Design & Transportation Committee

Minutes for March 1, 2011

Ken Aaron – Neighborhood Notes	Michael Hall – Member - PNCA	Pat Lydon – Member
David August – Member	John Hirsch – Member	Jason Naiman – Member
John Baymiller – Member	Karen Hirsch – Member	Joan Pendergast – PDNA
Hugh d’Autremont – Member	Sue Horn-Caskey – Member	Glenn Traeger – Resident
Dave Davis – PDNA	LeRae Hunt – Member/Recess in the Pearl	Ben Waldron – Neighborhood Notes
Patricia Gardner – Chair	Satoshi Ishida – PSU (Visiting Scholar)	
Bob Girsberger – Member	Bruce Levy – Member	

Minutes

- Lydon moved to approve the January 4 minutes. Hall seconded. The motion carried with 3 abstentions.

Miscellaneous

- The General Automotive building has proposed to add windows along the north side of the building which faces a surface parking lot. It was not know who owns the parking lot.
- There is a pre-application meeting on Thursday (3/3) for a ¼ block, 6-story building located at the corner 12th and Everett. GBD Architects is the applicant.

River District URA

- Gardner discussed that the budget process is moving forward. The budget includes the Centennial mill, Central Post Office, and the Fields Park projects.
- It was discussed that the timing of the budget of all of the proposed projects does exceed the projected revenue
- Post Office site – does impact budgets in the future.
- August mentioned that with the recent hiring of Patrick Quinton to be the executive director of PDC, it was unknown how it might impact or change the priorities of the River District URA. Quinton previously led the business development area for PDC.

Chase

- Gardner mentioned that she has received many emails about lighting/signs for the new Chase bank located at the corner of 12th and Lovejoy. The lit signs are located on the interior of the space, and therefore follow the signage rules (exterior signs are limited, among other things, in their size).
- Gardner will contact HSP, the landlord, to see if something could be done to mitigate the size or brightness of the signs. It was suggested that the Metropolitan Condominium Association may react or take action.
- Lydon made a motion to have Gardner act on behalf of the PDNA to promote having the signage be in keeping with the neighborhood. d’Autremont seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- Gardner will also discuss with the city to see if the interior signage rules can be changed.

Transportation

- The Committee reviewed and commented on a consolidated map of recommended transportation improvements.