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July 12, 2016 MEADOBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 7:00 pm the President, Dan Keefe, called the meeting to order. There were 15 attendees, including at least 11 voting members in attendance.

Minutes The minutes of the May 10, 2016 meeting were approved.

Road Microsurfacing Samantha Herman [ph. (206) 727-3669] from the outreach team for the SDOT microsurfacing reported a preservative substance would be applied to chip sealed roads in Meadowbrook in early August. It should extend the life of existing chip sealed roads by 7 years. Roads will be closed for 4-8 hours while work is occurring. Humans and pets should remain off the surface for at least 2 hours after the work is completed.

2035 Comprehensive Plan Ms. Pam Bowe reviewed the proposed revisions to the City plan to develop the City until 2035. A link to the 835 page Plan is on the Meadowbrook website. Lake City is the last large part of the City to face intensive development. A Hub Urban Village area zoned for greater density is centered around 125th & Lake City Way NE. She highlighted the 125 page community response to the Plan. The group has 14 specific suggestions i.e. updated neighborhood plan, assisting businesses displaced by development, a greater allocation of resources by the City to this area, a full service community center, preserving our tree canopy and Thornton Creek, impact fees on developers to benefit our area, preserving our single family housing, creating more parking spaces for cars, etc.

Zone changes The City is proposing changing the Commercial zoning adjacent to Meadowbrook all along Lake City Way NE, to NC=3, Neighborhood Commercial. The City change would prohibit parking located next to the street. She distributed a City brochure highlighting the proposed zoning changes.

The Secretary, who lives near Lake City Way NE, spoke about the negative impacts of the proposed zoning changes on the single family neighborhood. He read a proposed resolution against the proposed zoning changes. "Resolved: That the members of the Meadowbrook Community Council direct its officers to inform the City Council that the Meadowbrook neighborhood is opposed to the proposed zoning changes from C zoning to NC-3, along the east side Lake City Way NE south of NE 115th and north of 95th Street because of the negative impacts on the adjacent single family neighborhood." Upon a motion made and seconded, the proposed resolution was adopted with nine votes in favor, no votes against, and two abstentions.

Proposed Backyard Cottages Richard Anderson talked about proposed changes to the regulations to "accessory dwelling units" (ADUs) which are inside homes and "detached accessory dwelling units" (DADUs) which are outside an existing home. The City's website with more information is <http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/permits/commonprojects/motherinlawunits/default/htm>. Some of the proposed changes would allow both ADU and a DADU on the same lot. A DADU could cover 60% of the rear yard versus 40% coverage now. They would be allowed on 3200 square foot lots, versus the existing minimum requirement of 4,000 square foot lots.

Large Projects Review Ms. Wilma Boyd summarized her service on the citizens review committee for the city's Large Projects fund. Only 9 projects were submitted.

Sidewalk Committee Update The President reported our two projects were ranked #2 and #3 by the North District. With the limited amount of money, neither will be funded with the present money allocated to the North District. The North District did not vote to support any of the 3 Meadowbrook "large projects" proposals.

SDOT is putting in a crosswalk at 36th Avenue NE & NE 110th Street to connect sidewalks on opposite sides of the street. The proposed greenway from NE 105th Street south to NE 85th Street along 32nd Avenue missed a funding deadline and SDOT suggested Meadowbrook seek other funding sources.

North Precinct News We have a new Community Policing officer, Mr. Kennedy, to contact regarding police matters. Ms. Collison reported Meadowbrook has been experiencing less crime than surrounding areas. Wedgewood has much more crime.

Yes for Homes/Seattle Housing Levy Michael Maddux spoke about the proposed Proposition 1 levy which would last 7 years to fund affordable housing in Seattle. The city has produced over 12,000 units of affordable housing in the last 30 years from past levies. 65% of residents who left affordable housing are living in a self sustained living unit. The median assessed property owner of \$480,000 would pay \$122/year under the proposed levy, twice the existing annual levy of \$61, which ends at the end of this calendar year. The most recent levy produced over 400 additional affordable housing units beyond what was promised in the last levy. It will be voted in the November election. Their website is www.yesforhomes.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary