

Meeting is called to order at 7:05 pm by Ken Peterson, JCS chair and Land Use board member. Other board members were introduced and included Ron Laster, Chris Hyde, Geoff Hyde, Alice Gray Gregory and Brian Cefola. Also in attendance were members of the JCS committee including Patrick Gillen, Steve Lemon, Lily Lemon, and Cliff Gibbs. Guest speaker for this meeting was Eric Hildebrand from the OLCC. Ms. Linda Peterson also arrived late to the meeting but did participate.

The agenda was approved with one modification that added Mr. Hildebrand from the OLCC to discuss the JCS liquor license approval process. Agenda was moved to be approved, seconded and unanimously approved.

The minutes from two previous JCS special meetings were approved. Minutes from the June 29th, 2012 meeting were approved are presented. Minutes from the August 1st, 2012 meeting with a few modifications that were read to the group were also approved.

Jackson Convenience Store (JCS) update: The final building permit has been approved by the City of Portland (CPDX) and Ken had the blue prints available for review for the group. There was one delay with regard to this permit that had to do with the width of one of the new drive ways. Ken went on to mention that Kathy Couch from ONI mentioned that the comment period had expired on 9/1/12 and that the CPDX has sent a "Neutral recommendation" to the OLCC in regards to the liquor license. The CPDX would send a denial if there were several complaints of criminal activity, a high crime rate or increased violent crimes reported to the police. High crimes include littering, graffiti, trespassing etc. Grant Park has only about 16 crime incidence reported in the general vicinity of the new JCS. The citizens can log incidents and send this info to the OLCC and or call the police with each incidence of criminal activity.

There are three degrees of recommendations that go to the OLCC which are (1) favorable, (2) neutral and (3) denial. Currently the CPDX has sent the OLCC a "neutral or no recommendation" which is neither in favor of nor not in favor of the issuance of a license. Public comments are taken into account as are letters from Neighborhood Associations. Enough complaints or concerns can flag the application and the next action would be for the issue to go to the full contingent of the City Commissioners for a full public discussion. GPNA would get some advanced notice if a full commission process were to proceed. The OLCC will check with ONI to get all of the letters for or against the new JCS. The OLCC also has an online complaints form or will take phone calls from the public. Mr. Hildebrand was unsure when this item will come for full review but figures that the October meeting would be too soon and most likely would be available for the December commission meeting.

Eric will email Ken Peterson the street drinking restrictions information. He also referred to the OAR 845-005-0326 which stipulates several standards and areas of avoidance for alcohol sales. This rule is also available on line for review. The OLCC cannot identify specific alcoholic beverages to restrict, although the % alcohol of product content can be specified.

Ken read the email letter from Amanda Fritz one of the City Commissioners.

The Good Neighbor agreement (GNA) was then read by the committee members. Ron recommended that Ken continue to communicate with Andrea Jacksons regarding the continued negotiations with the alcohol issues of the GNA between GPNA and JCS. There are risks associated with ongoing negotiations: (1) possible success with the OLCC and city commissioners for the GPNA/JCS liquor license restrictions or (2) no further negotiations with JCS.

Ron Laster made a motion: he made the request that Ken Peterson continue the negotiation process with JCS as the chair of the GPNA/JCS committee bringing forth a GNA with JCS. This motion was seconded and voted on. The voting results were 5 in favor, 3 against and one abstention, therefore the motion passes.

It was also agreed upon that rather than try and coordinate another meeting that email voting/correspondence is acceptable to facilitate the process. The grace period for voting will be 5 days from the date the latest GNA is posted via email to the GPNA/JCS subcommittee.

Ron brought forth another motion: that in the event that the GNA between GPNA and JCS is reached, the letter sent to the OLCC for the recommendation to deny a liquor license at the JCS at 1715 NE 33rd Ave would be rescinded immediately. Votes were tallied as follows: 6 in favor, 1 opposed and 2 abstentions. Therefore the motion is approved.

Meeting is adjourned at 9:05 pm

Minutes submitted by Mary Cal Hanson