

SWHRL YEAR IN REVIEW 2014-15

Meetings/Forums

- August picnic - Tom Mills / TriMet at SWHRL Board meeting and Picnic – future of Bus #51, #39, expanded service; booths for Emergency Preparedness (NET) and Backyard Habitat Certification Program
- October 2014 – Discussed TriMet plans for expanded service in SW; draft Portland Comprehensive Plan with City Planner re. proposed zoning changes for SW Hills; Ballot Measures
- January 21, 2015 – SWHRL Neighborhood History/Storytelling with writers, history buffs Michael Munk and Jim Thayer
Michael Munk Council Crest History available by email on request to: swhrl@swni.org

Board Members

- New Board talent for 2014-15:
Jim Breithaupt – SWHRL Historian
Karen Healey – Newsletter
Grace Jeffreys – Land Use
Kara Stone – Keeping us informed on schools
Sean Baioni - Transportation
- Ongoing Board members
Kelly Reece-strengthened financial procedures
Lee Doss – events
Gloria Reich
- SWHRL Rep to SWNI Board: Nancy Seton

Bylaws Revision Overview – New ONI Template

- Revisions a work in progress: Bylaws to be streamlined in accord with ONI Template, and some details will be moved to our Procedures document
- Draft will be posted on webpage, voted on at two consecutive Membership meetings

Land Use (See SWHRL website and newsletter for mention of key land use issues)

- Met with Strohecker neighbors concerned about survival of market
- Short term rentals – Council Crest response letter & hearing
- Land use responses – 3300 SW Fairmount
- Comp Plan – publicized in newsletters re. feedback to City; discussion at October Forum
- Demolitions – received 2 notices

Transportation

- Tom Mills / TriMet at SWHRL Board meeting and Picnic – future of Bus #51, #39
- Alerted neighbors to TriMet survey & Comp Plan – opportunity to express our needs

- Joint letter with other SW neighborhoods, SW Trails, & Friends of Marquam to ask City for one time funding to make 4 Southwest Portland streets safer for walkers and cyclists. Improvements would be: an extended shoulder / climbing bike lane on Dosch, and Marquam Hill Road, and an uninterrupted extended shoulder on SW Hamilton, and SW Stevenson Street.
- Hosted rep from SWTrails at Board meeting: they're willing to help us with trails we need added/improved. Suggestions? We've advocated for connection Humphrey-Green Hills or Hewitt to get walkers/cyclists off dangerous Humphrey.

Communications: Newsletters / Website

- SWHRL Viewpoints – published hard copy, E-news & bulletins
- Contributed SWHRL news to monthly SWNI newsletter
- Expanded/maintained SWHRL webpage hosted on www.swni.org/swhrl

Activities/Projects

- SWHRL Restoration Project at Vista & Spring
- Neighborhood Film night
- Testimony to Metro on proposed Wildwood Bridge
- SWHRL Board support letter for upgrade to Washington Park reservoirs

Other

Tree Code Implementation Advisory Committee / New Portland Tree Code, Title 11

<http://www.portlandoregon.gov/trees/>

Council Crest Park after-hours barrier at Greenway/Council Crest Dr. – Jeff Wihtol & neighbors