

Neighborhood Leadership Alliance
February 9, 2021

The meeting of the Neighborhood Leadership Alliance was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, online and by phone.

- 1. Roll Call:** Hans Jorgensen (Chair), Lisa Mushel (Vice-Chair), Karen Bergsvik, Jim Christo, Chris Friess, Cassie Giddings, Dave Johnson, Shawn McFadden, Steve Pine, Elizabeth Rhodes, Kathy Roche, Summer Sears

Absent: Summer Sears

Member Jorgensen welcomed Shawn McFadden the new Summit West Neighborhood Leadership Alliance representative.

Member Jorgensen announced the resignation of Larkspur Representative Peter Holter.

2. Approve Minutes

Member Johnson moved to approve the January 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Member Mushel seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously (11-0).

3. Public Comments (10 minutes)

No public comment.

4. Advancing Strategies to End Homelessness in Bend

Colleen Thomas, Deschutes County Homeless Coordinator, Eliza Wilson, JBarJ Services, and Lindsey Stailing, Mosaic Medical, presented the following slides on the Homeless Leadership Coalition and Advancing Strategies to End Homelessness in Bend:

- Homelessness in Central Oregon – A Client Story
- What is Homeless Leadership Coalition? – Central Oregon’s Continuum of Care
- HLC’s Governing Board
- Our Continuum of Service Providers
- % of People Experiencing Homelessness by Household Type
- 2019-2020 Warming Shelter Numbers
- 2019 Housing Inventory Count – Available Beds Reported to HUD by Participating Local Providers
- What is Coordinated Entry?
- What is Ending Homelessness
- Continuum Needs and Priorities
- How Can You Help

Carolyn Eagan, Economic Development Director, Providing Temporary Housing in Bend: Development Code Changes:

- Overview
- Homelessness in Bend
- Project Turnkey
- Bend Development Code Changes
- 1000-Foot Rule
- Temporary Housing in Commercial Zones
- Proposed Code Changes in Commercial General
- Proposed Code Changes Commercial Limited
- Proposed Code Changes Bend Central District
- How Can Neighbors Participate

Member Jorgensen asked if the public hearing would be speaking to the code changes. Eagan confirmed that is correct and explained the way the Planning Commission would hear the committee best is if the Neighborhood Leadership Alliance (NLA) provides comments based on the criteria on which they are allowed to make decisions.

Member Rhodes asked the rationale behind the 1,000 feet of separation. Eagan explained in 2001 Bend was just more of a suburban place and did not want the temporary uses to be too close together throughout the City when there was more of a suburban layout. Eagan said temporary housing is one of the temporary uses that got caught in the separation code. Eagan said as Bend urbanizes and densifies, the idea of having these separations between all temporary uses just does not fit with the development patten of the town anymore.

Member Jorgensen asked for two volunteers to represent the NLA at the Planning Commission meeting. Member Roche volunteered to go to the Planning Commission Meeting.

Member Mushel said the goal for the Planning Commission meeting will be to present the overall statement and it is not necessary to present individual opinions.

Makayla Oliver, Community Relations Manager said the Planning Commission Work Sessions are an opportunity when the Community Development Staff will present in more detail about what exact changes will be done to the Bend Development Code. Oliver said that the NLA representatives' job is to learn but also to pinpoint the areas that the neighborhoods will want to weigh in on.

Member Johnson asked if this would be an opportunity to have a working group meeting go over the NLA inputs. Member Jorgensen said he would like to meet with Oliver and Eagan to make sure exactly what the NLA is trying to do. Jorgensen said if a Working Group meeting is essential then that can be put together.

Member Friess said it would be helpful to have maps to show where the commercial zones are.

Member Christo asked if the Planning Commission criteria be made available so the Neighborhood Association (NA) Boards can look at it and consider it and get back to City staff.

5. Managed Camps Discussion

Member Jorgensen shared that only seven of the thirteen NAs provided input to the managed camps prompts. Jorgensen stated wanting to hear from the other six NA's that did not submit.

Member Roche asked if the Boyd Acres Board could submit a revised version since there was some confusion over what the final version was supposed to look like. Oliver confirmed that would be ok.

6. Working Group Updates

A. Land Use Working Group – Lisa Mushel

- i. NLA Code Change Recommendations**
- ii. Land Use Education Plan**
- iii. House Bill (HB) 2001**

Member Mushel presented the following slides on the Land Use Working Group:

- Project Timeline
- Land Use Education Program
 - Developer Guide
 - Land Use Chair Guide
 - Community Guide
- HB 2001 Stakeholder Group
 - HB 2001 Overview
 - Land Use Notification – Code Changes

Member Jorgensen asked for clarification on the effective date for the code changes. Pauline Hardie, Senior Planner, explained it is 30 days following the approval which would make the effective date March 5, 2021.

B. Neighborhood Boundaries Working Group

- i. History of Bend Boundaries**
- ii. 2021-2023 Council Goals**

Member Bergsvik presented the following updates for the Neighborhood Boundaries Working Group:

- At the February meeting, Richard Ross, Vice-chair of the Old Bend NA, gave a historical presentation on Bend's boundaries from 1904 to 1975 – Oliver will make the video available via YouTube
- Existing criteria for complete neighborhoods in the Community section in the Comprehensive Plan
- Should know of Council's specific work plan in March

Makayla Oliver, Community Relations Manager, presented the Council Goal Tracker.

Councilor Perkins presented an update on where Council is in the Council Goal process:

- Number one issue is housing
- Going from four goals to six
- Focusing on civil engagement
- Working Group has been created to make sure the six goals are exactly where Council wants them to be – will be presented at the February 17, 2021, Council Work Session
- Council will finalize the six goals at the March 3, 2021, Council meeting
- After goals are completed the focus will be on the budget

C. Other Liaison Assignments

i. Wildfire Resiliency Plan Steering Committee

Member McFadden offered to be the NLA liaison to the Wildfire Resiliency Plan Steering Committee. McFadden commented on providing regular updates to the NLA.

7. Outstanding Topics (5 minutes)

- **Strategic Planning Workshop**

Member Jorgensen moved to approve funds from the NLA's budget be used to hold a Strategic Planning workshop for the committee this spring, and that the NLA's staff liaison put together a Request for Proposals not to exceed \$4,000 to be sent to third party consultants for facilitation. Member Mushel seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously (11-0)

- **Boundaries Workshop**

Member Jorgensen moved to approve the NLA's funds be used to hold a Neighborhood Boundaries workshop this spring for the committee as well as Neighborhood Association leadership, and that the NLA's staff liaison put together a Request for Proposals not to exceed \$4,000 to be sent to third party consultants for facilitation. Member Johnson seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously (11-0).

8. NLA Representative Reports

Member Jorgensen presented the following updates for the Awbrey Butte Neighborhood Association:

- Turnover on the NLA – this is an opportunity for the NLA at the NA level to do a little more work on succession planning – maybe identify people that may have an interest in the NLA
- Collaborating with Summit West NA and Century West NA – a common interest in each NA
- Working with Century West for a fire safety-focused event planned April 22, 2021 – promote Firewise within the community of Awbrey Butte

Member Mushel presented the following updates for the Century West Neighborhood Association:

- Have Had a rough month – lost neighbor in an accident – advocating for lower speed to 35 mph on the road where the accident happened
- Annual meeting will be April 22, 2021 – fire prevention and education program event

Member Bergsvik presented the following updates for the Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association:

- Looking at how to be more efficient working with other NAs
- Working with Southwest NA on the COID property – trying to do joint work plan and work on moving the property from Southwest over to Southern Crossing
- Joint meeting with Century West, Aubrey Butte, and Summit West to look at how neighborhoods can work together – looking at common messaging 3
- Had two retreats – completed work plan for the year - priorities are the COID land and traffic signals at the Reed Market Roundabout

Member Christo presented the following updates for the Southeast Bend Neighborhood Association:

- Website still down – no update
- A Collaborative effort with Old Farm and Larkspur – be more efficient and deal with the issues that cross boundaries

Member Friess presented the following updates for the Old Bend Neighborhood Association:

- Top priority is cut-through traffic through residential streets
- Five-story building going in on Wall Street and Colorado – parking concerns
- Wanting to see Deschutes River Trail completed between South Drake Park and Miller's Landing – will help the City connect Greenways together
- Experienced popup camps near Deschutes Brewery – board thinks there should be five or six camps spread out through the City rather than a single campsite

Member Giddings presented the following updates for the River West Neighborhood Association:

- Annual Meeting is February 25, 2021 – work on outreach and communications, Chief Krantz to attend, discussion of the Newport Corridor Project and roundabout transportation issues – reached out to the community for questions
- Has three potential board members

Member Johnson presented the following slides for the Old Farm Neighborhood Association:

- Board meeting February 8, 2021 – Councilor Kebler new representative for Old Farm – discussions around land use

Member McFadden presented the following updates for the Summit West Neighborhood Association:

- Priority for Board is Firewise
- Attended the Wildfire Resiliency Plan Steering Committee meeting – focused on fuels reduction and facilities hardening – will not focus on evacuation routes, shelter in place, or illegal fireworks

Member Pine presented the following updates for the Mountain View Neighborhood Association:

- Majority of last meeting cut-throughs and traffic issues discussed – Robin Lewis City Transportation Engineer attended and gave input and will do some follow-up – board has suggestions for the City

Member Rhodes presented the following updates for the Southwest Bend Neighborhood Association:

- Monthly board meeting February 8, 2021 – Councilor Broadman new representative for Southwest Bend
- General meeting April 15, 2021 – plan to have Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) offer a presentation on the new projects coming to Highway 97 south of China Hat and some of the configurations that may be pending
- Spent a lot of time looking at and considering the development COID Property – working with Southern Crossing to determine boundaries and make sure the boundaries are clear in bylaws
- The boards focus is on the use of illegal fireworks – fire concerns
- Board supports the tree ordinance – has concerns about the reduced parking for some of the middle housing projects

Member Roche presented the following updates for the Boyd Acres Neighborhood Association:

- Board had a presentation from ODOT on North Highway 97 – have regular updates
- Heard from the Deschutes Library on the plans for the new library
- Submitted info on Neighborhood Street Safety Projects (NSSP) that the board still supports - submitted something on managed camps
- General meeting will be in June
- Member Roche is on the Illegal fireworks group – not associated with NLA or NA

Adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla M. Duddy
Deputy City Recorder