

Farviews – Pattee Canyon Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 6, 2021, 7:00 pm

Via Zoom

1. Introductions and Attendance: (approximately 22 total)

Colin Woodrow initiated introductions.

Present: Ray Aten (note/minutes), PJ Delhomme, Teri Fellon, and Cathy Nolan (FV-PC LT)
Colin Woodrow (Neighborhood Coordinator)
Amber Sherill (Ward 4, City Council Representative)
Ben Weiss, Ross Mollenhauer, and Grant Carlton (City Staff)
Evan and Bethany Youngblood, Chris & Megan, Pat Kujawa, Janet Seidel, Allen Sassen Goehner, Angela and Patrick Bridegam, Kristina, Cory Palmer, Chris Cherubini, John McGrew, Trisha Drobeck, Zsuzsa Weinhandl, and several others (Neighbors)

2. Accept/Modify Agenda:

Agenda was accepted as presented.

3. Approve Leadership Team Minutes of March 4, 2021 and April 1, 2021:

Minutes approved by a unanimous voice vote of the leadership team.

4. Presentation: Traffic Concerns at High Park and Parkview Way - Ben Weiss

Ben Weiss presented Missoula's Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (<https://www.engagemissoula.com/neighborhood-traffic-safety-program>). It is a revamp of a previous program, relies on a systematic analysis of issues, and providing low cost responses. He encouraged all to review the documents available at the website. He noted that data collected for High Park and Whitaker indicates that, compared to Stephens, Whitaker and High Park have half as many crashes and twice the volume. Missoula has only 2.5 traffic officers. High Park is due for maintenance (Chip and Seal) and alterations in the lanes might be possible (reduce to one parking lane and add a bike lane).

Discussion and Comments (following is less than inclusive):

Speeding, excessively high speeds! Particularly between 4:30 and 7:00 pm is common.

Biking on High Park and Whitaker has increased.

How about crosswalk at High Park and Parkview Way with activated flasher.

Several have tried turtles along edge of road but there have been complaints filed.

Permanent speed reminder? Ben Weiss noted the one in the Rattlesnake was costly and appears to have minimal effect on vehicle speed.

Placing the speed trailers closer to Simons and Whitaker may be more effective.

Action: Evan and Bethany will organize a Traffic Calming group/committee and bring their proposal to the next Farviews – Pattee Canyon Leadership Team meeting. They specifically requested participants interested to forward emails to them.

5. Presentation: 507 Simons, Missoula Water Property – Ross Mollenhauer and Grant Carlton

Ross Mollenhauer: The property is owned by the Missoula Water, a public utility.

The intention is to sell the north half of the property (approx. 2.3 acres). The proceeds of the sale will become part of Missoula Water's income. The south half of the property will remain owned by Missoula Water. The parcel South of the Missoula Water property (and North of High Park parkland) is privately owned and planned for

development.

Grant Carlton: Missoula Parks and Recreation is negotiating with parcel and property owners in the area so as to achieve access to High Park parkland for residents North, East, and West of the Water Company and privately owned (and slated for development) parcels.

Discussion and Comments:

Housing density and zoning? Zoning is R5.4 for parcels for sale. Actual housing density will be affected by road construction etc.

Construction traffic will be using residential streets and there will be lots of traffic. The water company parcel sale must be considered by City Council.

If the developers do not request variances or other deviations from development rules there will not be a public hearing.

6. **Other Items to be discussed:** There were none.
7. **Missoula Neighborhoods Report – Colin Woodrow:** Tabled due to time.
8. **Public Comment on items not on Agenda:** There was no public comment.
9. **Announcements:** There were none.
10. **Adjourn:** About 9:10 PM