*Date: August 13, 2024, at 3pm*

Meeting: Waterfront Construction Business Coordination

ATTENDEES:

Office of the Waterfront: Therese Casper

Alliance for Pioneer Square: Lisa Howard, Anahi Bendeck, Nikki Bashaw, Lorelei Williams

Businesses: Sarah Upshaw (Ohsun), Angela Williams (Luigis), Ryan Smith (Martin Smith), Adrienne Tibbs (Pioneer Square Labs), Josh Worthey (Crossbeam Investments), Julie Sinecio (Newmark)

AGENDA

| **Topic** |
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| Follow-Ups from July 29th Meeting   1. Tree types (on South Washington)   10ea LIRIODENDRON TULIPIFERA ‘JFS-OZ’ EMERALD CITY TULIP TREE  4ea ACER NIGRUM ‘GREENCOLUMN’ GREENCOLUMN MAPLE     1. Weekend Closure scheduled 8/17-8/19 special programming or garage discount?-discussed below. 2. Picture of landscape fence: either have kick rails (go where things used to be under water) or landscape fence.   A tree in a flower bed  Description automatically generated   1. Schedule with a map (sent out with notes): graphic shared with blue as closures to vehicles, but green for what still has work but is open to vehicles; ghost piers not shown on the schedule; the City light vault work that is happening on Thursday is a smaller short term detail not shown, but will close the street for work in advance of paving on Main and Washington from Alaska to 1st; King Street would be weekend or night closures, but may not be needed; 2nd Ave pavement marking to restripe at night and will close the roadway, mid-September, does include Main and Washington (only from Occidental to 2nd-will add to graphic) at the same time; utility work in Occidental Square (though still open), will get into the park for water connections in September   -Angela asked where to direct people to for Thursday? 1st is still an option until the weekend; Saturday and Sunday would be Alaskan or Yesler, or alleyways for deliveries; additional street parking for 2 hours on stretch on Royal Brougham past Yesler and can usually find parking and Stadium Place is $4/hr.; with all of the events this weekend are there any garage options-intersection closure doesn’t start until 7am Saturday  -A garage buyout would be 1st & Columbia or Butler; it would be something that would have “share your receipt”; Alliance will look into it tomorrow  -Other concern is having people walk at night from restaurant to Royal Brougham, will there be any increased security? No-all sidewalks will be closed, mid doesn’t do escorts that late; people usually park South Main, 1st or by the Meyer where people are; there are a few parking spots on Main and then they could walk through the alley-it is probably 6 for one business and 20 for the whole the block-Ohsun is open to 3pm; garage buyout would include employees  -Angela can put garage notice on Instagram, but then there is Lyft or Uber driven-APS can also look if they can get a discount code |
| Active Project Work Updates & Two-Week Look Ahead (Therese)   1. Traffic plan/circulation once the Washington/Occidental intersection is closed. How does that function in relation to the closures for the Metropole project? *The Metropole project is shifting closure barricade west to the intersection at James and adding signs to send folks EB on James and SB on 2nd Ave to get back to the WA/Occidental intersection (instead of sending people south on Occidental). This was discussed with Eddy and WG Clark at the HUB meeting last Thursday. Local access to Occidental will be maintained to the private parking lot. Joint coordination between development and the Waterfront program. This avoids U-turn trap.* 2. *Construction will continue through some of football season; starts early September; Football games will plan to be avoided for closures; if needed, share your receipt for the north end garages if there are any conflicts, particularly on King.* 3. Are there more trees being planted on S Main? There are some trees out there. Sarah talked to someone part of the initial talks and they thought there trees would match Washington where Underbelly is, thought it would be more of “tree-lined street; Main doesn’t match Washington as a full tree-lined street because it was planned differently to have lower level greenery, but the trees will be replaced in the fall |
| Business/Property Owner Comments & Concerns (All)   1. APS is doing some troubleshooting on the trash for alley between 1st/Washington/Occidental to make sure they are getting all of the trash. 2. Maintenance once completed: the east/west streets are not part of the park boulevard and agreement with Friends, but the Waterfront does have budget for 3 years of maintenance, resources with the Mid is one option; Lisa heard that levy $ would include Pioneer Square-an amendment at Council to add $ to SDOT, but Therese could not confirm; Ryan would like to talk about the plan now since they have been asking for 4 years or more, so even though there is a 3 year plan, he knows they need time; who are the right people to talk to? Angie and either SDOT or Seattle Center, Therese will check back with Angie on how best to continue the conversation to develop a plan; might need to bring SDOT into the conversation. 3. 2nd Ave Striping is not expected to happen sooner than mid-September to be able to give proper notice; the grinding is noisy, and the work will be at night; need to specifically let the residents know; planning for one week notice in advance of this work. 4. Angela was asking if Therese is confident that all of the work will get done this weekend; it is a lot of work, but they have planned to bring the resources to make it happen with an hour by hour plan; worst case scenario they have isolated areas they have to come back to fix for a utility casting, but the rest of the work is somewhat standard; plan to reopen 5am on Monday 5. Therese shared that the Alliance and Waterfront teams are taking weekly walks to review all current items too. 6. Ryan asked if there was any plan to celebrate completion of this work; did the habitat beach small event, but now they are working on process to name the plazas before they do any type of event there; waiting for transfer from WSDOT to City for north plaza; it will be November before most of it is done; suggesting working on something fun to promote it-what about before all is done or a spring kick off? Ryan thinks as soon as it starts to be visualized it would be good to make people aware; separate from contractor construction there are interpretive panels in alleys adjacent to water line, would be nice to have those in, but could look at doing a tour too; holiday drives traffic; keeping an eye on opportunities as things get wrapped up 7. Labor Day weekend will have a market in Occidental Square to draw people down, by August 30th. 8. Exposed tree routes/tree health on Yesler (Ilze inquiry): *tree pits filled with dirt.* |
| Other?   1. 10 Cruise ships, two concerts and the Sounders this week |