

Date: October 7, 2024, at 3:00pm

Meeting: Waterfront Construction Business Coordination

ATTENDEES:

Office of the Waterfront: Therese Casper

Alliance for Pioneer Square: Lisa Howard, Jessa Timmer, Lorelei Williams

Businesses: Sarah Upshaw (Ohsun), Angela Williams (Luigis), Ryan Smith (Martin Smith)

AGENDA

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Follow-Ups from September 16th Meeting

- 1) Maintenance Discussion with City: tentatively scheduled for 10/22 at 3pm; Lisa can attend; Ryan will be gone and will have to attend the next meeting.
- 2) Event in December: Ribbon-cutting for East/West Streets, Mayor will drive timing; likely to be in Occidental-Waterfront team will propose this as a preferred location, and Mayor's team will change if they want to (and have done before); Lisa asked if there is a scope of intent for communications/size, Therese said Iris and Jeanette would be able to talk further to that soon; Lisa wants to make sure that people feel included in that event; request from Business group is to do a larger event this time and dovetails into the series of events going into next year-make it as big as possible to celebrate and acknowledge, Angela needs to think on it, but would like to do a multi-day event to welcome people back to the neighborhood, offer tours or scavenger hunt; the holiday promotion will also be going on at the same time; Overlook walk was a successful example; Sarah brought up possibility of waiting until January as that might be a slower time and could bring people here: but Ryan had thought sooner was better than later to get the word out; if Businesses feel strongly about pushing it, then say so; Sarah thought early December best so top of mind to come back for all events, but not right by the holidays; Angela asked if there was any chance of pop-ups at Unico to activate the space-Lisa and Jessa will ask, but the challenge is that the re-opening cost is not zero, Seattle-restored might be most feasible; Friends is working on projected light displays-that is being worked on for Unico already Jessa said

Active Project Work Updates & Two-Week Look Ahead (Therese)

- 1) Updated Schedule Review: a few extended beyond original dates (S Main, King St, and Utility work on Occidental), but still all done by Thanksgiving, work will not continue into next year; not expecting to need closures on King St, but still allowable in the contract.
- 2) First year with the contract and years two and three of landscape maintenance it will be covered by Seattle Center; Therese said it is part of MOA with Seattle Center, East/West Streets is part of that now; Lorelei mentioned hearing that money was programmed for years two and three, and so this matches with that understanding; Ryan asked how this process works for the irrigation control, operating manuals, and anything he knows can help him make sure things don't



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get lost in the shuffle; Therese expects it to be more formal than other projects in the past, since there is more formality to the plans transfer to a geospatial program for the Seattle Center to be able to track maintenance; Therese is not sure who all can see this tool; it may be talking to Tiffany and her team-confirm with Angie on the 10/22

Business/Property Owner Comments & Concerns (All)

- 1) Feedback from Angela and Sarah to move these meetings to Tuesdays or Thursdays; ACTION for move (Jessa/Lisa)-will move to Tuesdays or Thursdays at 3pm
- 2) What happens if a tree dies? Therese explained that they get replaced at the one year mark-exactly when that one year mark is likely to be staggered with installation timelines; concern of long periods of dead plants, and there are reasonable concerns around animals peeing (which) any volunteers replacing plants would null and void maintenance agreement with the contractor in the first year, Therese can look at possibility for an interim review
- 3) Concerns about irrigation freezing in the winter and breaking; Therese will have to look into: ACTION-find out condition during winter, is it turned off? (Therese)
- 4) Lights will be back on 1st Ave this year (at least that is the plan)
- 5) Ryan saw the work on King Street today and noticed that the equipment is tagged with graffiti, and the bus they use to bring workers in is also graffiti 'ed, doesn't feel like a need an tidy sight, on the radar to request and hold them accountable to a standard of care for their equipment, Lisa shared that the shuttle is embarrassing, it looks like an abandoned vehicle; Therese hasn't been part of the conversation but agrees that it is a concern; long-term for the neighborhood to be aware of as nothing ended up happening about it

Other?

1) Sarah mentioned monthly meetings for ongoing coordination with the Alliance (beyond Waterfront); Lisa and the group had a conversation about the approach to this going forward.