October 2021 MTNA Newsletter

Our monthly newsletter offers information about civic issues and has some overlap with the conversations that happen at our monthly community meeting.

Community News

A request from Commissioner Mapps – MTNA meeting attendees extensively discussed Commissioner Mapps' September 19th Oregonian Op-Ed. The MTNA voted to support the framework of his public safety proposal which includes universal body cameras for accountability; an expansion of non-police responders through the Portland Street Response program; and a recognition of Portland's dangerous gun violence with a request for the Police Bureau to be funded enough to respond to this issue. The Op-Ed is here: https://www.oregonlive.com/opinion/2021/09/opinion-more-police-expanded-alternativesmust-be-part-of-gun-violence-response.html

The next meeting will be November 17 at 7pm, on Zoom – REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Register in advance for this meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0odeyurTIrHNf7p5Zu2O4yvrADnBn8gJ-h

Civic Issues Updates

Historic Resources Code Changes – If you are interested in learning about the changes city staffers are proposing to the codes governing Historic Resources, a highly informative "lunch and learn" presentation is offered via Zoom on Thursday October 28, 12-1 pm. To register for the Historic Resources Lunch & Learn, go here: https://tinyurl.com/hrcpLandL

Portland City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed code changes on November 3, 2021, at 2 p.m.

More from the city: "The hearing will be held virtually, and pre-registration is required. Because this meeting will be held virtually, electronic written testimony is strongly encouraged. Written testimony must be received by the time of the hearing and must include your name and address. To register for the November 3 hearing or to submit written testimony, please visit the project webpage: https://www.portland.gov/bps/hrcp. The deadline to sign up for the November 3 hearing is November 2 at 4:00 p.m. Individuals have two minutes to testify unless stated otherwise at the hearing. "

What is the Historic Resources Code Project?

The Historic Resources Code Project proposes changes to the City of Portland's Zoning Code regulations for the identification, designation, protection, and reuse of historic resources.

How can I review project documents?

The Historic Resources Code Project Recommended Draft Staff Report and Zoning Code amendments are available on the project website. An overview of the changes made by the Planning and Sustainability Commission can be found in Volume I of the Recommended Draft.

Questions?

If you have additional questions, please reach out to the project team at historic.resources@portlandoregon.gov.

County Commissioner Redistricting -

From the County's website: "Redistricting is the process of redrawing established County Commissioner district boundaries to account for changes in population following the U.S. Census. Learn more about how redistricting works.<u>https://www.multco.us/auditor-mcguirk/multnomah-county-redistricting-2021</u>

Given the population growth of Multnomah County in the last few years, we expect commissioner districts to change. In light of this, the Auditor would like to hear from county residents on what you like and don't like about your (and other) district boundaries and how they might better reflect the communities within each district.

You'll have the option to submit your thoughts in writing via a short questionnaire : https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdFSI_xY2Z0X7DV3J6y5LJa6exIhznmh8C9i0NEA0mQ7cDiM w/closedform. Your feedback will help the Auditor make decisions during the redistricting process that support community connections."

Multi-family Recycling Changes – The City of Portland is updating recycling methods for multi-family housing. The changes include:

- **Clearly labeled waste bins** by 2023: All containers and waste collection areas will be labeled with <u>new signs and stickers</u>. Signs will be the same across the greater Portland area.
- **Color-coded bins** for recycling, glass, and garbage by 2028: Waste bins will be the same colors in all apartments and multifamily communities in the greater Portland area: Blue for recycling, orange for glass, and grey or black for garbage.
- Minimum service level requirements by 2023: To reduce the problem of overflowing bins and missing recycling containers, the City will require a minimum level of service (size and/or quantity of containers and frequency of pickup) for garbage, recycling, and glass.

Provide feedback

The City of Portland welcomes feedback on these changes. Please contact us with comments by noon on November 16, 2021: wasteinfo@portlandoregon.gov or 503-823-7202.

Find more information about these changes at www.portland.gov/multifamily-recycling-improvements.

Treasurer's Report

Update by Bing Wong

Asset: Bank Balance Total: \$6,008.44

Liabilities: None

Recurring Expenses: Zoom monthly fees (consolidated for reimbursement to Stephanie Stewart, January-September 2021, check mailed. This will be the end of SEUL fiscal year). Copies for "Communications" will be compiled and sent to SEUL for documentation for funds received to cover costs.

Friends of Mt. Tabor Park report

Update by Bing Wong

- Weed Warriors regular work parties on Oct. 30 and Nov. 27, 9 am at Visitor Center. City wide No Ivy work parties on Nov. 20.
- Nature Series walks continues. See taborfriends.org web site for details and registration. Several "invasive" trees in the park have been marked for removal.
- Mt. Tabor Maintenance Yard project started Oct.18. Funding from 2014 Parks Replacement Bond. South Tabor Neighborhood Association had advocated for a multimodal pathway at SE 64th and Division for many years before the bond election. See https://www.portland.gov/parks/construction/mt-tabor-maintenance-yard-project
- Reports of falls in the park, both on PWB property. The bicycle accident where a wheel of a bike was caught in the grate near Reservoir #1 has resulted in a law suit. The gate at that location is closed with traffic cones and hazard tape in place. A message came to the friends about a person falling near tree id post #22. I investigated and found potholes and damage to the drain channel on the PWB access road just past the gate near the Lincoln Street access point. PWB has put in a repair proposal to repair the road and I sent the Mt. Tabor Reservoirs Preservation project manager pictures of the area where the falls took place. Don't know when repairs will be made.
- FMTP fundraiser Tar 'n' Trail fun run took place, just in time after getting insurance from SEUL after much effort.

Compiled by Stephanie Stewart. Receive an email with this newsletter each month, by joining our email listserv (follow the instructions here: <u>https://www.mttaborpdx.org/copy-2-of-connect-get-involved-1</u>)

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