

Roosevelt Neighborhood Association Newsletter Katie Wood—Acting Editor November 2015 http://www.rooseveltseattle.org

Mayor Signs Park Legislation on Sisley Property

by Katie Wood

The Mayor signed the Roosevelt Park legislation at a ceremonial bill signing on Friday, October 16 at the Mayor's office downtown. This authorized the Superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation to acquire the northwest corner of 14th Avenue NE and NE 65th Street, for open space, park, and recreation purposes. The Mayor signed the legislation saying, **"For years the residents of the Roosevelt neighborhood were subject to deteriorating conditions because of the actions of a single landlord. Today is a fresh start."**



Neighbors Celebrate at the General Meeting and Send Thanks

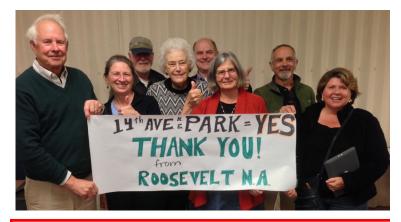
by Ellen Stoecker

At the RNA General Meeting Tuesday, Oct. 27, neighbors celebrated the Mayor signing the legislation that will create a park in the neighborhood. Barbara Warren did a nice review of the reasons she had proposed the park and shared that she had talked to Hugh Sisley and Jon Breiner about it in the past, and to the Seattle Parks Department about funding, and the great interest at previous Bull Moose Festivals. Lo and behold the Mayor and City Attorney and City Council have made it happen. A big "Thank You" to everyone involved in this project.

RNA General Meeting: Tuesday, November 24, 2015

6:30 p.m. Social , 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Presentation CCA, 68th & Roosevelt, Third Floor

Next LUA Meeting: Check RooseveltSeattle.org



Seattle Emergency Communications Hub Training For this indoor, slow motion exercise, we will practice deploying volunteers who come to a hub with a skill to share during a major disaster. Sat., Nov 14, 9:00am-Noon at Verity Credit Union, 11027 Meridian Ave N. Visit the website for more info at <u>seattleemergencyhubs.org</u>. Please RSVP by Nov. 10th so the exercise organizers can create the right number of practice Hub groups. info@seattleemergencyhubs.org Please include your name, email or contact information.

LUA Session Update: Transit Oriented Development

by Gina Leone



The Roosevelt Land Use Academy (LUA) held its 3rd session on Sat., Oct. 24. This session was specifically about the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) in

Roosevelt: the old QFC property that is currently using to stage construction of the Light Rail. It will most likely be available for redevelopment in 2020. We heard info from Puget Sound Regional Council, Seattle Dept of Transportation, and Sound Transit concerning this process. Then there was a brief discussion by the community members present.

Sara Maxana from Puget Sound Regional Council talked about regional strategies for accommodating the growth that will occur in our region over the next 10 years and the importance of transportation hubs in communities like Roosevelt. She shared examples of things that were built on other TOD sites and the ideas behind urban planning.

Kevin O'Neill from SDOT spoke about SDOT's role in the Light Rail process and about the "Green Street" concept adopted nearby. This street will be kept as pedestrianfriendly as possible. The Link Light Rail Station itself will have a plaza with benches and public art on either side of NE 66th at 12th to serve as gathering, waiting, or drop



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Alex Pedersen, Former City Council Legislative Analyst, and his family in Ravenna Park off/pick up space. Whatever is built on the TOD site should conform with the "Green Street" guidelines and continue the theme for the rest of the block. There can be some flexibility concerning street parking on NE 66th in that area.

Thatcher Imboden from Sound Transit spoke about Sound Transit's process and goals for dealing with the TOD property. Sound Transit plans to open the Roosevelt Light Rail Station in 2021, and are hoping the development on the old QFC site will be ready at that time. They are beginning their TOD process now. They will have additional opportunities for community involvement in the next 4 months. Sound Transit, through community feedback, will determine what goals the site's redevelopment should accomplish. Then they will plan a strategy for achieving those goals.

Community members then presented some ideas, asked questions, and discussed the topic. Steve Lewis from the YMCA gave examples of things that are possible at the site, and spoke to the possibilities of partnerships in redeveloping it to gain more flexibility. Another community member suggested a center that could include senior residence and day care facilities, and a nursery/preschool, and can involve UW and RHS students. Other suggestions were for layered buildings with different floors... *continued on page 7...*

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ROOSEVELT LAND USE ACADEMY SESSION 302: TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

In Roosevelt, Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) refers to the development of the land adjacent to the light rail station, at the former QFC site. When Sound Transit is done with the space in 2020, they will make the majority of this real estate available for redevelopment by qualified developers. The RNA is gathering input from the community in order to offer Sound Transit an idea of the community's values, needs, and requests before they begin their process. TOD is important because of its proximity to the transit hub, which will become the gateway to Roosevelt, giving it very high public exposure to both residents and visitors. What do you feel is the best use of the TOD sites in Roosevelt? How can we leverage the light rail station to create a wonderful new place in our neighborhood? Let us know your thoughts. This survey is also available online at www.rooseveltseattle.org.

1. Did you attend or watch the online video of any of the following LUA sessions? _____201 (Sept. 19th) 302 (specific to TOD site) (Oct. 24th) 101 (July 25th)

None

2. What are your **GENERAL PRIORITIES** for TOD at the Roosevelt Light Rail station?

Please indicate your feelings on these topics on a scale of 0 to 5:			portaı impor			
Housing: People living close to transit stations tend to drive less, may not even own a car. Should housing be a priority?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Public Commons: The Roosevelt Station will include small seating areas and public art. Should TOD include more?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Community Center: This could take widely different forms. Select specific components below, if desired.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Business/Economic Development: TOD could include office spaces, specialized retail spaces, and other enterprises.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Arts & Cultural Development: It might include space for a variety of cultural or artistic activities. Some specifics below.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Social Services: Is TOD a good place to offer support for children, seniors, and other vulnerable community members?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational Facilities: Should it provide space for physical fitness services such as a health club, gym, or swimming pool?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Health Care Facilities: Is TOD a good place to offer routine or specialized medical services?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Other GENERAL Priority:	0	1	2	3	4	5
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3. Here are some SPECIFIC IDEAS that were presented in previous survey responses. Please check your TOP 5 ideas:

Family Housing	Small Independent Business	Movie Theater	Art Gallery
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Workforce Housing	Professional Office Spaces	Live Theater Space	Artist Studios
Owner Occupied Housing	Post Office	Music Store	Live Music Venue
Rental Housing	Office Supply Store	Hotel	Artist in Residence Program
Affordable Housing	Hardware Store	Restaurants	Cultural Space
Homeless Shelter	Small Retail	Public Restrooms	Urgent Care Center
Food Bank	Clothing Store	Gathering Space/Seating	Physical Therapy
Townhouses	Sporting Goods Store	Meeting Space	Legal Services
Language Services	Gift Shop	Library	Childcare Services/Preschool
Elementary School	Bakery/Deli	Ice Cream/Frozen Yogurt	Child Friendly Restaurants/Stores
Senior Center	Grocery Store	Gym/Health Club	Ethnic Grocery Store
Other:		Other:	

4. Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements:	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
TOD projects should contribute to or expand the "Green Street" concept for NE 66^{th} St.					
Retail space should be affordable to small businesses.					
Preference should be given to Non-Profit Groups.					
TOD should accommodate a variety of uses.					
I am concerned about parking near the light rail station.					
TOD buildings should be sustainably constructed and have extra "green" environmental features or a "Net Zero" energy use.					
Transit oriented development should adhere to "wedding cake" design guidelines and step down in height near single family neighborhoods.					

5. Please share with us any other ideas, thoughts, or feelings you have about the TOD space in a few sentences:

These basic demographic questions will help us determine your relationship with the Roosevelt Neighborhood. Please check all that apply.

6. Do you live or work in Roosevelt or a surrounding neighborhood? LIVE WORK What neighborhood?

7. How often do you expect you will ride Link	Light Rail to or from Roosev	velt?Less the	han one day per week	3-5 days per week	Everyday
8. Where will your primary destinations be?	Other Neighborhoods	Downtown	Stadiums	SEATAC Airport	Northgate

9. How many vehicles does your household drive on a regular basis? _____ When Light Rail arrives, would you consider owning fewer vehicles? YES NO

I would like to receive email updates about LUA. Email address:

THANK YOU for sharing your thoughts! Please mail the completed survey to the Roosevelt Neighborhood Association, 6910 Roosevelt Way NE, Box #518, Seattle, WA 98115, by December 1, 2015. Surveys can also be placed in the survey box outside of 7329 12th Ave NE.

Land Use Information

by Jay Lazerwitz, Chair Land Use Committee

A Design Review meeting with Early Design Guidance (EDG) is scheduled on Monday Dec. 14th @ 6:30pm for a residential development at 802 NE 66th St. for (3) 7-story apartment buildings with a total of 250 units and parking for 105 vehicles to replace (11) single-family dwellings.

There is an "Appeal Hearing Notice" for a proposed project at: 6105 Roosevelt Way NE., comprising a 6-story congregate residence with 128 rooms and 2,000 sq. ft. of ground level retail. No parking proposed. A previous appeal filed by "Concerned Roosevelt Neighbors" was successful, in that the parking impacts were required to be further studied. The current appeal further challenges the parking requirement, and lack of parking provided.

DPD# 3018165. DPD planner: Bruce Rips 206-615-1392.

Design Guidelines – Continuing Work

by Jay Lazerwitz, Chair Land Use Committee

The Land Use committee is working on a future addendum to the current Roosevelt Design Guideline to insure good Pedestrian character, a diversity of commercial spaces and uses, and increased landscaping for new developments.

The next Committee meeting is on Tues. Nov. 10th at 7pm. Email landuse@rooseveltseattle.org for questions or comments.



Roosevelt Neighborhood Association & Roosevelt Business Group Present



- Membership Committee Chair
- Events & Culture Committee Chair
- Communication Chair / Roosie Editor
- Bloggers / Social Media Junkies

Contact RNA President, Jack Mowreader for more info on opportunities. president@rooseveltseattle.org

New Urban Village **Boundaries** Proposed

by Jay Lazerwitz, Chair Land Use Committee

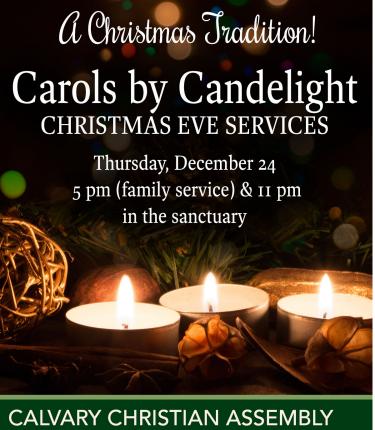
In the Seattle 2035 - Comprehensive Plan for future growth: http://2035.seattle.gov/, the city is proposing to expand the existing Roosevelt residential urban village; the area of expansion is based on areas that are within a 10-minute walk of frequent transit.

Expanding the urban village to the south, so that the North University and Roosevelt areas adjoin, makes good sense. Some property owners east of 15th Ave NE, are resisting changing the boundary to the east, where the expansion comprises mostly single-family properties; the expansion would encompass parts of Ravenna Park as well. The area to the east is within the Ravenna-Bryant neighborhood, whom we are working with on RNA comments.

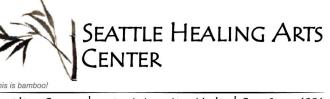
Go to http://2035.seattle.gov/ and submit your comments by Nov 20th and/or attend an open house. The nearest open house is on Nov 14th, 9am-12pm at North Seattle College, Old Cafeteria, 9600 College Way, presentation starts at 10am.

Green Lake / Roosevelt Residential Urban Village





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"U-Loo" Project & Tent City Collective

Two Organizations - Different Solutions to the Same Challenge

by Laura Bernstein

University of Washington students, alumni and Tent City 3 residents are partnering to bring Tent City 3 (TC3) to TENT CITY COLLECTIVE the UW campus. The Tent City Collective (TCC) believes that hosting TC3 will create "an environment in which creative, sustainable solutions to ending the homelessness crisis can develop". A recent walking tour featured over 50 attendees, including both District 4 City Council Candidates and Sally Clark, UW's Director of Regional and Community Relations. Seattle Pacific University representatives spoke of their postive experience as a host campus. Several members of TC3 shared stories that illustrated why their community is a good fit for UW. Tent City Collective is asking Seattleites to sign an online petition (change.org/p/university-district-community-bring-tentcity-3-to-the-university-of-washington). TCC's plan has garnered strong support from many faculty members and student groups, including the Associated Students of the University of Washington (ASUW). A recent change to city ordinance allows TC3 to be hosted at UW. Tent City 3 moves every 90 days and is currently being hosted by Bryn Mawr United Methodist Church sharewheel.org/tent-city-3.

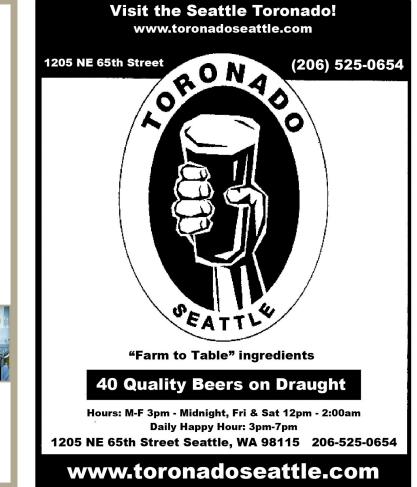


Please join TCC at an upcoming meeting, Mondays at 6 pm on campus. Follow TCC on <u>facebook.com/tentcitycollective</u>, and <u>twitter.com/uwtcc</u>. To learn more please email tentcitycollective@gmail.com.

Another fantastic project in the U District is trying to bring public bathrooms to the area surrounding the new light rail station. Unfortunately, Sound Transit does not intend to include public restrooms in the Roosevelt or U District stations. "U-Loo", is a partnership between the University District Conversation on Homelessness (UDCH) and U District Partnership's Clean & Safe Committee. U-Loo needs many volunteers to assist with community engagement.

To learn more please email theuloo2015@gmail.com Follow U-Loo on <u>facebook.com/ulooproject</u>, and <u>instagram.com/ulooproject</u> To learn about UDCH visit <u>udchseattle.com</u>

As a U District resident, I am proud that my community is working to find positive solutions that will increase the quality of life for all neighbors.



RNA Transport Group News

by Peter James, Chair RNAT

Recently I wrote in *The Roosie* about a "Developer's Code of Conduct" that we at RNAT have written, to help neighbors who find themselves living close to a development project. Since then the document has been discussed at a monthly general meeting and by the RNA Board and is now ready to be put to work.

It is a starting point for discussions with developers to minimize the discomfort of being close to a project. It focuses mainly on pedestrian access past and around the project, and maintaining parking for residents. It also provides for a quick response by the developer to site vehicles blocking driveways or sidewalks. It has a lot of details and may need to be amended for each site that it is used for.

The document resides on <u>rooseveltseattle.org</u>. If you and your neighbors are gearing up for a development close by, check it out. We at RNAT would be happy to help you with the process of negotiating, but we will require substantial input from your neighbors to trigger RNAT putting energy into it as well!

We recently met with the manager of the new Portage Bay Café to discuss parking. Obviously a business that generates substantial staff and customer parking needs is of concern to us, as it uses up limited parking resources. Our goal is to keep commercial parking out of residential areas as much as possible. We can not force that to happen but by meeting with new (and old) businesses to make sensible suggestions, we hope to reduce the crunch. Soon we hope to have signs up at Portage Bay advising customers where to park. In the meantime, walk over and try their breakfast or lunch. Yum.

Our next RNAT meeting is on Nov. 12th @7- 8:30pm. As of writing I am not sure of the location - we move around from restaurant to bar! When I know, I will post it on <u>rooseveltseattle.org</u>. If you are interested in biking, walking, busing, parking or training in our neighborhood, come and check us out.

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serving different purposes. Specific requests were made for individual office spaces and a climbing wall. Community members requested that rents be kept low so that small independent

View the video: <u>rooseveltseattle.org/committees/landuse/lua</u> A survey on TOD is also available on that site and here, in *The Roosie*. Please take a moment to fill it out and return to the RNA so that your voice and opinion can be heard!

businesses being displaced by construction can afford to stay.

Upcoming LUA Sessions on the Roosevelt Reservoir and the High School Blocks are still being planned. They will be posted on <u>rooseveltseattle.org</u> when they are scheduled.



LINK LIGHT RAIL DROP-IN MEETINGS

JOIN US! Come learn about the Northgate Link Extension—future light rail service from University of Washington Station to Northgate. Project staff will be available to answer your questions about design and construction progress. There will be no formal presentation.



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Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Seattle Public Library Northgate Branch 10548 Fifth Ave. N.E. Seattle, WA 98125

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Saturday, Nov. 14. 2015 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

U District Farmers Market University Way N.E. (the "Ave") between N.E. 50th and N.E. 52nd streets Seattle, WA 98105

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Please contact the RNA to share your skills and learn more about your neighborhood.

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