

### **Community Stakeholders Committee Meeting – Feb. 9, 2012**

*(Attendees: Wayne Person, Terry Kenny, Virginia Hendrickson, Mike McNamara – from West Portland Park Neighborhood Association – Linda Gerber, Gary Sutton, and Kate Chester)*

- Linda Gerber led introductions.
- Linda highlighted the rollout details of PCC Newberg Center and Gary Sutton's role with that project. She and Gary shared details about its sustainability attributes including:
  - ✓ Its Path to Net Zero construction
  - ✓ The addition of more solar panels
  - ✓ Ventilation – louvers, fans – and heated floors, all controlled from the Sylvania Campus

She also invited attendees to stop by the building if they happen to be in the Newberg area.

- Next, Linda highlighted bond renovation at the Sylvania Campus. With a budget of approximately \$50 million, about 90 percent of the work to be done at Sylvania will be renovation, with 10 percent being new construction. This includes:
  - ✓ AM Storage Space (approx. 1,800 sq. ft.) – This facility will replace the Conex boxes currently on site.
  - ✓ Child Development Center (approx. 9,500 sq. ft.) – A site hasn't been selected yet, but we have narrowed our choices down to 2-3 locations. A building committee has just been formed. Gary hopes to meet this group within a week. Construction could start next spring (2013).
- The College Center (CC) Building will be gutted for the most part except for the dining room (cafeteria/cafes) and the district offices. We're looking to improve adjacencies and traffic patterns. The construction for CC will be phased over a period of two to three years.
- At all the buildings to be touched by the bond, the lighting systems will be improved and new paint, carpet, etc., will be added. We're busting at the seams in terms of enrollment and trying to be as efficient as possible with all renovations.
- Classrooms are being updated and improved; labs are being updated for accreditation, modernization, needed up-to-date technology, etc.
- Sustainability is key to the improvements at Sylvania, and "E6" is our mantra. Thus far, we've completed:
  - ✓ The new boiler system
  - ✓ Updated valves and connectors
  - ✓ Added the dehumidification units

Wayne Person asked Gary about the technology changes made to the classrooms, and Gary highlighted the digital projectors, smart boards, and more.

- Overall, the bond renovation and construction work should be complete by 2015, although we don't have a hard deadline by which to spend the \$50 million.
- There will be construction trucks coming up SW 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue (not Lesser) throughout construction. Would a sound barrier (fence) for Wayne Person be possible, to lessen noise? Gary commented that the continuation of G Street has had zero impact on an increase of on-campus traffic.
- The group discussed the potential of build-out in the wooded areas in the future, as well as the eventual construction of additional satellite centers. Wayne commented that entering SW 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW Vacuna Street is congested; the traffic is bad, and he's heard this

from other neighbors, as well. Linda concurred – she has witnessed a line to Sylvania all the way from the freeway (I-5) at the start of any term.

- Wayne inquired about the possible construction of a tiered, public parking structure. Linda, Gary and Kate Chester explained that no, this isn't and won't be part of the bond planning because we're trying to encourage alternate means of transportation to/from the campus – TriMet, shuttle service, ride/share, walking, etc. We already have a lot of cyclists coming to campus.
- To that end, we're adding showers (for bikers and walkers) and bike storage on campus. The college also pays for discounted bus passes from TriMet for students, with funds from parking fees.
- That said, our students have complicated lives and for many, cars are their only way to campus.
- The group discussed the spike in enrollment; Kate will get the latest enrollment numbers to share with the group at the next meeting.
- The meeting concluded with reminders about upcoming campus events and handouts to share:
  - ✓ “Heart Beat” on Feb. 15
  - ✓ The winter term play – “From the Ground Up”
  - ✓ “Art Beat” – second week of May

Kate will regularly send event updates to the group, so that they can share the news to their neighborhood associations, contacts, etc.

The next Community Stakeholders Committee meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. Location TBD.

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