

PCC Newberg Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes: March 2, 2010

(Attendees: Joni George, Paula Radich, Don Clements, Claudia Stewart, Michael Sherwood, Melinda Van Bossuyt, Scott Salsberry, David Beam, Tim Eddy/HEA, Doug Reimer/HEA, Erica Dunn/HEA, Kate Chester, Linda Gerber, Kurt Simonds, Barb VanAmerongen and Gary Sutton)

- Hennebery Eddy (HEA) – Erica Dunn and Doug Reimer – gave a presentation to the committee about initial plans and addressed questions about parking – 130 parking stalls for phase one (350 stalls total). David Beam said that there is a big push for charging stations and he’s in discussions about the prospect with PGE, addressing federal grants, LEED points, etc. He offered to connect HEA with PGE as we progress with plans.
- Don Clements said the Cultural Center – PCC’s interim site – is finishing up the exterior of the facility and that they’re pursuing a \$2M grant for additional updates.
- Tim Eddy described Net Zero plans and highlighted that Energy Trust uses 60 percent less energy than it produces. David Beam inquired about geothermal possibilities, which were brought up at the May 2009 eco-charrette.
- Don highlighted a five-mile, multi-use path across the street from Brutscher Street and Fernwood Road; the Park and Recreation District is developing birding opportunities along the way, especially targeted to seniors. This led to a discussion of types of trees to potentially plant on the land that would be of benefit for birds/birding opportunities.
- Assuming the bypass is not installed, the preliminary plans for the site are likely to look a lot different than the original plans. Light will be needed, as well as an access road.
- Following are possible options for the fallow land that currently exists; the ongoing cost to maintain the grounds will have an impact on the options(s) we choose:
 - Possible FFA/NHS project
 - Trees could be donated by local nurseries and planted
 - Mature trees could be planted (although there was discussion about this pro- and con-, as trees may need to be removed for future construction if plans change)
 - The Park and Recreation District could grass it and mow it, so that it could be used as an informal playground
 - “Tunes on Tuesday” could potentially take place there
 - Kite-flying
 - Balloon take-off launch pad
- HEA is hoping to break ground in August (site work – building pad set-up). Additional site work can be done in spring/summer 2011, pre-grand opening.
- There was discussion of holding one of our next meetings at the updated Welding labs at NHS or its nursery.

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