

20 February 2020

Friends of the Portland Streetcar

Members In Attendance:

Lenny Anderson
Raymond Becich
David Brandt
Carolyn Brock
Susan Pearce
Stephen Weber

Guests:

Chris Smith

- Lenny invited Chris Smith, former CAC chair to join the meeting
 - The group collectively discussed the purpose of the group
 - David will continue to be a liaison for the group to the Portland Streetcar board
 - Chris suggested the group contact OPAL to see how the groups could collaborate
 - Chris suggested Bus Riders United specifically might be the best group within OPAL to contact
 - Chris also recommended getting engaged with the commissioner's office
 - Chris further suggested getting a member of FPS on the Bureau of Planning Services' zoning review committee for the Vaughn-Nicolas corridor
 - Eric Engstrom would be a contact within BPS who may be involved in forming a NW project committee
- David suggested collaborating with PSI to host engagement activities to attract a larger membership
- The group collectively discussed reviewing the status of PBOT's plans to form an overall transit advisory committee
 - The former Portland Streetcar Citizens' Advisory Committee was sunset in the expectation PBOT's committee would take its place
 - FPS is considered the continuation of the CAC, but without City Council status
 - The group collectively agreed FPS should try to get a member on PBOT's committee once formed
- Stephen suggested talking to PSI about getting a space at the Green Loop Sunday Parkway on August 23rd
- David will talk to Andrew to see if he has a list of parties that could be interested in growing the group
- The group discussed moving meeting to an earlier meeting time again
 - Moving to an earlier time could enable to group to meet in spaces previously unavailable
 - The group will trial meeting the third Thursday of the month from 3:30pm until 5pm
 - Stephen will talk to PSI to verify if the group can meet at PSI
 - Stephen will also see if meeting announcements could be posted on the cars as well the week of meetings
- David has revised the mission statement for the group and will share via email
- David made revisions to Lenny's letter on behalf of the group opposing ODOT's Rose Quarter Project and will share the revisions via email
- The group collectively discussed the overall need to increase the membership base
 - David asked the group to consider making a list of "baby steps" the group could take concerning activities, promotions, and advocacy; what would the group like to accomplish collectively?

Next meeting: 3:30pm, 19 March at PSI