Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood District Association Monday, November 11, 2024 In person at Milwaukie City Hall, 10501 SE Main St. and on Zoom

Present:

NDA Team: Co-Chair, Debbie Liptan; Land Use Rep & Co-Chair, Val Hubbard; Treasurer, Linda Thomas; PSAC Rep, Andy Fisher; Secretary, Jennifer Murphy; Land Use Rep, Gary Klein

In Person Participants:

Katie Calcagno, Michael Calcagno, Mykle Curton, Cristal Jones Lynn Porta, Jeanne Garst, Ray Bryan, Joann Macey, Jean Wynn, NAYA Family Shelter Director Erika Silver, Will Anderson

Zoom Participant:

Kelly Keehner

Presentations & Discussions

- SaunaGlo Michael & Katie Calcagno detailed their soon-to-open sauna business. This will be the only authentic and fully ADA sauna in Oregon: pleasant bathing experience, cold plunge, lounge with food and drink, planning to open December 7. The soft opening will include a coloring contest. The website will go live in a couple weeks and is a great way to purchase gift cards. For more info, visit saunaglo.com.
- Introduction to NAYA Family Shelter, Formerly Annie Ross House Director Erika Silver shared with us the journey of opening Auntie's House, a family shelter on Northwest Housing Alternatives' campus. Each family lives in their own complete unit with dishes, kitchenette, and bedding. There is a community kitchen for relatives to gather and share meals. The building is full of vibrant Native American artists' murals, natural materials for children's play areas, wraparound support services, and a robust staff. Since their opening in July, 16 families have moved from Auntie's House into permanent housing. Relatives who want to stay at Auntie's House can apply through Clackamas County or NAYA. For more info, contact Erika at erikas@nayapdx.org.

Neighborhood Opportunities for Engagement

- <u>Fall Clean Up Report</u> Debbie Liptan shared that 23 people, our mayor, and two children joined in to weed, mulch, plant, and pick up litter during this event on Main Street and 21st Street. Eight corners have been adopted by Pollinator Stewards, and two or three more are available for adoption.
- <u>City Clean Up</u> December 2, 1-3 PM, City employees will be out weeding the Sculpture Garden at Historic City Hall and all are welcome to join in on the fun.
- <u>Bing in the New Year Sponsorship</u> Val Hubbard reported about last year's Bing event, how 3,000 people attended from all over the metro area. This NY's Eve, our NDA will host a selfie booth at the event. We are looking for volunteers to design the booth and to help run it. The event runs 6-10 PM with the cherry drop happening at 9 PM.
- Other Uniquely-Milwaukie Events Debbie and Val noted other upcoming events. The Umbrella Parade is coming up December 4, for which we welcome volunteers to hold our NDA sign. There is a winter solstice event at Milwaukie Bay Park with bonfires and holiday ship viewing on December 21, 4:30-7:30 PM.
- <u>Historic Milwaukie NDA Social Media Page</u> Find up-to-date photos and activities on our Facebook webpage at "Historic Milwaukie Neighborhood NDA".

HMNDA Current Business

- Milwaukie Museum Membership Debbie Liptan brought to our attention that we usually make a donation to the Milwaukie Historical Society and this year we would like to pay the \$100 donation for membership. These funds help cover the building maintenance costs and community-centered programming (public lectures, children's entertainment, and so much more). We will vote on this in our December meeting.
- Land-use Updates No updates at this time.
- PSAC Report and Milwaukie Bay Park Update Andy Fisher reported about the following:
 - Milwaukie Bay Park Update We can keep up-to-date on Milwaukie Bay Park happenings by checking on the below websites. Until Clackamas County Commission comes back into session, there will likely be no movement forward. Concerned parties are encouraged to call, email, and write Clackamas County Commissioners and NCPRD. Andy

encouraged each one of us to continue with the outreach to keep from losing grant money.

- Websites for MBP Updates:
 - https://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/citycouncil/milwaukiebay-park
 - https://mbp.wtf
 - www.milwaukieparksfoundation.org
 - https://ncprd.com/milwaukie-bay-park-project
- Main Street Trees Update The sidewalk section in front of the Antique Mall is set to go out to bid in early 2025. There is funding for these repairs as a pilot program, though we have a budget gap to cover all downtown sidewalks and trees. Large maple trees will be removed and replaced with smaller trees better-suited to sidewalk areas.
- Arborist Needed We are in need of a professional arborist to train volunteers to properly trim downtown trees. If you know of a willing arborist, please contact Andy at andy@fisherandjanisse.com.
- Follow Up from LoveOne Presentation There will be a free Naloxone training on November 21, 12:30-1:30 PM. "You'll learn information on the overdose crisis, risk factors for an overdose, signs and symptoms of an overdose, and how to reserve an overdose and save lives." Contact Michelle at mkuynyak@nwfs.org for more information.
- <u>Downtown Parking Details</u> In response to a question about downtown parking issues, it was noted that \$7 all day parking passes can be purchased at City Hall.
- Small Business Saturday The Saturday after Thanksgiving, 11/30, we support our local, small businesses! When we shop local, our dollars stay in our communities to help us all to thrive.
- <u>Downtown Business Alliance</u> The Downtown Alliance of Milwaukie (business alliance) meeting is December 3rd, 6 PM at the Masonic Lodge.
- Approval of Minutes Minutes for October 2024 were approved.

Adjournment