



Urban Design and Public Space Committee – May 8, 2019 – Horizon House

In Attendance

- Jim Erickson, UDPS Chair
- Anne McCullough, Director
- Barbara Rhoe, Resident
- Betsy Braun, VMMC
- Bob Terrell, Resident
- Cayla Remancho, SDOT
- Clint Pehrson, Trinity Church
- Coy McKinney, Caydon
- Dana Forhan, Frye Art Museum
- Darel Grothaus, Trinity Church
- Don Glickstein, Resident
- Don Gwylin, Resident
- Doug Holtom, Coordinator
- Frank Conlon, Resident
- John Wilson, Resident
- Kirsten Wild, Trinity Church
- Lee Bennett, Resident
- Lindsay Radliff, Resident
- Mary Ellen Hudgins, Resident
- Meredith Eastman, Resident
- Mike Kehl, SCB/Caydon
- Miriam Sutermeister, Resident

Agenda

- Bailey Gatzert Elementary Pedestrian Improvements
- 615 8th Avenue Updates
- News and Updates

Bailey Gatzert Elementary Pedestrian Improvements

Cayla from the Seattle Department of Transportation explained the program background of the Neighborhood Street Fund (NSF), with emphasis on the Bailey Gatzert Elementary improvement project. The NSF allows for community members to advocate for infrastructure improvements in their neighborhood. NSF was approved through the Levy to Move Seattle, which allocates \$24 million towards the funds over 9 years.

Construction for the project began in the autumn of 2018 and ended in the winter of 2018. SDOT provided translated materials to neighbors. The project included: curb-bulbs, ADA ramps, better school zone signage, landscaping, pedestrian lighting, and a speed limit beacon.

Some tips to improve NSF application:

- Clearly identify points of interest
- Frame the need
- Present a general concept
- Provide visual aids
- Understand budget limitations (\$100,000 - \$1,000,000)
- Tell your neighbors to get more backing for the project!

Jim Erickson mentioned how competitive Safe Walks to School NSF applications can be. Previous applicants can apply multiple times.

Other SDOT programs are:



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- Your Voice, Your Choice
- Neighborhood Matching Fund
- Safe Routes to School
- Office of Arts and Culture
- Next NSF application cycle – late 2020/early 2021

615 8th Avenue Updates

The two goals for the design of the building are: the aspirations of the Parish and the aspirations of the neighborhood. Trinity Church hosted two design charrettes to get a better understanding of community priorities. This project has met with FHIA a total of 5 times. Trinity Church will continue to own the Memorial Garden, in addition to the podium of the new tower.

In November, the Design Review Board suggested that the Memorial Garden, the Tower, and the Church all read as in conjunction with one-another. They also suggested that the intentions of the Garden clearer. The Memorial Garden hopes to be a quiet and relaxing 'room'. The garden redesign includes inward opening gates, outward stretching garden paving, ROW understory thicket remains, removed wrapped paving, Trinity signage added, flexible furnishings, and a fixed wall for seating.

Betsy Braun suggested that the hardscape be reconsidered as more like a lawn to ensure that it doesn't become a thoroughfare. She also mentioned concern about plantings adjacent to the street.

The changes to the building are: generous stone wall in addition to more glass in the gasket, sandstone on the exterior of the building. The southern plans have not changed since the last design review. The 8th Avenue ground floor will still feature a coffee shop and art gallery. The social service uses are still being decided.

There will be 226 condo units in 26 stories. The reissuance of the master use permit is June 12th, 2019 and the design review board meeting will be on July 17th, 2019. Construction is estimated to begin early 2020.

News and Updates

May 14 - FHIA Public Meeting

May 15 - 1100 Boylston Avenue Design Review

May 17 - Cathedral Garden Work Party

May 18 - Heisenberg | Freeway Park

June 13 - First Hill Fidos

July 17 - 615 8th Avenue Design Review

Votes for 9th and University intersection

Design 1 – 0 votes

Design 2 - 3 votes

Design 3 - 7 votes