Columbia Slough Watershed Council General Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, July 27, 2020 **Time:** 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM **Virtual Meeting**

Attendees*

Cathy Kellon	Elizabeth Robillard	Adam Reese-Apex
Sunny Simpkins-MCDD	Keri Handaly-City of Gresham	Jenn Bies-Port of Portland
Troy Clark	Scott Schlief	
Emily Henke	Meei Lum	

^{*} This list captures only Board Members in attendance

Action Items

Action Item	Lead	Due Date
Inform City we're interested in Bunn House purchase and to expect a	Cathy	ASAP
proposal after Labor Day		
Share CSWC office space recommendation with Board members not in	Cathy (Sunny	ASAP
attendance (Kathy, Bob, Daryl, Erwin) for input/approval; follow up	help with calls)	
phone calls would be ideal		
Get a quote from Catalyst Law	Cathy	ASAP
Develop proposal for purchase of Bunn House to submit to City	Cathy, Sunny,	After Labor Day
	Scott	
Recruit additional Finance Committee members and outline a workplan	Cathy and Keri	Goal of 1 st meeting
		in Q1 of FY21
Send suggestions to Cathy for short JEDI videos or topics to be	All	On-going
viewed/discussed at each meeting		
Conduct mid-year Board meeting schedule check in on dates, start	Board	Summer 2020
times, locations etc.		
Try to identify and host Board for DEI training	Port & MCDD	Before April 2021

August Board meeting topics

TBD

Parking Lot (topics to schedule at a future Board meeting)

- Include JEDI Ground Rules on TBD Board retreat agenda
- Board review of official CSWC letters (preference or required?)
- Vanport placemaking project as JEDI discussion topic (need to think through how to frame this)

AGENDA

5:30 Welcome and Introductions

5:40 Business

- Approval of minutes from June
 - o Troy motioned to approve; Adam seconded; all approved
- Action item review

5:45 CSWC Office Building Discussion

- Elizabeth reviewed the voting results top 3
 - Security/safety
 - Stability
 - Office location (not tied to storage of boats etc.)
 - Some expressed opinion that office location may not be that essential compared to wealth building, for example
 - Some shared that proximity to slough is really valuable, in particular with respect to programming
 - Generally, all supported the ranked results without making any changes
- Elizabeth reviewed impact categories with additional ratings for real estate options
- Cathy reviewed assumptions for \$-\$\$\$ cost rankings
- Bunn House is the clear "winner" out of all options
 - o There is a time constraint if we want to pursue purchase of Bunn House
 - If we rent the Bunn house would not invest in upgrades to building, but if we buy Bunn house would want to make some investments
 - Renovations are possible within existing Bunn House footprint but in the longer term would want to expand the building (think we can do this in 2 directions but may be constrained by wetlands in other directions)
 - If we bought Bunn house and wanted to leave at some point, it would revert back to City and we would just have to walk away from any investments made to the building/property
- Jenn motioned we pursue an offer to buy Bunn House; Scott seconded; motion carried

7:15 Updates (time permitting)

- Restoration project at Fairview Lake
 - Wastewater treatment plant mowed down blackberries and Gresham plans to establish riparian buffer to try to outcompete the blackberries
 - If we put a boat launch at each end, could do 1-way environmental education paddles but this would take some work with CSWC and stakeholders to get permissions for trail and boat access
 - MCDD experienced permitting issues when installing boat access points
- Scouting of eastern slough was tough due to proliferation of aquatic vegetation, it was really tough to paddle.
- JEDI Spotlight: JEDI video discussion

7:30 Adjourn