

**Historic Milwaukie NDA**  
**September 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes**  
**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Present:**

**NDA Team:** Vice Chair and Land Use Rep, Val Hubbard; Secretary, Debbie Liptan; Communications Director, Molly Stein

**Participants:** Ross Lehman, Luke Strait, Rachel Austen, Lenny Bennett, Gary Klein, Adam Moore, Siri Bernard, Robert Massey, Kelly Keener, Carly Heims. Zev Luria, Dale Westbrook, Carly & Zak, Dan

**Presentations & Discussions [6:45-7:40 p.m.]**

Public Safety Notices and Community Announcements

- **Update from Police Chief** Luke Strait - Chief Strait gave us updates on the following:
  - Body Worn Cameras (BWC): the BWC program is being rolled out in stages, making sure that glitches are worked out along the way. Residents who are interested in the MPD policy regarding the program can access that at this link: [https://\\*\\*\\*.milwaukieoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/police/page/115781/milwaukie\\_police\\_department\\_-\\_lexipol\\_-\\_8-30-2022.pdf](https://***.milwaukieoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/police/page/115781/milwaukie_police_department_-_lexipol_-_8-30-2022.pdf) starting on page 305.
  - Drone program is being piloted on a limited basis to support the police in certain kinds of emergencies, such as hostage situations or lost/confused elderly for example
  - Active shooter training is being offered to various organizations, including for churches, schools, work places, etc.
  - Lengthly discussion about efforts to work with the public and various agencies and non-profits to help un-housed and/or mentally challenged individuals while keeping residents feeling safe in their neighborhoods. MPD is in the process of interviewing for the Social Services position to support in this area.
- Kelli Keener - Kelli joined us to talk about the newly launched **First Fridays Night Market at Milwaukie Floral**, which includes many kinds of vendors and creators from 4:00 to 7:30 every First Friday. Vendors who may be interested in participating can contact her at [creatorsandcuratorsmarket@gmail.com](mailto:creatorsandcuratorsmarket@gmail.com)
- **Report/update on Scott Park** - Adam Moore, Parks Development Coordinator
  - Adam joined us to talk about the 3 parks within the city under development using COVID funds. In particular, Scott Park is within Historic Milwaukie and Adam is leading the effort from the City to reach out to the community to engage and seek input. October 6 will be the next opportunity at the Ledding Library and will include presentations and food! Please see a written version of Adam's report at the end of these minutes.

- HMNDA's exploration of establishing a **Downtown Mural committee** - Debbie Liptan announced the exploration of the establishment of a Downtown Mural committee. The city provides clear criteria and guidelines, as well as funding through the Arts Committee. Anyone with interest in this project can email [debbieliptan@mac.com](mailto:debbieliptan@mac.com).
- **Public Safety Advisory Committee** - Lenny Bennett, our new PSAC rep is looking for our input and feedback to take to the city. You can reach out to him by email at [lennyb@me.com](mailto:lennyb@me.com) or text at 503-310-3296. We are so grateful to have him aboard!

### **HMNDA Formal Business Meeting [7:40-8:00 p.m.]**

- **Current Business**
  - Land-use Updates - Val Hubbard and Gary Klein
    - City Hall Repurposing - RFP process is ongoing
    - Coho Point - because of the pandemic and ongoing supply chain issues, the groundbreaking of this project has been delayed until next year.
    - Milwaukie Bay Park - the various permits for completion of the final stages of this project have been approved. The funding is still being worked on.
- Approved of Minutes [July '22, revised]
- **New Business**
  - October NDA meeting will be held in person at Milwaukie Floral! There will be a hybrid option for those who want to participate online. More info will be forthcoming.
  - Robert Massey announced that the Linnwood NDA will sponsor a candidates forum at the Ledding Library on October 19. More details coming soon.

### ***Adjournment***

#### **Park Update – September 2022 From Adam Moore**

**Introduction:** Scott, Bowman-Brae, and Balfour Parks will receive new/revised plans thanks to a Federal ARPA (covid stimulus) grant through the State of Oregon. The funding was secured by Representative Karin Power and Senator Kathleen Taylor. Equity is at the heart of the project and our engagement is focused on bring new people into the conversation. Funding has a hard “use it or lose it” deadline. The parks are scheduled to be complete October 2024.

**Past Planning:** Currently two-thirds through planning process. Open House was held on May 1 with 199 people signed in and a total of 81 surveys in person and online. A planning meeting was held on August 4 with 58 people attending part of the meeting. 32 surveys were received in person and 100 surveys were received online. The focus of the open house

**was to review two draft concepts of the parks. The presentation and concepts can be seen on the project website:**

**\*\*\*\*\*.milwaukieoregon.gov/par**

**Feedback Summaries:** Summaries of summer feedback will be discussed at the September 20<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting work session and at the September 28<sup>th</sup> PARB meeting. The PARB meeting will be longer to provide an opportunity to discuss the feedback on all three parks. That discussion is scheduled to begin at 5:30pm. More information on these meetings can be found here: <https://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/meetings> Written summaries will be available in the meeting packets.

**Focus Groups:** Project has also held focus groups with Milwaukie's BIPOC communities in both English and Spanish. We are also hold focus groups and interviews with people with disabilities and their parents/caretakers. Focus groups are focused on the project as a whole and ways for the city to better engage with these communities in the future. Anyone wishing to participate in these conversations should contact the city at: [parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov)

**Playground Design Presentation:** The city has received a lot of feedback and questions about play concepts such as nature-based play, accessible or inclusive play, sensory-based play, and how it relates to more traditional play structures. The city has put together a presentation that will be held on Zoom on September 22 at 5:30pm. The presentation will cover topics like pricing, safety, maintenance and lessons learned from our consultants past projects. More information can be found here: <https://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/meetings>

**Future Planning:** The most important time to get involved in the project will be between October 6 and October 19. During this time the city will host a planning meeting for each of the three parks and surveys on the Engage Milwaukie website: <https://engage.milwaukieoregon.gov/> The Scott Park meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6 from 6:00pm to 7:45pm at the Ledding Library. The presentation will also be provided live on Zoom. Register for the presentation at:

**\*\*\*\*\*.milwaukieoregon.gov/publicworks/scott-park-planning-meeting-0**

**Dinner will be provided for those attending in person. Spanish interpretation will be provided, and all documents will be available in Spanish. Those needing additional translation or interpretation are asked to contact the city at: [parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:parkprojects@milwaukieoregon.gov).**

The October round of engagement will be the last opportunity to provide feedback on the concepts for the park. Postcards about the meetings and surveys will be sent to the full 97222 Zip Code and the City's Urban Growth Boundary. The final plan for the park will be presented in November and the plans will be taken to council for adaptation on December 6.