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SW Gibbs St. Pedestrian Bridge
Citizen Advisory Committee / Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting #1 Summary
Wednesday, January 9, 2008, 10:30 – 12:00
Portland Building, 2nd Floor, Room C

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Citizen Advisory Committee	Technical Advisory Committee
David Snyder	Jody Yates
Jim Gardner	David O'Longaigh
John Perry	Wendy Cawley
Lee Moore	Liz Mahon
Ken Love	Lola Gailey
Frank Phillips	Lisa Elbert
Tom Noguchi	Troy Doss
Erin Kelley	Geraldene Moyle
Cari Froeber	

SUMMARY:

1. Introductions (All)
2. CAC Roles/Responsibilities (Jody)
 - Jody reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the CAC.
 - There was a question about whether area businesses were represented on the CAC. Jody reported that Frank Philips is also considered business contact.
 - Troy Doss also recommended that a BDS design review representative be on the CAC/TAC in order to point out flaws early in the process (due to landmarks and design guidelines that exist within project area). *Follow-up: Jody requested Kara Fiorvanti of Building Development Services (BDS) to join the TAC and she accepted.*
3. Project Background (Jody/David)
 - Jody reviewed background information/history on pedestrian bridge project. The original concept was done by the architecture firm AGPS (Angelil, Graham, Pfenniger, Scholl). Architecture firm ZGF and engineering firm KPFF of Portland were hired to advance the design and project in Fall 2006.
 - Jody briefly reviewed the project prospectus. Current status: has received ODOT approval, federal approval will come after environmental documentation is provided to the federal agency (after 30% design level).
4. Schedule (Jody)
 - Jody reviewed the schedule in the handouts. The strongest date on the schedule is the bid date of August 15, 2009. The contract must be advertised by that date to keep the federal funds.

5. RFP – Consultant Selection (Jody)

- CAC member requested to be on review committee
- Frank Philips and Ken Love identified to jointly serve on review committee
- Question regarding the history of funding – where/how was the amount and budget derived? *Followup: Jody will look into and provide answers for group in March*

6. Future Meeting Dates/Times (All)

- Group decided on meeting third Wednesday of the month from 9:30 – 11:30 AM
- February meeting is canceled. *Follow-up: CAC requested to meet in February to discuss consultant RFP's. CAC will meet. TAC will not meet.*
- Next meeting: March 19, 2008 9:30 – 11:30 AM

7. Questions

- There was a question regarding possible design constraints. Jody reported that ODOT has their own set of restrictions since the bridge crosses over their ROW. There are also historical constraints that were just realized. Jody will be looking into this.
- CAC member had a question about the functionality of the bridge versus design priority? Answer (from both Troy and Jody): The expectations from the Design Commission and the public are high and the intent may be to design and construct a more signature bridge. The function of the bridge shall serve to connect the neighborhood to the waterfront (river) and to increase connectivity and capacity for bike and pedestrian movement.
- Question regarding RACC's requirement for art and whether the Tram % will go toward artwork on the bridge. Answer: RACC has and continues to collect the % art funds from all eligible projects in the SWF and is focusing on creating a larger and cohesive art project and vision for the district.