

## Renton Library Advisory Board



### Meeting Minutes City Hall, Council Conference Room September 18, 2013 ~ 5:30 p.m.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lynne King called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

##### **In Attendance**

Members: Lynne King, Erica Richey, Suzi Ure  
City Staff: Peter Renner, Diane Wagner  
KCLS Staff: Judith Zelter  
Guest: Chip Vincent, City of Renton Community and Economic Development Administrator, Vanessa Dolby, City of Renton Senior Planner

##### **Excused**

Members: Laurie Beden, Catherine Ploue-Smith  
City Staff: Terry Higashiyama

#### **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Suzi Ure, seconded by Erica Richey, to approve the agenda with one amendment, moving item VI to the beginning of the meeting. All were in favor, motion carried, amended agenda approved.

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Suzi Ure made a motion to approve July 2013 minutes with a few minor changes, Erica Richey seconded. All were in favor, motion carried, corrected minutes approved.

#### **IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

#### **V. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

Suzi mentioned she attended the July 31 Hearing Examiner appeal meeting and found it long but interesting and she did speak as a citizen of Renton.

#### **VI. CITY REPORT/ Terry Higashiyama, Peter Renner**

Vanessa Dolby, City of Renton Senior Planner, and Chip Vincent, City of Renton Economic Development Administrator, attended the meeting to discuss the Library at Liberty Park and the permitting process. They stated the City received Site Plan Review approval from the City's Hearing Examiner on August 21, 2013. Along with his decision on the Site Plan the Hearing Examiner denied the SEPA appeal. Following the Hearing Examiner's decision on both the SEPA Appeal and Site Plan Review, a 14 day appeal period began on August 21, 2013 and ended at 5:00 pm on September 4, 2013. No appeals were filed on either the SEPA decision or the Site Plan decision. Following the Hearing Examiner's decision, the City issued a

Shoreline Substantial Development Permit for the Renton Library project. The Shoreline Permit was sent to the Department of Ecology (DOE) and a 21 day appeal period commenced on August 23, 2013 and ended on September 13, 2013. It was confirmed that the Shoreline Permit was not appealed. At this time all appeal periods for the Renton Library at Liberty Park have elapsed without receipt of an appeal, therefore the project is considered to be approved.

Peter discussed the Highlands Library and talked about the multi-party agreement, and said there is some attorney pressure to proceed and have all the details needed for Purchase and Sale Agreement. Peter said the lot-line adjustment is last item. The application was received by the City and is to be reviewed today, September 19. The land purchase should be completed by the end of September and the work on the building plans are moving along. The plans will be reviewed then the project will go out to bid. The developer will demolish the existing housing and it is looking like a Spring start for the construction project.

Peter briefly talked about the Harrington Avenue NE Green Connection Storm Water Project and the surface water improvements North of where library is located on Harrington. Also discussed Architectural / Engineering fee audit and the selection process for the auditor. A Request for Proposal was issued to approximately 100 firms with 23 opening the file and three responding. Of the three, the first choice decided they were not interested and the second choice, Robinson Company, was selected. The audit should be completed by mid to end of November.

#### **VII. KCLS REPORT/JUDITH ZETLER**

Judith discussed a few of the highlighted summer programs including the Lets Read Campaign, Library2Go! van, Spanish Story Time, and some of the adult programs such as Cake Decorating, Citizenship class, Talk Time, and E-Book demonstrations. She advised that the Fairwood Library closed September 15 and opened in a temporary location on September 18. Judith also said the Library2Go! charging station was moved to the Liberty Park Library with the help from Renton Facilities Department.

#### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

Peter commented on the permitting process for the Skyway library and mentioned the permits have been in for review since May and usually takes 10-15 months to approve.

#### **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

Erica was reappointed to the Board by the Renton Council on September 16. Her new term expires in September of 2018.

Catherine met with the superintendent of the Renton Schools and an entry point established. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss cooperatives and library card promotions through the Parent Teacher association (PTA).

Peter briefly talked about the New Market Tax Credits and mentioned the City could possibly benefit from the program and possibly have the park at the new Highlands Library receive benefits from this program.

**X. INFORMATION**

Peter shared information relating to the Commission Election Restriction Information.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Erica Richey and seconded by Suzi Ure to adjourn the September meeting. All were in favor, motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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Signature

**NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS**



**OCTOBER MEETING**

~~Wednesday, October 16, 2013, 5:30 p.m.~~

*\* \* Changed to October 23, 2013 \* \**

Renton City Hall, Council Conference Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

Telephone 425.430.6574



**NOVEMBER MEETING**

Wednesday, November 20, 2013, 5:30 p.m.

**North Highlands Neighborhood Center**

**\* 3000 Northeast 16th Street, Renton, WA 98056 \***

Telephone 425.430.6744

**\*Directions:**

**From I-405 South:**

Take Exit #5 (Park Avenue North/Sunset Boulevard NE). Turn left onto Sunset Boulevard NE. Turn left onto Edmonds Avenue NE. Go two blocks to NE 16th Street and turn right. The park is two blocks on the left.

**From I-405 North:**

Take Exit #5 (Park Avenue North/Sunset Boulevard NE). Turn right on Sunset Boulevard NE. Turn left onto Edmonds Avenue NE. Go two blocks to NE 16th Street and turn right. The park is two blocks on the left.