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Meeting Minutes October 13, 2022
SOUTH GATEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

SGNA met via Zoom due to Covid-19 pandemic.

Board Members

Present

Jake Krishnan Chair
Vice chair

Dave McKenna Secretary
Jerry Sachtjen Treasurer
Mike Hughes
John Ledger
Kathleen Lempka

Absent

Glenn Baly

Community members:

Dynee Medlock
Deb Cozzie
Wildwood/Mahonia John Miller
Deanna Gwyn
Lisa
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Guests

Jackie Leung, City Councilor, Ward 4
Vanessa Nordyke, City Councilor, Ward 7
AJ Burke, Salem Police

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jake Krishnan. Attendance taken, quorum declared present. Approved minutes for July meeting.

2. Police Officer Report

Police Officer present to give report. Posted on chat because he had to leave early.

We are having a Halloween dress rehearsal on October 29th from 3pm to 5pm at the salem police department. This is a Halloween safety event.

Body worn camera program is kicking off soon and will be implemented for all officers by the end of the calendar year.

The transparency portal is continuing to be worked on the City of Salem police website. To access it, utilize the tab “building trust.”

3. City Councilor Report

Vanessa Nordyke gave report.

A Community Improvement 10-year Bond will be on the November ballot. I encourage you to vote yes on it. (See attached SalemCommunity Improvement Bond 2022.pptx) Is Measure 24-474 on the ballot.

To summarise:

It does not increase the tax rate. It is equivalent to the previous 10-year bond tax rate. The costs cover \$300M which includes:

Streets and Sidewalks	52.3%	\$157M	
Park Upgrades	9.5%	\$28.4M	
Affordable Housing and Library Branches	5.8%	\$17.5M	
Public Safety	32.3%	\$97M	
Civic Center			\$39.5M
Fire Equipment and Stations			\$26M
Tech and Cyber Security			\$17.6M
Future Fire Stations			\$14.0M

Friday, November 4, from 6-7 PM at the Main Library Anderson Conference Room there will be a Town Hall Meeting with Venessa Nordyke.

Jackie Leung gave report.

Marion County Voter Pamphlet is out, pg. 50-54

There will be a City Volunteer Recognition at the Salem Library Monday, October 17th from 5 - 7:30 PM.

There has been an amendment to SRC Chapter 97 making housing status a protected right in the City of Salem.

There will a Council Work Session November 21st at 6 PM.

There is development starting at the intersection of Kuebler and Battle Creek. Several fast-food joints are being constructed.

Several residents reported a gas smell yesterday around Baxter SE and Pringle SE. It was found to be from a concrete treatment used at construction in that area. They will be advised to report the use of this additive if it is to be used I the future.

Barnes and Noble Bookstore will be opening at the Willamette Town Center.

October 29th the Police will be having a Halloween Safety Session.

A question was raised about posting signs, because some Salem Senior signs were removed by the police. Jackie said that the requirements are listed on the web page :

<https://www.cityofsalem.net/business/signs/apply-for-a-temporary-sign-permit>

Note that lawn signs do not require a permit, but must meet city requirements and must not be placed in city right-of-ways.

4. New Business

Volunteers are requested for speed reader signs to be placed in areas around the neighborhood where cars have been speeding.

Mosaic got approval from the City on a zone change for their property that includes a combination of MU-2 and MU-3 zoning. They have been limited to 3 drive-thrus on the MU-3 portion and have a cap of 25,00 vehicles entering the site in a day.

There has been no resolution on in-person meetings for neighborhood associations due to liability insurance issues. SGNA will continue their Zoom meetings for another six months.

A City Traffic Engineer will be available at next month's meeting to discuss the problems at the intersection of Liberty and Mildred.

John Miller recommended that the SGNA request safety changes to the sharp curve on Barnes Road be placed in the City's CIP.

A developer has been closing a section of Battle Creek Road north of Landau for installation of storm drains.

5. Adjournment.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 13th at 6:45 PM.