

**LENTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (LNA)
DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017
GENERAL MEETING (ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS)
Lents Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 8835 S.E. Woodstock
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Minutes Approved _____**

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Michael Collins (Vice Chairperson); JoLynne Cooper-Nearing (Public Safety Chairperson); Ray Hites (Treasurer); Judy Low (Chairperson); Cora Potter (Land Use Chairperson); Joanne Rees (Luchini) (Secretary); Autumn West (At-Large Board Member); and Jennifer Young (At-Large Board Member).

Guests (in alphabetical order): Paul Leistner (Neighborhood Association Program Director - Office of Neighborhood Involvement) and Victor Salinas (Executive Director – East Portland Neighborhood Office (EPNO)).

Attendees: approximately 192 LNA members

The General Meeting (Annual Meeting and Elections) was filmed by LNA Member Robert Schultz, using Open Signal equipment.

Public Safety Chairperson JoLynne Cooper-Nearing, who was also the Nominating Committee Chairperson and Board Liaison to the Nominating Committee, officiated.

There were no nominations from the floor.

Board Candidates were given the opportunity to speak for 2 minutes each.

At-Large Board Member Candidate (1-year term): Amina Wilson

At-Large Board Member Candidate (2-year term) (choose two):

Barbara Bader

Erik Benson

Robert Schultz

Jason Umtuch

Transportation Chairperson: Christo Brehm; Judy Low

Land Use Chairperson: Char Pennie; Cora Potter

Chairperson: David Potts; Sabina Urdes

Annual Financial Report – to be attached as an addendum by Treasurer Hites

Annual Activities Report (Potter)

This is a summary report of the annual activities of Lents Neighborhood Association between October 1, 2016 and September 26, 2017. This report is a high-level compilation of activities and outcomes and is not a detailed account of the many organizing and administrative tasks required to achieve these outcomes:

- Published an article in the East Portland News to increase outreach and participation.
- Represented Lents in the review of applications and selection of projects for Prosper Portland's Community Livability Grants.
- Updated the LNA website.
- Established a Livability Committee.
- Held a “Town Hall” event that was attended by the Mayor and three of four City Commissioners. The City responded positively. Some examples of concrete actions and policy changes are:
 - The installation of “no overnight parking” signs around Lents Park which has curbed derelict RV parking around the Park significantly.
 - The creation of a distressed RV policy and impound program that is being enforced by Portland Police Bureau. This has resulted in over 50 distressed and derelict RVs being removed from the Lents area.
 - Increased patrols by Portland Police Bureau along the 205 multi-use path and regular warrant checks and social services referrals being conducted in high-impact camps on the 205 multi-use path.
- Adopted an anti-hate speech statement in response to the harassment of a local Latino congregation that meets in Lents.
- Conducted a community outreach process to create a concept design for a new Lents Park Pavilion. Two proposed concepts are currently being presented to the community for additional input and refinement.
- Adopted social media guidelines.
- Reviewed 10 Land Use cases and facilitated developer presentations by Asian Health & Services Center, Lisac Brothers Construction and

- Trimet for major developments.
- Submitted a letter to Portland Parks & Recreation and Commissioner Fritz addressing the impacts of illegal camping and requesting additional support from Parks. As a result, 4 additional rangers were funded through the 2017-18 City budget process.
 - Secured a grant for and held a neighborhood-wide cleanup event in May of 2017.
 - Established the Equity & Inclusion Subcommittee which conducted outreach at events throughout the summer of 2017 and is currently working on recommendations to the Board to increase participation by people of color, people with disabilities, older adults and youth.
 - Represented Lents during the selection process for the new Chief of Police. This role was required to remain confidential until the selection results were announced by the Mayor in August.
 - Sponsored and provided volunteer support to the Oregon Walks Lents Founder's Fair event.

Elections Results:

Chairperson:

Sabina Urdes, 129 votes (69% of votes cast)

Transportation Chairperson:

Christo Brehm, 127 votes (71% of votes cast)

Land Use Chairperson:

Cora Potter, 132 votes (71% of votes cast)

At-Large Board Member (2-year):

Jason Umtuch, 115 votes (34% of votes cast)

Barbara Bader, 102 votes (30% of votes cast)

At-Large Board Member (1-year):

Amina Wilson, 144 votes (92% of votes cast)

Other Candidates and write-ins:

Chairperson:

David Potts, 58 votes (31%)

Jacqueline Trembly, 1 vote

Transportation Chairperson:

Judy Low, 52 votes (29%)

Robert Santangelo, 1 vote

Land Use Chairperson:

Char Pennie, 54 votes (29%)

David Potts, 1 vote

At-Large Board Member (2-year):

Robert Schultz, 73 votes (21%)

Erik Benson, 52 votes (15%)

At-Large Board Member (1-year):

Erik Benson, 3 votes (2%)

Douglas Morrow, 2 votes (1%)

Tyler Hardin, 1 vote

Robert Schulz, 1 vote

Gary Primack, 1 vote

Lee Rimar, 1 vote

Jonna Berman, 1 vote

Jennifer Young, 1 vote

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Draft Minutes transcribed by Joanne Rees (Luchini), LNA Secretary

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