SE Uplift Land Use and Transportation Committee Meeting Notes
January 28, 2013

Committee Members Present: Tim Askin (BCA), Linda Nettekoven (HAND), Lew Scholl (MNA), Terry Griffiths (WNA), Cliff Hutchinson (RNA), Don Gardner (LNA), Nicole Green (MSA), Aaron Sorenson (Foster-Powell), Nicole Davenport (NTNA)

Guests: Mary Ann Schwab, John Cole (BPS), John Green, Bill Hoelzer, Kimberly Koehler, Clark Nelson

SE Uplift Staff: Bob Kellett

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

Potential Regulation Changes to Hospitals and Colleges Development
John Cole from Bureau of Planning and Sustainability discussed process underway to look at how colleges and hospitals are regulated in terms of land use. Both types of institutions have experienced significant job growth in recent years. Through the Comprehensive Plan and over the course of the next two years, the city will have a working group to look at whether the underlying zoning of these types of institutions should be changed from residential to something else. This might allow for development to occur without the institutions and neighbors coming together for a master plan update every 10 years. John stressed that the existing boundaries would stay the same. He said he would keep the committee updated and involved in the discussion.

Demolition/Remodeling Policies and Fixes
Kimberly Koehler and Clark Nelson from the Eastmoreland Neighborhood Association Land Use Committee discussed their concerns with a recent demolition that occurred in the neighborhood. The contractor basically demolished the house over the course of a weekend without following health and safety rules. Concerns have been raised over: 1) the lack of clarity about what constitutes a remodel and what is a demolition 2) lack of notification to neighbors 3) insufficient enforcement of health and environmental regulations 4) the demolishing of houses so that lots can be split along historical plats.

The committee discussed these concerns and passed the following motion: “The SE Uplift Land Use and Transportation Committee requests that the City of Portland develop a clear and objective definition of what is a demolition and what is a remodel.

Legislative Agenda Update
Bob updated the group about some issues of interest that will be discussed in Salem during the 2013 legislative session. Among them: an effort to allow pedestrians to walk on low volume, low speed streets such as the ones envisioned in the Out of the Mud program; policies related to affordable housing and inclusionary zoning; and regulations of problem liquor establishments.
**Transportation Subcommittee Update**
Bob informed the group that the SE Uplift Board has formally recognized the transportation subcommittee. The subcommittee will report to the Land Use and Transportation committee. It will meet monthly ahead of the Land Use and Transportation committee meetings at 5:30-6:45pm and will focus on such things as PBOT budgeting, public involvement, and transportation issues of concern to the coalition.

**Comprehensive Plan Update**
John updated the committee about the status of the Comprehensive Plan Discussion Draft. An open house will be held on Feb. 28 5:30-8:00pm at Franklin High School. Bob and Matt Wickstrom are also working on putting together a learning and feedback session in March. The group discussed ways to respond to the discussion draft and decided to have Bob put together a list of “hot button” items and how they are/aren’t addressed in the document. He will do so in advance of the February meeting.

Next meeting: Because of President’s Day, the next committee meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, February 27 7-9pm.