

## West Edge Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes July 25, 2016 6:00pm at Friends of Waterfront Seattle Space

- Meeting was called to order by President Jo VanDerSnick at 6:03 PM
- Jo thanked our hosts, Friends of Waterfront Seattle, and did member introductions
- M/S/P unanimous approval of the May 2016 minutes
- Linda Mitchell presented an update on the Department of Neighborhoods changes that will de-fund the District Council system. She does not expect these changes to directly affect WENA.
- Jo announced that WENA is looking for a member willing to reach out to business partners to provide food and refreshments at meetings, and thanked Linda Mitchell for doing this outreach over the last year.

### Speakers:

- **Newton Breiter** of Lake Union Partners presented on the Eitel Building and Standard Building. The Eitel Building at 2<sup>nd</sup> & Pike is currently unfit for occupation above the retail levels. The redesign would retain the historic façade and entry, and develop the property to be a boutique hotel with a ground-level restaurant and added penthouse level with set-back. The Standard Building (1012 1<sup>st</sup> Ave) is an historic building that housed a former furniture company. The upper façade (although not entryway) are original. The building will house creative office space, with restaurant space at the bottom. A penthouse floor (with water-view balcony) will be added.
- **Charles Finkel** of Pike Brewing Co. presented on the Post Alley Project. He highlighted improvements to Post Alley Park, adjacent to Ross Manor. Pike Brewing and Seattle Housing Authority (which operates Ross Manor) entered into a public-private partnership to improve the park. He thanked Ross Manor resident Wendy Mayo for her extensive help. Additional wildflower plantings will be added. Finkel requested ideas and volunteers for beautifying and publicizing Post Alley. Possible future plans include eliminating vehicle traffic from Post Alley and adding a sculpture garden to Post Alley Park.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.