

West Edge Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2016 6:00 PM at Friends of Waterfront Seattle Space

Meeting was called to order by President Jo VanDerSnick at 6:05 PM

- Jo thanked our hosts, Friends of Waterfront Seattle, and asked attendees to introduce themselves.
- She thanked members for their patience with the cancelation of the September meeting, due to a conflict with the first presidential debate.
- M/S/P unanimous approval of the August 2016 minutes.

Speakers:

- **Crystal Dixon** from the Pike Place Market Foundation presented an update on the MarketFront expansion. Crystal showed images of construction progress and talked about the neighborhood center, business expansions, and affordable senior housing in the new facility. She encouraged visitors to check out more at PikeUp.org, and took a few questions on housing scope/availability and fundraising progress.
- **Tom Hauger**, Manager of Comprehensive & Regional Planning for City of Seattle, spoke to the group about the City's 2035 Comprehensive Plan. The plan was approved by the City Council and will be signed by the Mayor on Friday. He gave an overview of recent changes, including growth, multimodal transportation expansions, and the affordable housing crisis. New goals include directing growth to Urban Centers/Villages, building on transit investments, emphasizing equity and social justice concerns, expanding public engagement, and making the Plan more accessible. He answered questions about family housing and the effect of HALA on Downtown.
- **Gary Johnson**, Center City Strategy Coordinator for the City of Seattle, presented on growth and mobility in downtown Seattle. He presented a history of zoning changes downtown. He also presented on the Center City Mobility Plan (now One Center City), emphasizing the need for multimodal transit. The One Center City initiative is a joint effort of SDOT, Sound Transit, King County, and the Downtown Seattle Association (DSA). The Advisory Group that has been convened will look at short and mid term transportation challenges and public realm impacts. Advisory group meetings are open to the public and info on location, dates/times will be published on the website soon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.