NWDA Safety & Livability Committee 2023 Work Plan

Mission Statement

Maintain a healthy and vibrant Northwest District via neighbors and businesses working together to promote clean, safe, and peaceful streets and public spaces through advocacy and action.

Committee Members

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Schedule & Venue

Six PM every second Tuesday. Virtual meetings are generally hosted through the NWDA Zoom account but the meeting may be hybrid or in-person as technology support is available, with one month advance notice.

- 1. Represent the Northwest District Association at the Public Safety Action Coalition (PSAC), NWNW and S&L Committees at neighboring districts. Participate in its unsheltered persons counts, clean-up projects and advocacy efforts.
 - a. Share information from the PSAC with SLC committee members, the NWDA Board and neighbors.
 - b. As appropriate, and with approval of NWDA, collaborate with or lend support and advocacy to community safety efforts of advisory groups and coalitions.
- 2. Work with the communications committee to increase the visibility of the PDX Reporter to Neighborhood residents and business and support its use for reporting trash, graffiti and other livability concerns as a "see something-do something" engagement strategy.
 - a. Assist the communication committee with links and help with navigation to the Metro Rid database, city tent count database, and the police crime reporting database (and potentially others).
 - b. Clarify the appropriate contacts for Mental Health vs Substance User vs other types of disturbance or distress so that we can educate the neighborhood and help community members identify who to call when they see a person who is disturbing the peace or who is in distress. Sharon Meieran update.
- 3. Continue monitoring garbage collection in the neighborhood and regularly report concerns to the Public Trash Collection Manager, City of Portland.
 - a. Identify potential sites for additional receptacles that could be paid for either by NWDA Parking or the city.
 - b. Support the SOLVE and NWDA Neighborhood clean-ups; improve visibility of neighborhood events.
 - c. Support organizing targeted neighborhood clean ups with Adopt One Block's partnership.
- 4. Build an ongoing communication process with the PPB Neighborhood Response Team (NRT) and identify a current specific Officer tasked to our neighborhood. NRT is currently Sergeants Terrey and Cioeta who have teams of four officers in two details.

- 5. Evaluate the efficacy and identify ways to implement useful Good Neighbor Agreement agreements the address use and upkeep of properties, including COVID-era code variances that allowed expanded use of outdoor facilities.
- 6. Engage with property owners and business operators to find solutions to specific problem locations that experience ongoing issues with littering, graffiti, intoxication, loitering, public urination/defecation, vandalism, etc. Explore creating and publicizing a bad actors list on an ongoing basis. Promote working with city staff experts to engage owners to make property improvements to address the issues enumerated above.
- 7. Emergency Preparedness:

Promote Basic Earthquake Emergency Communication Nodes (BEECNs) group training events in the NW District. Promote Do1Thing or similar "small steps" emergency preparedness program. Evaluate the option of working with local NETs to organize a community event.

8. Support productive use of the area under I-405 ramp, like proposed dog park. Add voice to advocacy for this.