



Clean and Safe Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday August 8, 2019 1:00 – 2:00 pm
549 Congress St.

Committee members present: Sue-Ellen McClain, David Davis, Neil Reiter

Absent: Bob Keegan, Krista Cole

Guests: Dawn Homa, George Rheault

Staff present: Casey Gilbert

Minute 1. Welcome: Sue-Ellen McClain called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present

Minute 2. Review and acceptance of July 11th meeting minutes: David Davis made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Neil Reiter seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously accepted.

- Neil Reiter asked about the See, Click, Fix app and whether it is effective. Committee members provided an overview of the program and explained how the City monitors the requests and creates work orders to respond to the requests. Amy Geren, Program Director, also reports on the type of requests monthly to this committee. Overall, it is seen as an effective tool.

Minute 3. Review monthly reports from Program Director – Casey reviewed Amy’s July reports. The reports continue to be useful to the committee and Amy was recognized for her efforts.

- Committee members asked about: the difference between loitering and layouts and art sales violation. Casey explained the local ordinance about street artists and will follow up with Amy about the difference between loitering and layouts.

Minute 4. Review Panhandling Advocacy letter: Casey provided an overview of what Portland Downtown has done, including the Helpful Community Resources Card, Safety Meetings with the Police Chief and City Manager, and the Peer Outreach Program in partnership with Amistad. The committee can discuss possible next steps at an upcoming meeting this fall. Committee members discussed different aspects of the letter and offered initial suggestions.

Minute 5. Finalize plans for September Expansion Area Event

- Food and games
- Finalize activity for stakeholder feedback
- Field trip to Pleasant Street Park

Committee members discussed the goal of the event – it should be more educational. Emails will be gathered so that we can send the Strategic Plan survey in order to gather more specific feedback. The focus should be on getting to know the property owners and residents in a more personal way. Any feedback gathered through personal conversations can be reported out at the October committee meeting. A table will be set-up with information about the organization, a sign-in sheet, and a comment box. Neil will send Casey some ideas for an informational card to share at the event.

Committee members and guests walked to Pleasant Street Park to view the location of the event, which will be from 4:00pm to 6:00pm on September 12th with a ran date of September 19th.

Sue-Ellen McClain adjourned the meeting at 2:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Casey Gilbert, Recorder.