# SUNNY SIDE Neighborhood News March 2019

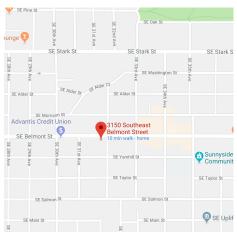
# McGuirl Designs to Present Plans for New Five Story, 45 Unit, Residential Building at 3150 SE Belmont Street

By Matt Lembo

Please join us at our next Neighborhood Association meeting, Tuesday, March 5th, 7:00 p.m. at SE Uplift, 3534 SE Main Street, for an informational presentation by McGuirl Designs & Architecture.

Casey McGuirl will present plans to build a five story, 45 unit residential building at 3150 SE Belmont Street, including a site plan and building elevations, and will be available to answer questions regarding the proposal following the presentation. The purpose of this discussion is to share information between the neighborhood and McGuirl Design regarding details of the proposal, visual and exterior design features, and how it may impact the neighborhood, not to determine whether or not it should be built.





This location is zoned CM2 d (MU-U): Commercial Mixed Use 2 (CM2) with a Design Zone Overlay (d) located in a Mixed Use - Urban Center (MU-U) area of the Comprehensive Plan.

[1] The CM2 zone is a medium-scale, commercial mixed use zone intended for sites in a variety of centers and corridors, in other mixed use areas that are well served by frequent transit, or within larger areas zoned for multi-dwelling development. Buildings in this zone are generally expected to be up to four stories, except in locations where bonuses allow up to five stories.

[2] The Design (d) overlay zone promotes the conservation, enhancement, and continued vitality of areas of the City with special scenic, architectural, or cultural value.

This is achieved through the creation of design districts and applying the Design Overlay Zone as part of community planning projects, development of design guidelines for each district, and by requiring design review or compliance with the Community Design Standards. In addition, design review or compliance with the Community Design Standards ensures that certain types of infill development will be compatible with the neighborhood and enhance the area.

[3] Mixed Use — Urban Center. This designation is intended for areas that are close to the Central City and within Town Centers where urban public services are available or planned including access to high-capacity transit, very frequent

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#### MEETING SCHEDULE

#### **SNA General & Board Meetings**

Thursday, March 14th, 7-9 p.m. @ SE Uplift, 3534 SE Main St

#### **Safety and Livability Committee**

Tuesday, March 5th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. @ Sunnyside Community House

#### **Land Use & Transportation Committee**

Tuesday, March 5th, 7:30-8:30 p.m. @ Sunnyside Community House

#### Graffiti Clean-up

2nd & 4th Saturdays, weather permitting. Call 503-235-5047

#### **Sunnyside Foot Patrol**

Every Monday, 7 p.m.Meet at Sunnyside School basketball courts



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bus service, or streetcar service. The designation allows a broad range of commercial and employment uses, public services, and a wide range of housing options. Areas within this designation are generally mixed use and very urban in character. Development will be pedestrian oriented with a strong emphasis on design and street level activity, and will range from low to mid rise in scale. The range of zones and development scale associated with this designation are intended to allow for more intense development in core areas of centers and corridors and near transit stations, while providing transitions adjacent residential areas. corresponding zones are Commercial Mixed Use 1 (CM1), Commercial Mixed Use 2 (CM2), Commercial Mixed Use 3 (CM3), and Commercial Employment (CE). This designation is generally accompanied by a design overlay zone.

You can find more information on this location at portlandmaps.com. If you are unable to attend this meeting or would like to submit written comments or questions regarding this proposal please email them to board@sunnysideportland.org and we will do our best to address them during the discussion.

[1],[2] https://portlandmaps.com/bps/zoning

[3] https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/ article/581372

## Sunnyside Foot Patrol **Improves Neighborhood** Livability Through Advocacy. **Reporting and Persistence**

By K.C. Hoffert

The Sunnyside Foot Patrol began in September of 2017 as a response to neighbors growing concerns with safety and livability issues affecting our neighborhood. Since then, the group has been hard at work volunteering with weekly Monday evening community foot patrols, reporting crime/livability issues when they arise, litter pick up, and connecting neighbors to city resources where available. Like an organized Neighborhood Watch program, the focus of our neighborhood Foot Patrol is for neighbors to watch out for each other and to keep an eye on problem areas in our community. The motive is to be visible, walk the streets and help compile accurate

information that can lead to action.

Our efforts have had a positive impact on specific hot-spots that we have identified in the last year and a half. In October, the foot patrol assisted in the clean-up of an abandoned camp near the now vacant Pho Dalat on 39th and Main street. Until very recently, this area had been chronically problematic. Neighbors regularly reported garbage, human waste and bio-hazards/ needles. Thanks to the efforts of the foot patrol, and City and Metro resources, this area was cleaned up less than 24 hours after being identified as a concern.

A few safety tips to consider:

Get to know your neighbors. All of them. If you are comfortable, share your contact information so it's available if needed. Knowing who lives around you matters.

Be aware of your surroundings at all times. Stay off your cell phone and pay attention to what is happening around you.

Follow your instincts. If a situation or person feels unsafe, lean into your inclination and offer space.

Never leave valuables in your car, lock the doors, use a club to secure from theft. Stow away non-removable items in a nonvisible space if possible. Many crimes happen because the opportunity is there. Avoid giving thieves a reason to steal by removing items from your car. In 2017, the Sunnyside neighborhood was #2 in the city for auto theft. (Laurelhurst, just next door, was #1) On a recent evening, I was surprised to see how many cars on our side streets had backpacks and other items that may be of value sitting out in the open.

Report crime and livability concerns by logging onto the PDX reporter website or app (https://pdxreporter.org/), or by calling non-emergency 503-823-3333. Always call 911 in the event of an emergency.

Please feel free to join our group anytime, as we always enjoy connecting with new neighbors. Everyone is welcome. Monday nights, 7:00pm. We meet by the Sunnyside school basketball courts to check in, and then walk for an hour throughout the neighborhood. Sometimes we grab a beer afterwards. Please wear weather appropriate clothing and bring a flashlight.



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# **Park Watch Organization Training Rescheduled** for April 2nd, 6:30pm at **Sunnyside Community House**

By Sean Watkins

The Park Watch training session originally scheduled for February 9th will now be held on Tuesday, April 2nd, from 6:30 - 8:30pm. We will be gathering at the Sunnyside Community House at 3520 SE Yamhill to create an active Watch Group for the Sunnyside School Park.

The training, offered through the Office of Community & Civic Life in conjunction with the City of Portland's Crime Prevention Program, is structured under the same

model as our current Neighborhood Watch program trainings. The focus and purpose for this group organizing is to work together to bring positive activities and increased livability to parks throughout the City.

This training is also open for those who do not wish to join the group but would like to only receive the valuable public safety training that comes along with it.

Training material covered includes but is not limited to:

- Calling 9-1-1 and Non-Emergency
- Being a good witness/reporter
- How to work with your community
- The difference between police and park rangers
- Reporting in Portland Parks
- Utilizing your organized group for emergency preparedness
- Accessing city tools and resources to increase livability as a community

This training is structured to help communities organize under a common goal of bettering their community. It is not intended to function as a community problem-solving forum. This training is tightly scheduled to respect the time and participation of all our partners and community members involved. It is a great start to bringing the organized community closer together to make positive change in the City of Portland.

## Second Working Session on Sunnyside Community House Good Neighbor Agreement Includes Partial Working Draft

By Matt Lembo

It was very encouraging to see some new faces at the second GNA-focused meeting of the Safety and Livability Committee last Tuesday, February 5th. We spent the hour reviewing a draft outline of the Goals and Principles section of the agreement and sharing perspectives on safety, empathy and inclusion. Some great suggestions were made regarding how to improve the draft language as well as additional educational and services-based resources we can reach out to as the process continues.

Thanks to everyone for their participation

in this process and please encourage anyone you may know who might be interested in joining us to do so at our next meeting on Tuesday, March 5th.

#### Working Draft

#### **Core Principles**

- Our neighborhood hosts a wide and varied array of people and activities and this work is about making the community a better place for all of them.
- 2. Human rights apply to all humans.
- Conditions in the neighborhood, especially on the street, sidewalks and public spaces, affect everyone in the neighborhood on a daily basis.
- 4. Everyone has a right to personal safety.
- 5. Everyone has a right to access services to meet their basic needs.
- Everyone has a right to peaceful enjoyment of their property and public spaces.
- Everyone has a right to their opinion and deserves a voice in these conversations.

#### Goals

- Reduce crime, especially drug use in public / publicly visible places
- 2. Prevent calls to city agencies and drains on city resources
- 3. Promote personal responsibility
- Promote a sense of civic participation, especially when it comes to public spaces
- 5. Encourage long term participation in this agreement
- Reduce litter and obstructions on streets and sidewalks
- Affirm the Parties' commitment to civil conduct, communication, and accountability to each other.
- 8. Create an open and productive dialogue between all parties.

# Don't Get Caught with Your Snow Pants Down!

By Jan Molinaro & Glenn Devitt

Were you prepared before and during our

February snow event? If so, the kind of emergency preparation that you did is very similar to what we all need to do to prepare for other weather-related events throughout the year. Take advantage of the calm before the storm to invite us into your homes and let us help you and your neighbors think through this together. There is no charge, and we bring you the best materials to help you get started. We generally require 60-90 minutes of your time.

In the emergency preparedness world we ask ourselves three questions:

Do you know what to do to be prepared two minutes after a disaster? Do you know what to do two hours after a disaster? Do you know what to do two weeks after a disaster?

Please see our Sunnyside Prepared! updated website for details. Everything you need to know to schedule a workshop with us is on our site. SunnysidePrepared. com

### 2020 U.S. Census Seeking to Fill Supervisory & Non-Supervisory Positions in Multnomah County

By Janet Penfield, Recruiting Assistant, U.S. Census Bureau

Every ten years the U.S. Census Bureau is responsible for conducting the nationwide census. While the next census will be taken in 2020, the Census Bureau is recruiting now to fill important temporary positions.

These are part time evening and weekend jobs, with very flexible hours. In Multnomah County, they pay \$18-\$20 an hour.

There is one application portal for multiple job positions. Apply online at www.2020census.gov/jobs.. This site includes How to Apply, Job Details, Eligibility Requirements, Timelines, FAQs, and more. Call 1-855-862-2020 for more information.

The Census helps us get our fair share of the more than \$675 billion per year in federal funds spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other vital programs.



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