

# SUNNYSIDE

## *Neighborhood News*

### February 2020

#### Upcoming SNA Sponsored Presentations and Events

*By Matt Lembo*

Following an excellent and most collaborative January General and Board meeting, wherein many neighbors volunteered to pitch in and organize, there is quite a bit going on in the next few months. Please keep an eye on our website and this newsletter for details as they develop.

Our next SNA meeting (February 13th at 7pm at SE Uplift) will feature most excellent representatives from not one, but TWO of our dear city's essential operational agencies. **Debbie Castleton of Portland Environmental Services** will give a presentation on the upcoming **Sunnyside South Green Street Sewer Project**, due to begin construction next Spring (2021, not 2020). **Karla Kingsley from Portland Bureau of Transportation** will give a presentation and lead a brief discussion on the upcoming **repainting and repaving of Hawthorne Blvd from 24th to 50th**, due to begin Summer 2021. PBOT is also seeking interested residents to participate in future workshops and discussions on how PBOT can improve safety and make other adjustments to better serve people and businesses in this area.

Following his participation in our October discussion on housing and homelessness, **Portland Police Bureau Central Precinct Commander Mike Krantz** will be offering a two hour presentation and discussion on policing and criminal justice policy on March 5th,

7 p.m. at the Sunnyside Environmental School Auditorium.

Moving into April we are in the midst of organizing an **Oregon House District 42 Primary Candidate Forum featuring Representative Rob Nosse and his challenger, Paige Kriesman**. Both candidates have agreed to participate and we are in the process of figuring out a date and time. If there are any specific questions or topics you would like the candidates to address, please feel free to email us at [board@sunnysideportland.org](mailto:board@sunnysideportland.org).

And finally, thanks to the efforts of several dedicated board members and neighborhood volunteers, get ready for the return of **Neighborhood Cleanup Day at St. Stephen's Church**. This event is an opportunity for anyone in the neighborhood to safely and conscientiously unburden themselves of some of their unwanted possessions. Sponsored by Metro Waste Management and SE Uplift, folks can rest easy knowing that used, but serviceable, items will find a new home, recyclables will be properly sorted, and other waste will be handled in an environmentally, economically, and socially responsible manner.

#### Portland Adjustment Committee Seeks Volunteers

*By Douglas Hardy, Bureau of Development Services*

The Bureau of Development Services

is currently recruiting people to fill two vacancies on the seven-member Portland Adjustment Committee. One of the vacancies is in the "Public at Large" position; the second vacancy is in the "Urban Design, Architecture or Landscape Architecture" position. For the "Public at Large" position, we are specifically looking for someone who is a neighborhood activist – someone who is, or has been, involved with a neighborhood association or district coalition. If you or anyone you know fits this bill, please encourage them to submit

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#### MEETINGS & EVENTS

##### Safety & Livability Committee

Tuesday Feb 4, 6:30pm - 7:30pm  
@ SE Uplift

##### SNA Board & General Meeting

Thursday, Feb 13, 7-9pm  
@ SE Uplift

##### Safety & Livability Committee

Tuesday, Mar 3, 6:30pm - 7:30pm  
@ SE Uplift

##### Q&A With PPD Commander Mike Krantz

Thursday, Mar 5, 7-9pm  
@ Sunnyside Environmental School

##### SNA Board & General Meeting

Thursday, Mar 12, 7-9pm  
@ SE Uplift

SUNNYSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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an application.

The application, as well as more information about the Adjustment Committee, can be found at the following link: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/BDS/article/745560>. If you have any questions about the Committee or vacancy, please feel free to contact me by email or phone (douglas.hardy@portlandoregon.gov, 503-823-7816)

## Reader Response to No New Policy For Camping On Private Property Proposed During Design Guideline Update

*By Sean Watkins*

The January, 2020 Sunnyside Neighborhood News article entitled "No New Policy For Camping On Private Property Proposed During Design Guideline Update" written by the Portland's Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) Communications Specialist Eden Dabbs stated that "Recent media has caused some confusion about proposed new design guidelines for larger buildings in Portland", which talks about offering places for people to stop and rest, be welcome, pause, sit, and interact. Eden Dabbs then later states that "the proposed new guidelines do not include any new policies about camping on private property". I have objections with these two confusing pieces of information.

The first objection I have is with Eden Dabbs's characterization of the ensuing confusion about the proposal as being caused by the media, and not being caused by BPS itself. The second is with the statement about no new policies about camping, which directly contradicts Commissioner Oriana Magnera's stated position on camping.

It was Commissioner Oriana Magnera, the BPS commissioner, who argued that "given Portland's housing crisis, buildings should include design features that would allow people to pitch tents and sleep if necessary". Commissioner Magnera's own words make it impossible to accept that "Recent Media" are causing any confusion here. If, in fact, these words did not mean what

Commissioner Magnera said should be included in future building plans, then the commission needs to clarify it, and not blame the media for reporting her position in the Willamette Week's article, published December 18, 2019.

Regardless of whether Commissioner Magnera's words make it through the City Commission's final vote, and whether it is a good or bad idea, BPS should take ownership of its own definition of what "rest and be welcome entails", including Magnera's stated goal of "leaving the language a little bit more vague, and leav[ing] it up to interpretation."

Who is causing the confusion here? Portland's Bureau of Planning and Sustainability Communications Specialist needs to do better.

## Upcoming Events at Belmont Library

*By Jenny Whittier*

Community Benefit Workshop: Ready to Own a Home?

Do you think you're ready to become a homeowner? Come learn useful information that is specific to our local market. We will tackle common home-buying myths and address frequently asked questions. You will gain a better understanding of credit, how much you can afford, upfront costs, and what to expect during the buying process.

Wednesday, February 5, 6-7:30 pm  
(registration open)

### Felted Soap

Soap with a felted cover is an easy project that makes a great gift. We will teach you how to use a bit of wool fiber, water, and gentle manipulation to create a soap bar with a built-in washcloth that lathers and exfoliates. Supplies included.

Sunday, February 9, 10:30 am-12 pm  
(registration open)

### Healthier Living for Your Brain and Body

For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to

provide insights into how to optimize our physical and cognitive health as we age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement — and how to use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging.

Saturday, February 22, 4-5 pm  
(registration opens February 1)

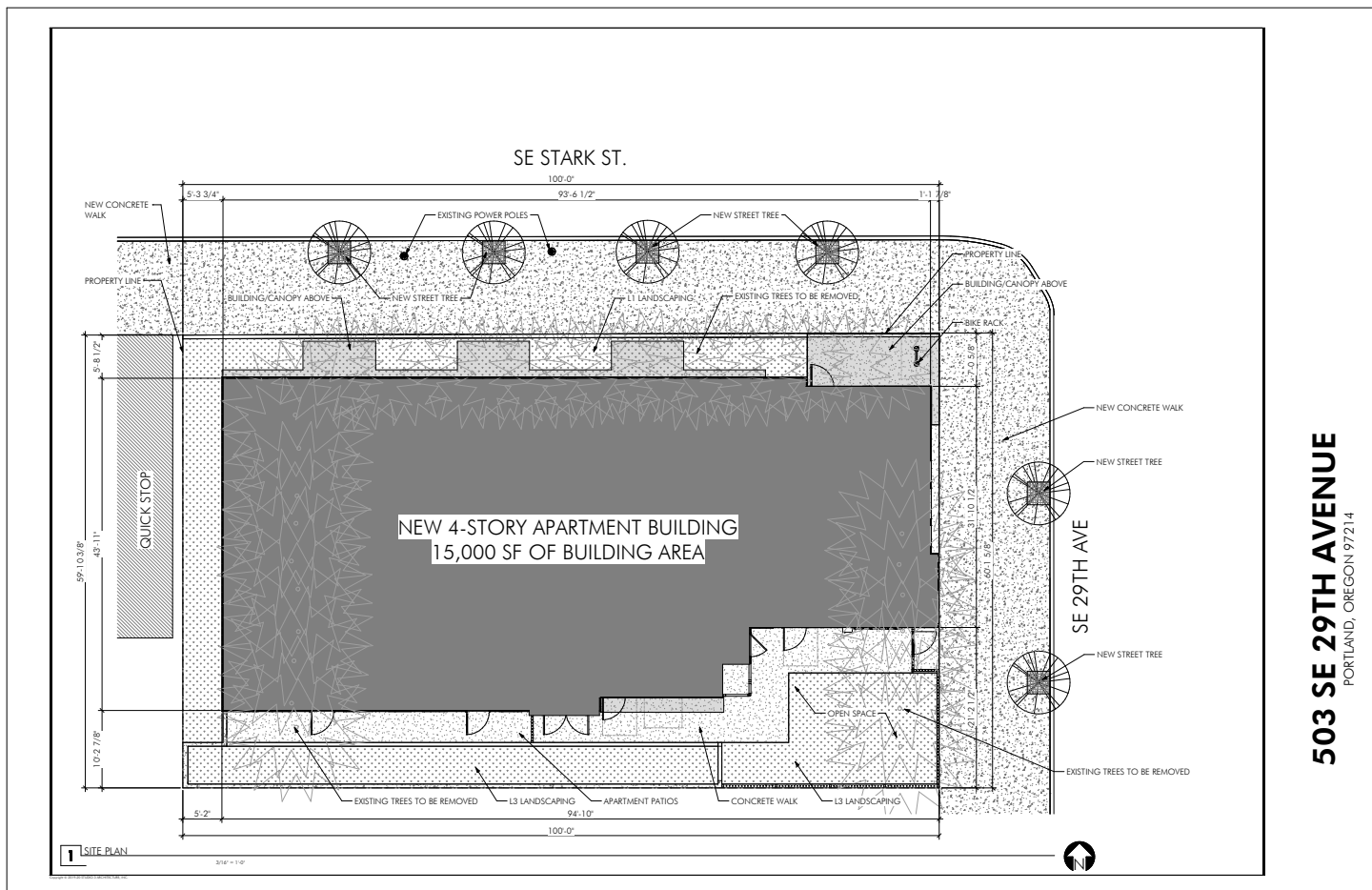
## 30 Unit Apartment Building Development Proposed at 503 SE 29th Avenue

*By David Mullens,  
29th & Stark LLC*

A development is proposed in your neighborhood that must satisfy the Neighborhood Contact Requirement, a Portland Zoning Code notification process.

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**503 SE 29TH AVENUE**

PORTLAND, OREGON 97214

I have submitted this letter to the Sunnyside Board explaining the process and requirements:

#### Applicant/Developer responsibilities:

Send a letter or email to the neighborhood association, neighborhood coalition and business district with notification about their proposal. The notification is to also include a site plan. This email and attached site plan satisfies this requirement.

Post a sign on the property per Portland guidelines within 35 days of submitting a building permit or land use application.

Enter project into the BDS Online Service within 35 days of submitting a building permit or land use application.

#### City Planner reviewer responsibilities:

Accept building permits or land use review applications that have complete documentation of neighborhood contact requirements. Documentation includes copies of receipts of certified mailings or email.

In the case where a meeting is not required, do not accept an application 35 days or less from the date of certified mailing or email.

Building permit or land use review applications will not be accepted if documentation is incomplete.

#### Applicant's statement describing proposal:

This project includes a new 30 unit apartment building to be located at 503 SE 29th Ave.

The building will be a four-story structure and is designed per Portland zoning requirements.

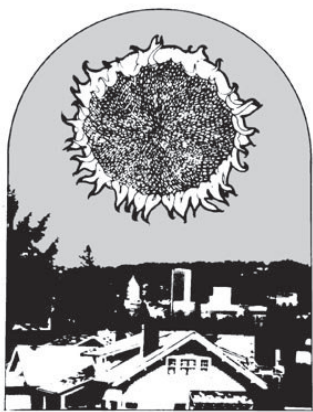
A site plan has been provided as a PDF attachment with this email.

#### Applicant:

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by Amie Rose



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## Sunnyside Neighborhood Map

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