The Disposition of Seattle City Light's 8th & Roy Property: A Report and Recommendation in Response to the Requirements of Resolution 31424

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8th & Roy notes on meetings with community groups.

South Lake Union Community Council Policy & Planning Committee meeting 3/21/17

- 7 public attended
- · Tim Croll and Maureen Barnes there from SCL
- We heard:
 - A "personal philosophical " position against selling any public land in South Lake Union because of the uncertainty of the future.
 - The School District is probably wishing that they had not sold Queen Anne High School at this point
 - SCL should do whatever it can to promote residential development, even to the extent of splitting the property in 2 to support the sale of sites that are more amenable to residential development. This is especially true for affordable housing.
 - Residential development should be the goal and affordable housing the "double goal."
 - SCL should be prepared for further questions on affordable housing at the full SLU Community Council meeting on April 4.

South Lake Union Community Council meeting 4/04/17

- Many, many public attended
- Tim Croll was there from SCL
- We heard:
 - o Great interest in affordable housing
 - Interest in pursuit of long term lease rather than sale as a way around fair market value requirement. [TC clarified that laws requiring fair market value apply to both rental as well as sale.]

South Lake Union Chamber of Commerce meeting 4/11/17

- 6 attended (including 2 by phone.)
- Tim Croll was there from SCL
- · We heard:
 - o Affordable housing is very important issue for the Chamber
 - o Part of that is worker housing
 - Worried that MHA will not result in affordable housing investments in South Lake Union.
 - o Difficulty is the cost of land in SLU.
 - Loopholes should be found to let affordable housing make sense for this property and others. Would renting (as opposed to purchase) be one of those? [TC clarified that laws requiring fair market value apply to both rental as well as sale.]

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Notes Open Space Breakout April 25, 2017

About 4 or 5 people went to this breakout section. There were no actual comments. There were several questions. Lise from Parks answered most, I answered the City Light specific questions.

- · Can you walk on the grass at MOHAI? Yes, unless fenced off
- What does transfer mean in the context of property going from one City department to another? Like buying and selling.
- How do public benefits work in this neighborhood? Partly refered to DCI but did mention that there have been some substantial benefits going to Parks
- Could Parks afford this if it was delayed for 10 years?
- Why did Parks sell 8th and Roy? Would have cost more to renovate then buy a new site, new site in West Seattle City Light
- Do the metrics for Parks look at density? Used to but the new metrics looks at 5 minute and 10 minute walking. Why change the metrics? Old metrics impossible to meet in dense City. General grumbling about this.
- Looking at any other parks in South Lake Union? Don't know. Need to be creative and work with developers to get open space where possible. Later I mentioned the new park at the substation and asked Lise if this was on the map and she wasn't sure. Probably not.
- Why can't Parks afford? Only get \$2 million a year for acquisition, bumped up by matching from King County Conservation (I think that's the fund but not sure). Rest goes to maintaining existing Parks
- Mary said that when she talks to people in South Lake Union they indicated that they
 would like more parks. Had Parks heard that? People in every neighborhood tell us that
 they want more parks.
- Is this neighborhood short on community centers? A gap area? How can we find that out? I think Lise had some suggestion on this.
- What about buying a part of the property? Still too close to existing park.
- Why is that disqualifying? Why didn't you mention that in presentation? Did explain it and explained it again
- Why no homeless shelter? I explained it is no longer suitable for human habitation.
- What about I-42?

A long-time Seattle resident reminisced nostalgically on the Seattle of her youth and how there used to be farms and that it was sad they were all gone and people especially children didn't get to see nature anymore.

Event: City Light Community Information Meeting Meeting Room – SCL breakout session Date: 4/25/17 Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 PM

Questions asked during the Q&A Session

Why do we want to get rid of the property for a surcharge?

The surcharge means that rates are higher than they should be. If the property were sold, this would allow the surcharge to be removed.

Are there no capital development projects/generation projects that could be planned for this site instead?

City Light has no need for this property as either distribution or generation

If there is a reduction in surcharge, would that be permanent?

It depends on future revenue; what we would expect to clear from a sale would be enough to remove the surcharge for now.

Do you have any current people offering? No.

Do you have a property next door/is it for sale as well? No, that is not for sale as far as we know.

Is this land outright owned by City Light? Yes

Why was it transferred back to SCL in 2003? / Why was it bought back? Parks wanted to sell it to obtain a better facility rather than having to repair this one. City Light wanted to buy it for a possible substation site.

Was it paid for at fair market value? Yes

What is the timing of the process?

The timeline for the Mayor and Council consideration is uncertain. How long would it take to sell the property, if allowed?

The decision could be to sit on the property or to sell it. If City Light were authorized to try to sell it, the timeline for that would be unclear.

The entire city gets a surcharge taken off?

If the surcharge is removed, then all customers in the service territory (City Light plus some areas to the north and south) would have it removed.

Is there a mandate to use it for reducing surcharge?

The money must go into the Light Fund. There are a variety of possible utility uses for the revenue. At this point, City Light would put a large priority on removing the surcharge.

Was your estimate done in house? No, it was done by an independent appraiser.

Why was there such a broad range in the sale price?

The cost of the environmental cleanup could vary quite a bit, so that would have a range of possible impacts on the net purchase price.

Is the appraised value discounted due to the Landmark status? Some, but not a large amount.

Could the building get taken apart/only the "skin" of the building get left and redone, or would it need to be kept "as is" internally as well?

Some internal features need to be preserved.

What is the assessed value?

Because public property does not pay property taxes, it is not assessed.

What about the plume; did that effect the assessment?

The appraiser was not an environmental cleanup expert so their appraisal excluded environmental cleanup costs. We expect that there will be some of such costs that would be a factor in any sale negotiations. The plume's location and intensity has been mapped out reasonably well.

What is the name of the source of the plume? Marryat Industries; they had a dry cleaning operation there.

Is that building there still? No.

Could one buy the 8th & Roy property without incurring responsibility for the plume? It's possible. All of this would be part of the negotiation.

Have you sold other properties like this?

City Light has sold other properties; it has been a long time since we last sold such a large and valuable property.

Does the utility have properties that are sitting idle like this? *Some.*

When did it stop being an emergency shelter? Not certain; it was a number of years ago, however. What was fair market value at that time when it was an emergency shelter? Don't know off the top of our heads. The property was rented at fair market value, however.

Have you had a seismic study done? Not aware that we have.

What is the building condition/ is the roof intact? The roof has not collapsed but the building shell does need major work.

Can the appraisal become public?

No, under state law appraisals are exempt from public disclosure. Disclosing them could disadvantage the ratepayers in property negotiations.

Could someone subdivide the property? / What is the smallest chunk to divide it into? We are not sure what the land use regulations would say about that. However, selling it in chunks would probably drive the value down.

If you had a developer offer half the value or more for ½ of the property, would you sell? If City Light were authorized to sell the property, we would need to obtain fair market value for the entire parcel. This would guide any decisions we made about splitting up the property.

Is the landmark documentation/report on the surplus site? We will do that

Could you consider putting a carbon offset forest/reserve on the property?

We understand that the intent of the question is to link its preservation as open space to a utility purpose. [Note: while not mentioned at the meeting, City Light has a policy of not purchasing trees for carbon offsets due to their unstable nature – that is the carbon offset could be removed by one fire. Also dedicating a \$20 – 30 million asset to grow trees on a quarter block would be an irresponsibly and unnecessarily expensive way for City Light to stay carbon neutral.]

Did you figure out the water table?

Various reports show the groundwater table to be 20 ft – 15 ft below the land surface.

Did parks consider a community center or an events center? That is a question for Parks.

Could City Light keep the land as an asset or green space/open space? Under state law, City Light cannot provide its property for a general governmental use without full and fair compensation.

Croll, Timothy

Srom:Barnes, MaureenInt:Thursday, April 27, 2017 2:18 PMTo:Croll, TimothyCc:Best, LynnSubject:Public MeetingAttachments:Meeting 4-25-17 (4).jpg; Meeting 4-25-17 (3).jpg; Meeting 4-25-17 (2).jpg; Meeting 4-25-17 (1).jpg

Tim – I attached a few pictures I took on the 25th of the Community Meeting. Also, as I mentioned previously, I took notes for the comment period for Emily Alvarado who is with the Office of Housing – there were no comments or questions that pertained to the 8th and Roy St Shops and the impending sale. Three people stopped by and all of them had questions and/or comments regarding other housing developments throughout Seattle.

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Thanks!

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Croll, Timothy

From: Int: To: Subject: Guettinger, Langston Tuesday, April 25, 2017 11:26 PM Croll, Timothy Notes from this evening:

Hi Tim,

I wanted to write you to pass along my notes from this evening. I suspect none of them will be news to you because the only individual (Mr. Douglas) who visited my table went subsequently to yours but as part of the process here's the gist of what was said:

Notes on SDOT & DCI table on behalf of SCL, April 25th, 2017

- Question regarding zoning consistency in the area
- Questions about what may go in the lot development-wise?
- Question regarding water table testing. Has any been done? Will digging a parking garage be a pain?
- Future development of site:
 - o Would like to see mixed income housing
 - o Seems like the presentation indicated this property was ripe for biotech development
 - Indicated partially by commercial zoning being higher than the residential zoning. Why is this?

Let me know if you have any questions at all regarding these comments and I would be more than happy to try to address them tomorrow.

Kind regards, Langston Seattle City Light's 800 Aloha St Property Disposition Project Community Information Meeting April 25, 2017 7:30 PM Comment/Question Sheet

Name (optional): Calyn Hostetler

Email address if you want us to get back to you with an answer or if you would like to be placed on the interest list to receive any updates about the project (please print clearly):

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PUBLIC HEARING SEATTLE CITY LIGHT 800 ALOHA DISPOSITION PROJECT MAY 1, 2017, 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1	MARY FLECK: The problem with selling this
2	property is that the city's actions are not aligned with
3	the people's priorities and our stated policy goals.
4	There is a disconnect here between selling the property
5	and what the people have spoken about and the city has
6	spoken about as our goals.
7	For example, the city is not meeting the open
8	space goals. As reported as of today on the website for
9	Office of Sustainability and Environment, the goal is one
10	acre of open space per 100 residents, but we have only
11	0.75 acres of park land according to that website based
12	on the 2012 data.
13	Where is the current data? Why is this
14	information not being put forward? If we're not meeting
15	our goals, why are we selling our assets and our land?
16	We're not making any more land. Why are we going to sell
17	what precious land we have when we are not meeting our
18	open space goals? One of the goals is for all people to
19	live within one-quarter mile of a park. According to the
20	city's own data, so far only 83 percent do. So, why are
21	we selling land when we are not meeting our goals?
22	I want to also point you to the 2035 comp plan
23	that specifically states that one of our goals is to
24	continue to expand the city's park holdings and open
25	space opportunities, with special emphasis on urban

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1	centers, but when the Parks Department came to your
2	meeting, your community meeting, they said they were not
3	planning to expand park holdings because they only have
4	\$2 million a year for acquisition, and they are not
5	planning any acquisition in South Lake Union for the next
6	ten years at least.
7	So, also, you received public feedback on the
8	Mandatory Housing Affordability implementation for
9	downtown and South Lake Union, and you were specifically
10	told that we people want to see more open space for kids
11	and encourage more families here. Well, where is the
12	library? Where is the swimming pool? Where is the rec
13	center? Where is the ball field? Where is the tennis
14	court or dog park? Where is the community meeting space?
15	These things are all missing in a very important
16	neighborhood where people live and work. Why are you
17	rushing to sell this?
18	Last year the city set aside money to study a
19	land trust. A land trust would be able to buy and
20	acquire property. Why the rush to sell this when a land
21	trust is still in the study phase? And let's be
22	truthful. This past year the city has \$66 million in
23	REIT money, real estate excise tax money, which is

used. So, it is a joke to pretend that there is no money

specifically for capital projects. That money could be

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1	to acquire property.
2	I want to also say that painting streets green
3	and painting stripes on them is not enough to have a
4	green and healthy environment where people live and work.
5	This morning I walked by the little, tiny park behind the
6	Discovery Center across from Whole Foods. There was a
7	group of children there playing from Morningside Academy.
8	Where are they going to play when that closes and there
9	is no other place for them to play?
10	Lastly, Seattle City Light gives out these
11	magnets for people's fridges, which some day will end up
12	in a landfill, and I asked Seattle City Light, if you are
13	really going to be the nation's number one utility, as
14	you aspire, stop giving out magnets and actually do
15	something to help green space in the city.
16	This public engagement which we are attending
17	tonight is a farce. You have not done enough to bring
18	people here. Only a handful of people came to the
19.	community meeting. There have been meetings with only
20	two groups, the South Lake Union Community Council and
21	Chamber of Commerce. What about the employers, unions,
22	and having a community event on the site? Thank you.
23.	(End of comment.)
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LIZ FLECK: Seattle is not green enough.
Decades ago it was nicknamed the Emerald City, and
Seattle City Light advertises itself as the nation's
greenest utility. However, when the city is looked at
from an aerial map, it is very, very, very, very gray,
with concrete, and Seattle City Light's designation as
the greenest utility is based on that designation. They
got very high marks in all categories except for the
green space metric. So, it is starting to feel like hype
and slogans rather than my reality.
When I was looking to buy a condo in the
spring, I walked in the Dexter neighborhood and all those
wonderful buildings, and then walked down several lovely
staircases looking for some place to go to tell me this
would be a good place to live, but I couldn't do it;
Westlake Avenue was there. I couldn't find a place that
I would want to hang out if I lived on Dexter, so I moved
to Lake City, which is green and amazing. But, not here;
there's a ton of people moving in. All the magazines,
all the metrics are telling us that the stats are going
to go off the charts.
So, I feel strongly that Seattle City Council
should not approve the sale of this property until the
Parks Department can find both the funds and the interest
in this property. The Seattle Parks Department said at

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1	last week's meeting that they don't want to buy it
2	because this park fulfills the need for parks in this
3	neighborhood. Well, I'll tell you, I walked from the
4	Whole Foods to here tonight at MOHAI and there wasn't a
5	park that I walked by. There was some tree plantings
6	along the curb, and when I got to the end of the park,
7	there was 200 feet of crushed gravel, not green like the
8	maps on the website indicate.
9	I want to leave you with a thought, that I left
10	being an architect, which is a wonderful profession I
11	enjoyed greatly, to find more fulfillment working with
12	students as a physical education teacher here in Seattle
13	Public Schools. I teach near Green Lake. My students
14	can walk to Green Lake Park; my students can walk to
15	Meridian Park. If there was a school here, kids couldn't
16	walk to a park. I wouldn't be permitted as a teacher to
17	let my students play in this park, given the condition of
18	the bird feces that has been there as a problem for over
19	eight months.
20	So, that's my experience with this neighborhood.
21	I really hope that we can not rush and we can find a
22	solution to make this community developed in a way that
23	will help Seattle continue to be an enjoyable place to
24	live and work and play. Thank you.
25	(End of comment.)

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1	ELAINE IKEE: My name is Elaine Ikee, and I am
2	with Seattle Green Spaces Coalition, and I would like to
3	speak specifically about a wonderful plan that the city
4	came up with, the South Lake Union Urban Design
5	Framework, and I was wondering if you have ever seen that
6	document or if you have ever referred to it, because I
7	think reference should be made.
8	It was written in 2010, I believe, and it said
9	specifically about South Lake Union that surplus land
10	policies should establish ones that encourage civic uses,
11	affordable housing and arts and cultural space through
12	joint development on surplus city-owned land for the
13	sites including the "teardrop" at Mercer and Broad
14	Street, the City Light property at Pontius, and also the
15	Roy Street shops. That was a specific direction from a
16	study that was done by the city.
17	They further referenced a Dexter building for
18	the Parks Department as maybe one day becoming a
19	community center. I don't see that that is going to be
20	happening any time soon. Where are the residents of the
21	neighborhood and workers of the neighborhood supposed to
22	go to in the event of a disaster such as an earthquake?
23	What community centers are available? What place is
24	going to be available that doesn't offer splintered
25	glass, that offers some green space, some real space for

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1 people to go to? 2 The only green spots in South Lake Union scheduled to be slated, the park that was just east of 3 the park building, the green space is going to be taken 4 out and developed, redeveloped into more towers, and it 5 just seems to me a shame that there hasn't been an 6 attempt, a real attempt on the part of the city to 7 implement the design plans that were originally planned 8 9 for South Lake Union. 10 Everything has gone awry in the present frenzy of development, and I don't think the future is going to 11 look kindly on what is happening today. That's what I 12 believe, and I believe there should be a much greater 13 effort on the part of the city departments to cooperate 14 and really get a consensus of how this city should be 15 16 developed for the future for the people who are going to 17 try to live here. The conversations I heard in South Lake Union 18 today were that many people are planning to move, that 19 20 they can't afford it; they might like to buy, but they 21 can't afford the place. And, also, there's no place to walk your dog. So, that's my testimony. Thank you. 22 23 (End of comment.) 24 25

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MATT ADKINS: Hello. I am a member of Uptown Alliance, which is an input group in lower Queen Anne, just west of 99.

Our community and, also, probably other 4 5 communities, fast-growing neighborhoods like South Lake Union and Eastlake would like to have a community center 6 7 in our neighborhood. We have seen the community centers 8 in Magnolia, on top of Queen Anne and the older 9 neighborhoods in Seattle, but I, along with others, would 10 like to see a community center that could fit the needs 11 of our fast-growing neighborhoods down here in the urban 12 center, like South Lake Union or at Queen Anne and so 13 forth.

I would say that you did have a meeting at the Discovery Center, which, I think, South Lake Union does use as a community center currently, but as I understand it, that will be developed shortly, and they agree with us as well. We do have some public buildings in our area, like this one that we're here at at MOHAI, but, unfortunately, we have to pay to be able to enter here.

So, I would like to have some sort of component with a community center, and I would suggest that maybe we could work with a future developer of that property to encourage them to have a community center within the building and help with an incentive in their MHA. In

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1	Uptown, we are in the process of completing our Uptown
2	Design Framework and we are offering an incentive to
3	developers to add arts-related properties within our
4	building and they get an incentive with the MHA
5	requirement, and I suggest that perhaps we could do the
6	same with a community center at this property that would
7	serve as a community center for perhaps Eastlake, South
8	Lake Union and Uptown together. Thank you.
9	(End of comment.)
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1	LLOYD DOUGLAS: Most of my testimony will be in
2	the form of a question. How long is the surcharge going
3	to be off if the property is sold? The removal of the
4	surcharge, what is the time frame?
5	TIMOTHY CROLL: I will try to be brief. It
6	really depends on where the revenue goes. It could be
7	quite a long time if revenue stays steady. In other
8	words, once having caught up and we stay caught up, then
9	it will be for quite some time, but if revenue takes a
10	downturn, we can't really predict or guaranty.
11	LLOYD DOUGLAS: No, I don't find that answer
12	adequate. There has to be some kind of guesstimate. Is
13	it five years, ten years? You know, like everybody does
14	recognize that if the economy tanks your revenue goes
15	down. You know, like I don't know how you could plan
16	anything if you just say, it depends on what we do with
17	revenue. That doesn't
18	TIMOTHY CROLL: So, according to our
19	projection, we should have never been in a surcharge
20	situation. The rates were set so that with our predicted
21	revenue we would stay off surcharge. Well, then the
22	unexpected happened. So, if we're back onto our path
23	where we expected it in the first place, then it should
24	be a good long time, years, but, again, like I said, it
25	was unexpected in the first place that we were in

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1	surcharge.
2	LLOYD DOUGLAS: Regarding the neighborhood,
3	back in the day when we were doing the LEED neighborhood
4	development as a prelude to the UDF, the neighborhood got
5	dinged on parks because, while we have according to Parks
6	enough, we're actually over allotted park space, but when
7	we did the LEED-ND study, they were all too far apart.
8 -	You measure your distance from your front door of your
9	unit or building, and all of the spaces, most of it did
10	not meet that standard, so basically it mainly failed in
11	that area. So, we do need more park spaces, but if
12	they're going to be micro parks.
13	Another item for the neighborhood is, also,
14	affordable housing, because most of us went along with
15	the rezone because we were promised there was going to be
16	affordable housing, because a monoculture for a
17	neighborhood is not very good planning or a pleasant
18	neighborhood. Thank you.
19	(End of comment.)
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1	MARTIN WESTERMAN: So, I will enter into the
2	record my first question, which is, if this is really
3	that wealthy of a city, and I am always told that this is
4	such a wealthy city, why can't we afford to build a
5	community center at Roy Street shops?
6	According to this 2010 study, the South Lake
7	Union Urban Design Framework that Elaine shared by the
8	way, I'm Martin Westerman, Seattle Green Spaces
9	Coalition a future site proposed for civic use, and
10	that would be what is called the "Neighborhood Heart,"
11	appears on page 11 in this report, and it's right about
12	where the Roy Street shops sit. So, I'm wondering why
13	anybody even made a study that would never get
14	implemented. It's kind of a curious thing. So, either
15	we are rich or we're not, either we can afford what we
16	build and afford to maintain what we build or we can't.
17	We were up near Westlake today, and across the
18	street at Ninth, behind the Discovery Center at Ninth and
19	Denny, is a field that has been used for several years by
20	schools, there's soccer, there's tennis, and I was
21	reminded by a person at Discovery Center that this is
22	private property and the largesse is the private owner;
23	and the Parks Department has been trying for quite a
24	while to negotiate with the private owner to keep that as
25	a green space and has failed, the private owner has

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1	refused to deal. So, that private space, once that
2	private space is gone, once the green space is gone and
3	it's four towers, where are kids going to be play soccer,
4	where are they going to play tennis?
5	The Roy Street shops area looks like a very
6	good candidate. It's not that far a walk away. What
7	this area needs is better walkability, we're missing
8	that, but putting the piece there, putting the green
9	space there I think would work very well. We need a
10	community center there, as has been pointed out, and we
11	need to work around Okesen, which it doesn't sound you
12	guys are ready to do. It sounds like we're going to have
13	to spearhead that some other way.
14	And, finally, it turns out that the Roy Street
15	shops is part of about 400 acres, 415 acres of green
16	space that is not parks which the city owns. The city
17	seems bent on selling it all off, when at the same time
18	the city seemed bent on increasing green space. So, it
19	doesn't make sense to sell off more than 400 acres of
20 ·	green space and community space the city already owns and
21	then to buy it at a fabulously increased price later,
22	once it has been sold to somebody else. Why not keep it
23	and develop it as is. Thank you.
24	(End of comment.)
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1	DONNA HARTMANN-MILLER: I am Donna
2	Hartmann-Miller. I am a recent resident to this
3	neighborhood, and I just found out about this about, oh,
4	half an hour ago, so I zipped on over here to be able to
5	listen to the conversation that is going on.
6	I realize that you guys are probably sitting
7	here listening to the testimony thinking, well, this
8	isn't our job, it's the Parks Department that is supposed
9	to be doing this, but the fact of the matter is we need
10	you to help speak up for us and to challenge the Parks
11	Department on the assumptions that they're making.
12	The whole idea that the park needs for this
13	neighborhood are met by Lake Union Park, they're not.
14	This neighborhood is experiencing a huge amount of
15	density and development that is going on. You just look
16	at the cranes. We're taking on all of that additional
17	stuff. We need additional parks and park spaces that
18	aren't satisfied by this park.
19	I love this park, I think it's a fabulous park,
20	but there is goose poop all over the place and you simply
21	can't do a lot of the things in this park that you could
22	do in another park that didn't have as many geese in it.
23	That would be a good location for that sort of thing,
24	whether it's an off-leash dog area, which we desperately
25	need; I see the dogs being walked around here all the

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1 time and they have no place to get off the leash and run 2 around and be healthy in; or whether it is putting in 3 some sort of children's playground equipment that isn't as far away as this one that can satisfy a lot of the 4 5 buildings that are being built over here. Those are the sort of things that this 6 7 neighborhood could use to support all of the additional 8 density that it is taking on for the city. I think it's great that there is additional density out here, but we 9 10 also need the parks and green spaces, and we need you guys to help us out with challenging the Parks Department 11 12 on the assumptions that they're making regarding this 13 property. 14 The thing about affordable housing, that's 15 another big need. It would be great to have a little bit 16 of mixed diversity of incomes in this neighborhood, and 17 right now there isn't, and there isn't going to be unless 18 there is financial support from the city in doing that. Trickle-down economics doesn't work; we already know 19 20 that. We need to be putting in the money to support that sort of thing in this neighborhood. 21 22 You guys are one of the departments of the city. I hate to say this, but you have more influence 23 24 than we do, and if you could just get the word back to some of these other departments that there are better 25

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1	uses for that property than just selling it off to the
2	highest bidder, I think that would be a great service
3	that you could do for the city.
4	What was the last thing? Oh, the five-minute
5	walk shit. Sometimes it just takes five minutes to cross
6	over Westlake for goodness' sake. There is no way that
7	this park satisfies all the growth that is going on in
8	this area.
9	I guess that's what I'm saying is, I think it's
10	great that people are here and discussing this. I've
11	gone to lots of public testimony and sometimes it's very
12	frustrating. I know it's not necessarily your job, but
13	it sure would be nice if you guys would push the Parks
14	Department a little bit more in this area. We've got a
15	Municipal Parks District. For God's sake, now it is
16	going to be bringing in additional funds. If you could
17	work on that, I would really appreciate it. Thank you.
18	(End of comment.)
19	(Public hearing adjourned at 7:56 p.m.)
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[≂]rom: ⊿nt: To: Subject: Susan Boyle Wednesday, March 22, 2017 12:24 PM SCL_RealProperty 800 Aloha Street Surplus Property Disposition Study

Hello, Timothy.

Please keep me apprised of the disposition study process.

BOLA Architecture + Planning responsible for preparing the landmark nomination report on this property on behalf of Seattle City Light. It appears to be a great candidate for an adaptive use project with an addition.

If you need any information about the property history, potential controls and incentives or the design review process of the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board, or the financial incentives available for the building's adaptive use and historic rehabilitation, please let me know.

Thank you. Susan

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⊃m: ∠nt: To: Subject: maryfleck Friday, April 28, 2017 1:42 PM Croll, Timothy May Day demonstrations

I request that you reschedule the public hearing in light of the expected May Day protests and traffic and bus rerouting Thank you

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Curt Archambault > Saturday, April 29, 2017 9:31 AM SCL_RealProperty 800 Aloha property (8th & Roy Building)

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the SLU Chamber and its membership, I would like to make a request of City Light and the City of Seattle to find a creative solution to the challenges of disposing of this property and making it available to affordable housing developers.

Key points:

- We are facing an unprecedented homelessness crisis in this city that is impacting the business community. We are not going to solve the issue by dealing with the symptoms of homelessness via sweeps and picking up the garbage. These issues do need to be addressed but they don't solve the problem.
- Developers are not going to voluntarily build affordable housing, especially in SLU due to property value.
 - They are willing to pay the city to allow them to make more profit on each building they build but that stock will all be market rate housing.
- We need affordable housing IN SLU as we need to have employees for our businesses that have locations in SLU, especially in the service industry.
- The city has the property that could be repurposed for affordable housing that is sitting empty which is a shame because funds are being allocated for sweeps and cleaning when that just prolongs the issue. We need to get people off the streets.
- There are amazing non-profits that could utilize the funds and the property in a more effective manner than what the city is doing with the money and property.
- Again, developers (especially those from out of state) have no interest in solving our affordable/homelessness issues here so it is up to the city to step up and make a difference.

What I know about the Seattle spirit is that if we come together and focus on a problem with drive to a beneficial outcome for all parties, we find a way. Collaboration (as I just learned at the EOC meeting) can produce amazing results. What we have to do is make sure we are solving for the right issue.

The business and residents of SLU thank you for your consideration and listening to our concerns. Together we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Curt Archambault SLU Chamber Board President



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May 1, 2017

Timothy Croll Seattle City Light 700 Fifth Avenue Suite 3316 Seattle, WA 98104

Re: Public Hearing - Seattle City Light's Disposition of the 8th and Roy Site

Dear Mr. Timothy Croll,

This letter is in regards to the potential land development for the City Light property located at 800 Aloha Street.

Kenmore Air is a scheduled international seaplane airline located nearby the mentioned property at the south end of Lake Union. Maintaining a safe and protected air corridor for our aircraft is of high importance. We would like to remind you that a detailed study regarding the impact of the building heights and wind effects for this project is required, as the location of this property is directly under the air corridor that the aircraft use.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 425-482-2200.

Sincerely,

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Todd Banks President Kenmore Air Harbor, Inc.

From: nt: To: Subject: barblowe1 Thursday, May 04, 2017 12:50 PM SCL_RealProperty Property or sale

I would strongly support selling the Cuty Light property in order to help reduce the costs for customers. Barbara Lowe in Magnolia

To: Subject: James Brooke Tuesday, May 02, 2017 2:28 PM SCL_RealProperty SCL propery for sale at 8th & Roy

Hello

I'm all for lowering rates, so my input is to sell the property for the highest price possible.

James Brooke 2512 30th Ave W Seattle 98199

~•om:	Mary
ent:	Wednesday, May 03, 2017 9:59 AM
To:	Brand, Jesseca
Cc:	Croll, Timothy; Sawant, Kshama; Bagshaw, Sally; Nyland, Kathy; LEG_CouncilMembers;
	Best, Lynn; Fathi, Sahar
Subject:	Lack of inclusivity in South Lake Union/Cascade re sale of Seattle City Light surplus
	property
Attachments:	PastedGraphic-1.tiff; Roy Street site.pdf

Jesseca and Tim, We would like real public engagement in South Lake Union, Dexter, Cascade, Uptown, and Eastlake Neighborhoods. The surplus City Light property is one of the few remaining parcels of City-owned land that could be used for public benefit. Plymouth Housing is interested in affordable housing. People who live and work in the area may support this, but you have not engaged them.

Tim Croll told me that he met with <u>only 2 groups</u>: South Lake Union Community Council and South Lake Union Chamber of Commerce, and that SCL's outreach is <u>finished</u>.

Very few people attended the (poorly publicized) Community Engagement meeting and only 4 people (besides Seattle Green Spaces Coalition folks) attended the Public Hearing — see photo below. This is inadequate. The Public Hearing is insufficient to inform City Council because it was poorly advertised and poorly attended.

Yesterday at the South Lake Union Community Council presentation, DON representative Sahar Fathi said that have inclusive outreach and engagement, it is necessary to "go to there the people are, instead of expecting reple to come to us." She gave the example of "Pop-Ups." If DON knows that public meetings are not working with millenials, why has the public engagement process stopped after two unsuccessful meetings?

We have requested that you hold events on-site to let people know about the Roy Street Shops land and landmark building.

We demand that SCL and DON have a real community engagement process. We agree with Speaker Frank Chopp that it would be beneficial to have real engagement. Seattle Green Spaces Coalition was informed of the disposition process for this site on April 5th. That is not enough time for getting out the word about the potential sale of the land and landmark building. Over 80 people have signed an online petition at <u>Change.org</u> demanding real public engagement for the disposition of this important site.

Sincerely,

Mary Fleck, Co-Chair, Seattle Green Spaces Coalition

May 1st Public Hearing on disposition of Seattle City Light surplus property. Two of the people seated in the audience are city employees. This meeting was held on May Day, despite SGSC's request to reschedule. There was no exterior signage at the location (MOHIA) to tell people where the public hearing was or to inform neighbors that there was a public hearing inside.

In May 2, 2017, at 4:05 PM, Brand, Jesseca < Jesseca.Brand@seattle.gov> wrote:

Hi Mary,

Tim and I conversed this afternoon and discussed our shared interest in outreach on this project. He has been reaching out to community members and orgs that may be interested as well as making himself available for presentations. He has also per DONs suggestion made his meeting in-person meeting broader to include several other projects to deliver a more complete story to the community. This projects next steps as you know are to combine what they have heard into a recommendation.

On a related note, DON is supporting SLU community council in an upcoming event about reaching more diverse audiences. We continue to work toward the challenge of more and broader inclusive outreach.

Thanks Jesseca

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On Apr 30, 2017, at 4:17 PM, Mary <

wrote:

Jesseca, You may have heard that the community meeting on the Roy Street Shops was very poorly attended. 5 of the attendees were from Seattle Green Spaces Coalition. We request a real and robust engagement plan. We request onsite events. I will call you to discuss. Thank you. Mary Fleck 937-3321 STATE REPRESENTATIVE 4 and DISTRICT FRANK CHOPP SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE State of Washington House of Representatives

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May 1, 2017

Timothy Croll Seattle City Light 700 Fifth Ave Suite 3316 Seattle WA, 98104

Dear Mr. Croll,

I am writing to urge the City of Seattle to conduct a process to develop a new concept to engage the community about the property owned by Seattle City Light known as the 8th and Roy site and the nearby property known as the Broad Street vacation.

I strongly support re-purposing this public property for public benefit. It is essential that there be a process involving community groups, nonprofit organizations, local workers and employers as well as the general public. Public lands can offer great benefit in urban settings, especially where the need for open space, community facilities and affordable housing is so clear and apparent.

Based on my experience working with community organizations as well as state and local governments, it is very clear that selling public property may result is a short-term, one-time gain, while retaining the land for public benefit can immeasurably add to the well-being of a city in perpetuity. I offer my support to the City to help find potential uses as well as funding for the redevelopment of these sites that would have long-term public benefit.

Sincerely,

Frank Chopp

FRANK CHOPP Speaker of the House

CC: Mayor Edward Murray Seattle City Council Seattle City Light General Manager and CEO Larry Weis

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SEATTLE GREEN SPACES COALITION www.seattlegreenspacescoalition.org

May 4, 2017

Seattle City Council Seattle City Light

Re: Delaying sale and retaining Seattle City Light's Roy Street Shops for public benefit

Dear Council Members and Director Weis:

When Seattle City Light (SCL) declared the Roy Street Shops "surplus" and ready for sale to the highest bidder, Seattle Green Spaces Coalition (SGSC) engaged with South Lake Union (SLU) community groups to learn how they want to use the property for public benefit. The half-block SCL property is located at 800 Aloha St. ((between Aloha and Roy Streets at 8th Ave. N.), on the west side of the SLU neighborhood.

The SLU groups want the City of Seattle to re-purpose this property, and use it for low-income and homeless housing, a community center, playgrounds and fields, tennis courts, P-Patches, a dog park, and green space. The groups are supported by the City of Seattle's own *South Lake Union Urban Design Framework* report (DPD-Weber Thompson, 12/31/2010) – which designated the Roy St. Shops area as a Neighborhood & Regional Heart, and a "Future site proposed for civic use" (pp. 11 & 14).

The City of Seattle owns more than 400 acres of non-park green and public spaces that it should be retaining for public benefit. It is sitting on \$66 million in Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) funds, which it is obliged to spend on public projects, including land acquisition and community development. And the City has committed to green space access and population-to-green space metrics, to increasing its tree canopy, reducing its carbon footprint, and meeting race & social justice goals. The City of Seattle has met none of these standards in South Lake Union.

The SGSC urges the City to put its money where its mouth is. SCL must make more robust public outreach efforts. Its two public meetings (April 25 & May 1) attracted less than a dozen of SLU's thousands of local residents, none of SLU's thousands of Amazon, PATH and other area workers; and no building or business owners, or. Yet SCL wants to close the Roy Street Shops public comment period May 5. Robust public engagement for this property, valued at over \$30 million, would give SLU residents, workers and organizations at least a year to respond.

The SGSC supports engaging all SLU stakeholders, to make sure this land gets used for their benefit of them, and that of everyone who visits and enjoys the SLU area. Retaining urban green and public spaces is vitally important for public and environmental health, reducing city costs, enhancing city property values, and keeping Seattle livable.

Sincerely,

Mary Fleck, Co-Chair Elaine Ike, Co-Chair

Martin Westerman, Board Director

Cc: South Lake Union Community Council South Lake Union Chamber of Commerce

Explanatory Note:

The next 30 pages or so are what appears to be an online petition from The Seattle Green Spaces Coalition (SGSC) and the identities and comments of a number of people that have expressed their support for the petition. All of this was received in a series of emails from the petition application to <u>SCL RealProperty@seattle.gov</u>, the project's official comment email address. Often the names and comments of the supporters were readily discernible. Sometimes different links needed to be clicked on to find the name of the supporting person and any comments they may have added. In several instances an email stated something like: "10 more people signed in the last day", but only 5 names were listed. What appeared to be a link stating "view all ten supporters" did not lead to other names. In these cases we have left a handwritten note on the page saying "only 5 names visible or accessible."

City Light has reproduced here all the names and comments that we could find in clicking through the emails we received and their various links. Altogether we could determine 57 named supporters, which is a different number than what SGSC has mentioned in several of their other communications. City Light has added this note to explain this discrepancy. Daniel Bretzke City of Seattle, FAS

Timothy Croll Seattle City Light Project Manager

info@seattlegreenspacescoalition.org

Slow Down Land Sale, Step Up the Community Voices



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Supporters

Thirty days notice is not enough time for the public to weigh in on the future use of a half-block of publicly owned land in fast developing South Lake Union. We want a more robust public process for what will happen with the surplus property at 800 Aloha St. We ask the City to engage everyone living and working in the neighborhood and to stop the clock on a rush to dispose of this land to a private buyer. Allowing time for community voices to be heard will make sure that this land is used in a beneficial way and not lost in a land grab.

http://www.seattle.gov/light/Property/surplus.asp (How to get on city record).

Don't it always seem to go / That you don't know what you've got til its gone / They paved paradise / And put up a parking lot - Joni Mitchell

This half block gets a second chance. Don't let this land slip away.

Take our survey. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HYHPCSL

This petition will be delivered to:

- City of Seattle, FAS Daniel Bretzke
- Seattle City Light Project Manager Timothy Croll
- info@seattlegreenspacescoalition.org

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5 more people signed in the last 2 hours

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RECENT SUPPORTERS

anne ewalt

Auburn, WA · Apr 19, 2017

we don't have enough green space... once it's gone, it's gone...i want seattle to be a livable city with trees and grass and parks we need more trees to clean the air



Theresa Rasmussen Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

Because the community should have ample awareness and time to voice concerns. Seattle's land grab is epidemic and is causing many many issues that will be seen far into the future. Let's be patient and mindful with our choices please. Thank you for listening.

and

Jennifer Scarlett Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

With added density, we need more green spaces available for the health of the community!



Mary Fleck Seattle, WA - Apr 19, 2017

Public Health depends on plentiful green space in urban areas where people live and work!



Phyllis Knowles

Seattle, WA - Apr 19, 2017

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Ahsha Miranda

Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

Seattle needs more affordable housing with public input. Selling prime real estate in this market is short sighted.



calyn hostetler

Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

This area is being built up so quickly. What's the rush to sell it so quickly? Neighbors need time to take this opportunity to claim this public space.



Christabel Fowler Seattle, WA - Apr 19, 2017

Laura Elfline Seattie, WA · Apr 19, 2017

Tracy Judd Seattle, WA - Apr 19, 2017

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bill bradburd

Seattle, WA : Apr 19, 2017

we need more open park spaces as the city grows more dense. street parklets are inadequate...



Lisa DeWilde

Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

I'm sick to death with what is being lost in Seattle... Give the community a chance to have their voices heard!

Elizabeth Connolly Seattle, V/A · Apr 19, 2017

Jason Hansen Seattle, WA · Apr 19, 2017

Richard Brown Seattle, WA - Apr 19, 2017

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RECENT SUPPORTERS

deb bigelow

Seattle, WA - Apr 20, 2017

this half block could be an oasis rather than just another tech center in Paul Allen land.



Eleanor Mahoney

Seattle, WA · Apr 20, 2017

Whether or not the city ultimately decides to sell this property, 30 days is not enough time for a public comment period. Moreover, considering how valuable this parcel is there needs to be more time to consider how, why and who is involved in the sale process. Given the fact that an audit recently found that the city could not even be trusted to collect monies for affordable housing from developers, if proceeds from the sale of this plot are intended for that purpose, there must be more accountability built int the process from day 1 - incl. the public comment period.

Kathryn Warren

Seattle, WA · Apr 20, 2017

30 days is nothing. This government is pretty slick and we don't always get a voice.



Nicholas Russ

Seattle, WA - Apr 20, 2017

Public land public discussion.



grace huang seattle, WA · Apr 20, 2017

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RECENT SUPPORTERS

Eric Seat

Eric Pitsenbarger Seattle, WA · Apr 21, 2017

What happened to "Public Process"?

mary Sorman Seattie, WA · Apr 21, 2017

Seattle is a land grab! Stop!



Chad Miller Seattle, WA · Apr 20, 2017

I live here

Seattle, WA · Apr 20, 2017

I don't believe "we the people" have any say in what's going on in our city



Kelly Hollowood Seattle, WA · Apr 21, 2017

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10 more people signed in the last 4 days

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RECENT SUPPORTERS



Liz Fleck

Seattle, WA · Apr 24, 2017

I believe this public land should be presented as an OPPORTUNITY for the community. Selling this public land without consideration of how it could best benefit Seattle at-large is rash. Let's get together and make a plan!



Nealy Evans

Seattle, WA · Apr 22, 2017

To keep Seattle beautiful and have that beauty accessible to the people who live here.

Cameron McCallum Seattle, WA Apr 21, 2017

public green spaces are assets to our community!



joseph arnone seattle, WA · Apr 21, 2017



Marie ABAYA Seattle, WA Apr 24, 2017

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10 more people signed in the last 2 days

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RECENT SUPPORTERS

Edith Wolff

Seattle, WA · Apr 25, 2017

The plan for this piece of land needs much more time and careful study. It could really be used well to benefit this new neighborhood. We don't need another block of high rises with cheaply built expensive apartments in SLU!



Peggy Abby

Seattle, WA · Apr 25, 2017

Not so fast!

Richard Ellison Seattle, WA · Apr 24, 2017

More public parks!



April Atwood

Seattle, WA · Apr 24, 2017

Please give the community more time to become involved in the use of this public land! Why are you rushing to sell it off to a private developer? There is so little land left, and the public is rarely given a chance to be involved in its use.



Nathan White Seatule, WA - Apr 25, 2017

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10 more people signed in the last day

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RECENT SUPPORTERS

Avril McLane

Seattle, WA · Apr 26, 2017

I'm signing because I want to slow down the sale of public spaces. And I want the community voice to be heard, not silently swept away. Don't it always seem to go / That you don't know what you've got til its gone / They paved paradise / And put up a parking lot - Joni Mitchell



Ike Elaine

Seattle, WA · Apr 26, 2017

I am signing on in support of those who live and work in the SLU without the benefit of open space ... given time, they leave because green space is a necessity, not merely an amenity. Why not stay in San Francisco where city leadership safeguards open space? Patricia McCall

Seattle, WA - Apr 26, 2017

I was born & raised in Seattle and would like a thoughtful, planned strategy for our continued growth. A plan that takes parking, traffic and the need for green space into consideration.



Toni Reineke Seattle, WA · Apr 26, 2017



Adrienne Ross Seattle, WA · Apr 26, 2017

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RECENT SUPPORTERS



Scott Bonjukian

Seattle, WA · Apr 27, 2017

We need public land for schools, parks, and city owned housing. Keep this property in the public trust!



Grace Stiller Renton, WA · Apr 26, 2017

Public spaces should be kept for the public use - green spaces and parks are needed in urban areas. This land should not sold to developers. The public needs time to voice their sentiment on a potential sale. Matt Adkins

Seattle, WA · Apr 26, 2017

South Lake Union and Uptown are ready for a community center, this is an excellent opportunity to deliver one to the area.

Martin Westerman Seattle, WA · Apr 30, 2017

Ryan Packard

Seattle, WA · Apr 27, 2017

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Croll, Timothy

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RECENT SUPPORTERS



jalair Box

austin watson

Seattle, WA · May 04, 2017

May Day meeting? Seriously? No. Take more time please.

i agree



Heather Hudson Seattle, WA · May 04, 2017

Seattle, WA · May 04, 2017

It's is important, in a democracy, to respect the concerns of voters. It is important in a community, to foster public spaces and community recreation.



Angela Gerrald Seattle, WA · May 04, 2017



John Barber Seatlle, WA May 04, 2017

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Carolyn DeCook Seattle, WA

20 hrs ago

Cronyism isn't good for the city!

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Jules James Seattle, WA

20 hrs ago

Public land should be surplussed and sold on a bi-annual schedule by a standardized public process, not peicemeal to political friends and family with the public only able to veto with outrage.

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Toby Thaler Scattle, WA

22 hrs ago

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	audia Kiyama attle, WA
3	days ago
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Pamela Kilborn-Miller Seattle, WA

3 days ago

This proposal is extremely important to support. Thanks to Seattle Green Spaces Coalition for proposing it.

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Sheila Edwards Kirkland, WA

3 days ago

Balance the city with green space for birds, bugs, rain garden with reclaimed water, pea patch, gathering open spaces needed! please save it.

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Susan Fried Seattle, WA

2 wks ago

Seattle needs more green space!! Despite being located in the evergreen state it's very difficult to find green spaces in Seattle with trees.



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Is SLU the fastest-changing urban neighborhood in America?



Seattle Green Spaces Coalition

Apr 27, 2017 — That's the question addressed by The Seattle Times. In the meantime very few community members in attendance at 4.25.17 meeting. Voices needed at the only meeting specific to this parcel on 5.1.17 at 7 p.m. at MOHAI. What's needed in SLU? Please spread the word on this.



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Seattle Green Spaces Coalition

Apr 28, 2017 — Will the city listen to pedestrians on Mercer? What about residents starting one block north on Roy?



Mercer Mess traffic improvement creates issues for pedestrians

by: Henry Rosoff Updated: SEATTLE - At 68-years-young Carolyn Mawbey is still out and about almost every day. "I would prefer to... http://www.kiro7.com

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May 1, 2017 — We have asked the city to reschedule tonight's meeting even as the Seattle Police Department warned of traffic disruptions and issued tips for local businesses on securing their premises during evening hours. Scheduled four days before the deadline for public comments to be included to City Council on this half-block in SLU. Only public hearing on SLU land sale on May Day? No wonder there's a need to protest.



Please Plan Ahead for Traffic Impacts on #MayDaySea 2017

Monday is May Day, which means you'll see a large crowd winding its way through the Central District and downtown Seattle throughout the... http://spdblotter.seattle.gov

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Seattle City Light considers their outreach done



Seattle Green Spaces Coalition

May 3, 2017 — Jesseca and Tim, We would like real public engagement in South Lake Union, Dexter, Cascade, Uptown, and Eastlake Neighborhoods. The surplus City Light property is one of the few remaining parcels of City-owned land that could be used for public benefit. Plymouth Housing is interested in affordable housing. People who live and work in the area may support this, but you have not engaged them.

Tim Croll told me that he met with only 2 groups: South Lake Union Community Council and South Lake Union Chamber of Commerce, and that SCL's outreach is finished.

Very few people attended the (poorly publicized) Community Engagement meeting and only 4 people (besides Seattle Green Spaces Coalition folks) attended the Public Hearing — see photo below. This is inadequate. The Public Hearing is insufficient to inform City Council because it was poorly advertised and poorly attended.

Yesterday at the South Lake Union Community Council presentation, DON representative Sahar Fathi said that to have inclusive outreach and engagement, it is necessary to "go to there the people are, instead of expecting people to come to us." She gave the example of "Pop-Ups." If DON knows that public meetings are not working with millenials, why has the public engagement process stopped after two unsuccessful meetings?

We have requested that you hold events on-site to let people know about the Roy Street Shops land and landmark building.

We demand that SCL and DON have a real community engagement process. We agree with Speaker Frank Chopp that it would be beneficial to have real engagement. Seattle Green Spaces Coalition was informed of the disposition process for this site on April 5th. That is not enough time for getting out the word about the potential sale of the land and landmark building. Over 80 people have signed an online petition at Change.org demanding real public engagement for the disposition of this important site.

Sincerely,

Mary Fleck, Co-Chair, Seattle Green Spaces Coalition



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This is what you get when you hold a "Public Hearing" on May 1 --- barely anyone shows up. Tell the City that we demand real public... https://www.facebook.com

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Friday, May 5, 2017

Larry Weis CEO, Seattle City Light Seattle Municipal Tower 700 5th Ave., Suite 3200 Seattle, WA 98104

Scott Kubly Director, Seattle Dept. of Transportation Seattle Municipal Tower 700 5th Ave., Suite 3900 Seattle, WA 98104 Steve Walker Director, Seattle Office of Housing Seattle Municipal Tower 700 5th Ave., Suite 5700 Seattle, WA 98104

Fred Podesta Director, Seattle Office of Finance & Administrative Services Seattle Municipal Tower 700 5th Ave, Suite 4350 Seattle, WA 98104

RE: Affordable Housing Development in South Lake Union

Dear Mr. Weis, Dir. Kubly, Dir. Walker, Dir. Podesta;

The South Lake Union community is in need of affordable housing to relieve the critical burden of families spending more than half their income on housing and the rapidly increasing demand from the workforce and others to live within reasonable proximity to their place of employment.

With the SLU Community Council unanimously adopting a Position Advocating for Affordable Housing and the City Council's unanimous approval of the recent Downtown/South Lake Union up-zone, our community in partnership with the City seeks to look resourcefully at readily available solutions within the City's jurisdiction to implement affordable housing options in South Lake Union.

As you are aware, land availability and cost are significant barriers to developing affordable units in South Lake Union. Additionally, we have concerns that funds generated by the up-zone may not necessarily stay in South Lake Union to immediately build-out affordable housing options.

The South Lake Union residential, business and non-profit community seeks your participation in working with us on a path forward, potentially looking at the opportunity of 10 of 12 non-park City-owned properties (SDOT, City Light, Finance & Administrative Services) in the neighborhood designated as "surplus" and/or have potential as a resource for affordable housing (please see the attached map).

Among these are the SDOT Streetcar Maintenance Facility site (318 Fairview Ave N) that with a planned expansion has the opportunity for co-development, 620 Aurora Ave. N., which has been evaluated as desirable by the affordable housing community, and a triangular parcel adjacent to 321 Taylor Ave. North. The Seattle City Light property at 8th and Roy St. has also been evaluated by affordable housing developers as having potential.

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While we understand that City properties under the jurisdiction of City Light must be sold for the true and full value of the property and that should they be repurposed cannot be used for nonutility functions or activities, we strongly encourage exploration of innovative solutions that would allow the City to maintain control of designated properties in South Lake Union, but under another jurisdiction.

Co-development relationships could allow the properties to function in their primary service to the utility while also addressing affordable housing demand. In the case of the 8th and Roy property, at one point the structure was remodeled and used for a period as an overnight emergency shelter for the homeless.

Transfer of jurisdictional ordinance is another potential solution through standard contract of up to 10 years, or potentially longer as permissible for properties of substantial value.

Additionally, HALA recommendation L.1 calls out to "Prioritize Use of Public Property for Affordable Housing". The recommendation specifically notes, "for City-owned property, the City should mandate that surplus and underutilized properties that are suitable for housing development be prioritized for affordable housing. It should explicitly allow the sale or lease of City-owned land at less than fair market value for affordable housing purposes, recognizing that this comes at a cost to other city needs and general funds."

With required minimum down payment thresholds on the property acquisition, an interest rate based on historically low market rates and a long-term lease effected between the acquiring jurisdiction and the affordable housing developer, assigning surplus City properties to meet affordable housing demand becomes economically viable and efficient and provides the City and public with an internal and expedient solution.

We ask that each of you and/or members of your organizations as you see fit meet with a select group of SLU community leaders to identify potential resources and chart a path forward on this issue.

Please let us know date and time options that would work for each of you to pursue this.

Sincerely,

Mike McQuaid President, SLU Community Council

Curt Archambault President, SLU Chamber

cc: Mayor Ed Murray; Seattle City Councilmembers Lisa Herbold, Bruce Harrell, Kshama Sawant, Rob Johnson, Debora Juarez, Mike O'Brien, Sally Bagshaw, Tim Burgess, Lorena González; Sam Assefa, Director, Seattle Office of Planning & Community Development; Catherine Lester, Director, Seattle Human Services; Ketil Freeman, Seattle City Council Central Staff; Jon Scholes, President & CEO, Downtown Seattle Assoc.

Attachments: Map of surplus City of Seattle Properties in South Lake Union; SLU Equitable Housing Position

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Croll, Timothy

[≂]rom: ⊉nt: To: Subject: Stephanie Marie Hindman Monday, May 08, 2017 12:20 AM SCL_RealProperty Surplus land - South Lake Union.

To whom this may concern,

I was informed that the City of Seattle own 1/2 blocks of land in South Lake Union, which to my understanding is being classified as "surplus" land. This land could be used for something other than development. The city needs more green spaces, especially if the added population to the area with the increased amount of people moving into Seattle.

I urge you to reconsider this land not as a surplus, but rather as land that can covered to a park for the benefit of all Seattle residnets.

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Thank you much,

-Stephanie