



Vernon Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Date & Time	May 19, 2021
Board Members	Christine Laliberte, Allan Whiting, Lauren Ross, Brooks Barth, Angie Rickard
Neighbors	none
Speakers or Guests	Jake Warr and Meghan Hodges from Interstate Bridge Replacement Court Ross from Alberta Co-Op Grocery re: Alberta bathroom

ACTION ITEMS

Person responsible	Notes
AR	Find out info on Alberta toilet - i.e. how to involve city
BB	Reach out to SOLV Oregon to inquire about trash cleanup day
AW	Reach out to Vernon School for Alberta Park clean up interest
All	Review by-laws / working documents Sign equality and inclusivity policy
CL	Contact Free Fridge about partnering for toilet

AGENDA

- I-5 Interstate Bridge Replacement Program - Jennifer Lutman
- Bathroom on Alberta St. discussion - Courtney to join us
- Volunteer opportunity- discuss date(s) & logistics
- Alberta park working days
- Vernon neighborhood cleanup
- Discuss VNA bylaws/NEAT (Northeast Action Team) structure
- Community of Hope Virtual Gala Update
- Hey Neighbor!
- Deadline June 5th, gets to neighbors ~July 5
- Clean Air Update?

MEETING SUMMARY

I-5 Interstate Bridge Replacement Program

- Bridge needs to be modernized due to earthquake risk and other issues such as traffic, public transportation, bike and pedestrian access
- Just received \$80M from the states of Oregon and Washington
- Looking to engage the community during the planning process in order to do no further harm to marginalized groups
- Currently in planning phase. Design phase will start in 2024 and construction in 2025.
- More info about the project and public meetings at <https://www.interstatebridge.org/>.

Bathroom on Alberta St.

There is a need for a public bathroom/toilet on Alberta street for shoppers and the houseless.
Possible locations:

- 14th at the end of the dead end street
- Lot at 21st
- On a shared border with another neighborhood

Other ideas:

- Reach out to Free Fridge org to partner
- How to petition the city to put one in (e.g. Portland Loo)
- Reach out to other neighborhoods
- Create QR code "Gotta pee?" to get info out

Volunteer opportunity- discuss date(s) & logistics

Two options: Alberta park working days or Vernon neighborhood trash cleanup
Can do one or both

Discuss VNA bylaws/NEAT (Northeast Action Team) structure • Vision statement - add to VNA website

Board will review offline and provide comments
When ready add Vision Statement to website
Board members to sign equity and inclusion policy.

Community of Hope Virtual Gala Update

We have \$50 to donate to the Gala.
Anyone can attend the virtual Gala

Hey Neighbor!

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We'll include a notice about the clean up events and the Alberta toilet

June meeting to be held in person on June 23 at Alberta Park!