



JNA General Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2017

Approximately 35 neighbors in attendance.

Welcome Everyone!

Doug provided a review of JNA activities and invited everybody to the Welcome to Kirkland event.

Chief Harris of the Kirkland Police discussed how the police officers remembered the September 11th tragedy this morning. The police department has more staff than they had in the Spring. Additional staff is allowing the police department to serve the community better. Kirkland will take over animal control from King County and start its Animal Control service in January 2018. This will include some new animal ordinances. Chief Harris discussed the Kirkland Police Strategic Plan and how they want to be more proactive and less reactive. There are more officers that can do investigative and detective work. Chief Harris discussed several examples of how the police is using teamwork and partnership to meet its strategic goals. Collisions are the number one call that police respond to. There has been a spike in motor vehicle thefts, including motorcycles. Don't leave your garage door opener in your car. There is also an increase in mental health, drug abuse, and suicide calls. Please refer people who are in a crisis to a helpline or help center. The number one crime the police investigates is a car prowler. Chief Harris gave several examples of car prowler investigations that led to arrest. Please do not leave anything visible in your car. Please call if you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood.

Brian Buck from Lake Washington School District (LWSD) discussed the rebuild and enlargement project of Juanita High School. Thank you to all the voters that passed the LWSD bond. He discussed some details about the new building and how it will be an improvement over the existing 1971 building. The project will be done in phases with demolition in the summer and construction during the school year. The new high school will open in Fall 2020 with the phase construction. Brian Buck showed us some design pictures of the new building.

Brian Magee discussed City Public Works projects and Neighborhood Safety Projects. He discussed the 100th AVE NE Corridor Design map in the back of the room. The 100th AVE NE project is at 60% design. Brian answered questions about the project and how it has changed since the last update.

Christian Knight answered questions about the Juanita Drive Quick Wins project. There are no updates on when the sidewalk will be finished in front of the Indian Restaurant on 100th AVE NE. Christian discussed the bike lane widening and improvement efforts.

Ken Albinger reviewed the Juanita Neighborhoods Association budget.

Brian Magee discussed the Neighborhood Safety Program. The JNA can suggest up to two projects at a total of \$50,000 for both. Brian discussed past projects and possible project ideas in the neighborhood. Residents can submit projects through the Suggest-A-Project website through September and through the JNA email.



Windsor Vista Park Project needs volunteers. The Windsor Vista Park Project has funding but it needs a champion and a coordinator.

Karen Lightfeldt discussed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program.

Karen Lightfeldt provided a history and an update on the Michaels rezone. The developer is no longer pursuing the development of the project.

The Friends of Juanita Beach is forming a group to improve the beach. One of their goals is to move the Juanita Beach Bathhouse project forward and with opportunities for public feedback. The Friends of Juanita Beach also want to push the city to complete the projects in the Master Plan from 2006.

If you would like to join the JNA Board, please let us know!

The next JNA General Meeting is November 13, 2017.

Michael Cogle will be at the next meeting to discuss Parks Projects.

CenterCal is also scheduled to come to our next meeting to discuss the Totem Lake project.