



**Council and Steering Committee  
General Meeting  
January 6, 2016  
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Gilkey Community Room  
Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture  
2316 W. First Ave**

**The following people signed in at the meeting:**

Julie Biggerstaff	Mary Fulton	Jason Nechanichy	MaryLou Sproul
Rick Biggerstaff	Amanda Hamilton	Karl Otterstrum	Kathleen Weinand
Kim Engel	Michael Harves	Don Skillingstad	Karl Zacher
Tim Finneran	Christor Loftenins	Dawn Spickler	

**Welcome, Introductions - Rick Biggerstaff**

**Item for Vote - Approval of November's minutes**

Amanda Hamilton made a motion to approve November's minutes. It was seconded and approved.

**Item for Information - Treasurer report – Julie Biggerstaff**

Expenses for December

\$11.00 Banquet/liquor permit for BANC holiday party  
\$ 4.99 web domain registration (will be terminated since the city is taking this over)

Balances as of October 31, 2015

\$4,485.55	Savings:	\$2,844.46	Concert Series	\$576.29	Checking
\$2,422.85	Coeur d'Alene Park	\$8,099.04	MMA		
<u>Total:</u> \$18,716.72					

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Items for Information:** STA Central City Line and Strategic Overlay Process update—Karl Otterstrom

- **Project Overview:** The Central City Line is proposed to be a bus route going from SCC through downtown to Browne's Addition. Over \$18 million has been received for a project that could cost over \$72 mill. STA is expecting federal funds and state matching funds. Although the ballot measure failed last April the city is committed to finding funding for the project. The project planning began in 2010 and is expected to be completed in about 2020. Plans will be finalized by summer of 2016.
- **Impact on Browne's Addition:** The exact route through Browne's Addition hasn't yet been determined. There are concerns about where it will be in reference to housing and STA wants to be respectful of those concerns. Changes will affect the #60 and #61 buses. It's expected that the frequency will increase during peak hours and there will be increased service at off-peak times and on weekends.
- **Neighborhood Input:** To finalize decisions, a steering committee has been established with 20 individuals who represent businesses and property owners, as well as neighborhoods and schools/universities. Kathie Fritchie is the representative from Browne's Addition with Karl Zacher as the alternate on this committee. On March 1, there will be a workshop with the residents of Browne's Addition to get input about the Central City Line. A preview will be sent out before the workshop. Amanda Hamilton said that she will facilitate scheduling the workshop at the community center.
- **Bus Shelters:** The question was posed about how the line would affect the bus shelters in the neighborhood. It's possible that there could be a bus shelter in the middle of the street since doors are on both sides of the bus. This could benefit the proposed bus shelter on Pacific and Oak. It's suggested that the shelters and other improvements work with the Park Design Plan.

## OLD BUSINESS

### Item for Information:

- STA Central City Line Steering Committee Report – Karl Zacher  
The steering committee meeting included everything that was spoken about by Karl Otterstrom. They will put another bond on the ballot at a future election.
- Community Assembly – Rick Biggerstaff  
Community Assembly Meetings have changed from 1st Friday to 1st Thursday, making it more challenging for Rick to attend. Thanks to Tim Finneran for filling in. The Community Assembly recognizes volunteers every year, and MaryLou Sproul won the nomination for 2015. (*She was surprised and pleased, and thanks those who nominated her.*)
- Neighborhood News – Tim Finneran  
Tim Finneran passed out new brochures highlighting the assets of Browne's Addition. They will be placed throughout the neighborhood. Contact Tim Finneran if you would like some.
- Pedestrian, Transportation & Traffic (PeTT) Committee Report – Mike Harves  
The city has gotten some free bicycle counters to imbed in a roadway to count bicycles on the roads. Money from the installation would be from the traffic calming funding. The PeTT tentatively approved it. The data collected will help shape the future of how we might put bicycle lanes in place. Anyone with transportation concerns should take them to Mike.
- Friends of Coeur d'Alene Park – Julie Biggerstaff  
125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: Art for the Park will be on Saturday, May 21.
  - ✓ Art will be created at the 4 intersections around the park. Professional artists will submit designs and 4 will be chosen to create the art with a team of people. There will be a voting process as a fund raiser. The Parks Dept has waived the fee for the park. Food trucks, local arts and crafts and other fun activities will be in the park that day.
  - ✓ Patti Simpson Ward has created an original piece of art to raffle off as a fund raiser.
  - ✓ A grant will be submitted to the Parks Foundation for the Art for the Park celebration.125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: Concert Series Plans are going forward with planning the concert season as part of the celebration. Conversations are in progress with the symphony to perform at the last concert.  
Overlook Park Project: Interpretive signs will be installed in the spring. Although there was a shortfall of about \$3000 to install them, the Parks Dept will be able to finish the project for us.  
Meetings: There are quarterly meetings of the Friends of CdA Park and everyone is invited to attend. Volunteers will be needed for all the celebrations.
- City Council Yearly Presentation – Rick Biggerstaff  
The annual presentation to the city council will be on January 25. MaryLou Sproul and Rick Biggerstaff will present a PPT that will outline the past, present and future of Browne's Addition.

### Items for Vote – Executive Committee Elections

After counting the ballots the following results were announced.

Rick Biggerstaff retains his position as Chair

Eric Kramer retains his position as Vice-Chair

Julie Biggerstaff retains her position as Treasurer

Amanda Hamilton replaces MaryLou Sproul as Secretary

Tim Finneran retains his position as Communications Officer

Karl Zacher and Mike Harves retain their positions as Members at Large.

It was moved that the voted in positions be accepted with Amanda Hamilton going from member at large to secretary. It was unanimously passed.

**Adjournment was at 8:00.**

**Everyone was invited to the Elk Public House after the meeting**