



Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority (PDA)

**CAPITAL RENOVATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, February 11th, 2008
4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
PDA Conference Room**

Committee Members Present: Bruce Lorig, Gerry Kumata, Bruce Burger, David Ghoddousi

Other Council Members Present: Gloria Skouge, Ann Magnano

Staff Present: Carol Binder, Terry Plumb, James Haydu, Tamra Nisly

Others Present: Rich Cardwell, Val Thomas, Paul Dunn

The meeting discussion began at 4:30 p.m.

I. Administration

Upon noting that members of the SRG team and others were not in attendance, Bruce Lorig loudly and vehemently asserted his great displeasure and stated that this was unacceptable and this was not the agenda he told Carol he wanted. Carol reminded Bruce Lorig that they had discussed the agenda the previous Friday and talked about it. Bruce Burger asked how the day's agenda was determined to which the executive assistant answered that this agenda was brought to the committee at the prior meeting and it was approved at that time and is a direct reflection of that discussion. Bruce Lorig continued to admonish staff for not following his instructions.

Carol Binder left the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Bruce Burger left at 4:35 p.m.

Lorig continued to voice his disapproval of the events. Ann asked if the committee could not move ahead and review what was on the agenda.

II. Fairley/Leland/LaSalle Alternatives

A. Consolidating the Childcare to one level

Terry showed drawings for the Childcare on One Level with attention, per Gerry's request, to how other spaces might be affected. They reviewed how these potential changes and there is a discussion of how the space on both levels might be affected. Terry said they are tentatively scheduled for charrette on Wednesday with the SRG team to discuss Hillclimb alternatives. He reported that he did not have cost estimate for the childcare changes but he hoped to send it out tomorrow. Lorig said that maintaining the childcare is part of the PDA's mission.

Burger rejoined the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

B. Moving PDA Offices

Terry reviewed the potential layout for the offices in the Down Under which illustrated that the amount of space would not be overly generous and would not include security or facilities. It was noted that any tenants who might be displaced would be relocated down into more desirable and viable space near the newly activated Hillclimb. Burger communicated that any drawings for this area should include these tenants in better locations. Terry responded that that could be done. Gerry added that they need to make sure to show that whatever square footage they have currently will be given in better location. Terry noted that the drawing did not include a conference room but would provide for better symmetry between departments. There is discussion of how the current PDA space will be used. A destination opportunity is really ideal for this type of space. Gerry added that the Hillclimb area will need to be reconfigured so that people can see it more clearly. There is also discussion regarding the connection to Post Alley and the Hillclimb. Lorig said that during the Hillclimb charrette they should also think about enlivening Post Alley.

C. Hillclimb

The Hillclimb discussion focused on the elevator place and how the elevator will connect to the stairs. Gerry commented that as the elevator will only be one car the stairs will still need to carry the majority of traffic and should tie in to the other levels. Val noted his preference for placement of the elevator inside the building as this would not disrupt the view. Ann said she would like to have the stairs as wide as possible so as to create small plazas where people could gather. Lorig asked if the committee could vote on the location to the elevator. Bruce moved and Gerry seconded. Ann asked how they could vote on the elevator location when they do not know the details of the Hillclimb. Lorig asked for agreement from the committee that the preference for the location of the elevator would be inside the building near Flower Row. The committee agreed unanimously.

III. Review of Polling Survey

James reported on the polling results from the city survey and the overall outcome was that the public would support the basic needs improvements but not other improvements. 78% of the people polled felt strongly favorable about the Market. They were also 64% supportive of a tax levy especially as this will not raise taxes but will only be a reallocation of the park levy funds which are expiring. This will be the crux of the levy campaign. The numbers in the polling result show that last year's messaging was effective and that people generally agree on the infrastructure improvements and the installation of bathrooms and elevators.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m. by Bruce Lorig.

Meeting minutes submitted by:
Tamra Nisly, Executive Assistant