Auke Bay Neighborhood Association Organizational Meeting Minutes UAS Recreation Center 11/1/17, 7:00 pm

Chaired by Dave Klein, former member of the Auke Bay Steering Committee

Attendance: 30

- 1. Introduction of Auke Bay Steering Committee: present was Dave Klein, Lawrence Lee Oldaker, and Nathan Leigh.
- 2. Why a neighborhood association: after the Auke Bay Area Plan was finished, it seemed like a natural next step. The association was being formed not as a reaction to anything specific but largely due to the growing interest and development in Auke Bay.
- 3. CBJ Presentation: Rob Steedle, Community Director and Beth McKibben, Planning Manager
 - a. The CBJ has code supporting the development of neighborhood associations
 - b. The code is very broad, allowing the neighborhood lots of flexibility in making decisions for the neighborhood
 - c. The most important thing: forming allows the City to communicate concerns or issues about the neighborhood to a neighborhood association. The City really need input when development proposals come before the City.
 - d. The City primarily sends out mailings about things happening within boundaries of a neighborhood, but sometimes they miss members who fall just outside the boundaries or the mail isn't always reliable. Having a neighborhood association allows the city a more reliable way of getting information out to those engaged in the neighborhood.
- 4. Reviewed the Auke Bay website: <u>www.aukebay.org</u>
 - a. Has relevant documents to the Auke Bay Area Plan and other communications from Auke Bay to the city.
 - b. Has relevant city resources for neighborhood associations
 - c. Has information about how to sign up for regular email updates
 - d. Has a blog feature
- 5. Other ways to stay connected
 - a. Friends of Auke Bay Facebook page
 - b. Next Door
- 6. Garrett Schoenberger and Paul Simpson new owners of the old Horton's Hardware/UAS Admin Services Building

- a. Former Auke Bay/Juneau kids
- b. Alaska Legacy partners to acquire commercial real estate and invest in small businesses in Juneau. Very interested in creating forward thinking developments in Auke Bay.
- c. Reviewed the Auke Bay Area plan, the developments in the highway and in Statter Harbor and are envisioning creative development to compliment and enhance the neighborhood.
- d. Seeking tenants for the building. Envisioning a marketplace, brew pub, restaurant, café. Multiple tenants.

7. Concerns

- a. Everyone in attendance was supportive of the neighborhood association
- b. Request for advance communication as often as possible
- c. Discussion about items of business beyond the formation of the board and bylaws, to include a review of the Auke Bay Area Plan, Q&A with local business owners or representatives from the city to discuss operations in the area, info meetings around community safety, for example.
- d. Discussion about the value of a neighborhood association to informing the city on issues, ideas, concerns and preferences of the neighborhood.