



Faye Wright Neighborhood Association
Thursday, December 8, 2022 • 7:00 PM
Neighborhood Services, 503-540-2303

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Please join our **Zoom meeting**. [Click here](#) for Zoom link.

Call in number: 1 253 215 8782

Meeting ID: 851 8854 9644

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Meeting Agenda

- **Welcome**
 - Acceptance of the Agenda
 - Agenda accepted
 - Introductions – Bev Ecklund (chair), Laurie Shaw Casarez (with city of Salem), Shawn Range (Board member), Blake Shelide (vice chair), Trevor Philips (city councilor), Sue Hecox (Land Use Chair, Board Member), Sergeant Jeff Wiedemann
 - Approval of the Minutes
 - Minutes approved (attendees not listed, so board will add attendees that we can remember to the November meeting minutes)
- **City Reports**
 - Police – Sergeant Wiedemann
 - Annual Toy Drive going on now, 36th year of the event. Toys for newborn through 14 years old. New unwrapped toys can be dropped off at Salem PD, Power Kia, Cycle Country, South Commercial Auto Sales, or White Oak Construction. Wrapping supplies also accepted. Wrapping events. Contact Jennifer Hingston, 503-588-6123 ext. 7119 if interested in participating
 - Lots of pedestrian and vehicle accidents reported. Please be mindful of pedestrians, cyclists, etc.
 - Minor equipment issues can be brought to Salem PD and drivers can be given a voucher to help pay for repair to minor equipment issues



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- City Councilors

- Councilor Philips

- Overview of recent council activity, no major items recently in terms of regular work
 - Continues to recommend covid and flu vaccines. Has not had a recent shift at his job (emergency room doctor) where multiple patients don't test positive for the flu. Also RSV and covid are out there.
 - Lighting of the Christmas Tree at Riverfront Park was this past weekend.
 - Final free leaf hall of the year is this Saturday December 10 at Brown Island landfill, 9am-3pm
 - Has talked with city manager and mayor to discuss potentially holding FWNA meetings back at schools (similar to pre-covid). Councilor Nordyke also asked.

- Councilor Nordyke

- Recent holiday parade, city council voted to financially support the holiday parade
 - Reference to recent quote she same across "Imagine if we measured success by the amount of safety that people felt in our presence".
 - City snapshot
 - Climate Action Plan – grant funding coming from PGE to support EV infrastructure
 - Southeast Salem will get Oregon's first community microgrid
 - Supporting downtown business and housing. Discussion of former Whitlock Vacuum store. Same company that bought and developed Fork 40 Food Hall has purchased this property. Location will have private businesses on the main floor and housing on the upper floor
 - Statewide shortage of affordable housing. Not just a Portland problem, not just an urban problem, it is a statewide program. Salem and 24 other cities are "severely rent burdened". This means that 25% of renters or more spend more than 50% of their



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- income on rent.
 - Council has been working hard on affordable housing and shelter projects around the city.
 - Also Navigation Center construction is underway. Church of the Park microshelters on Turner Road will house up to 40 guests, 18-24 years old
 - Council voted to extend emergency declaration to continue homeless services
 - Minto-Island conservation area – closed 12/8 and 12/9 to plant new variety of native plants along the trail.
 - Economic Development Report – will provide an update at a future meeting
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- Questions for Police or City Councilors
 - Laurie Shaw Casarez- City's Youth Development Education Coordinator to share information about the ILEAD Youth Summit
 - Heard that FWNA is interested in engaging younger folks to be involved in Neighborhood Association. She works most frequently with adolescents.
 - FWNA is interested in getting a teen or younger person on the board, for some diversity of representation
 - Has worked with teens for 25 years, loves to invest in young people.
 - Youth Development, Coordination, and Outreach Coordinator for City of Salem for 14 years
 - Try to anchor work in research based best practices for prevention of risky behavior. Try to engage youth to take pride in neighborhoods, schools, etc.
 - 40 Developmental Assets – Search Institute. If young people have these 40 assets, they are more likely to thrive. A way to create a safer, stronger community as a whole. Can be as simple as demonstration through a friendly wave on the sidewalk or as complex as a program for youth engagement. Encourages all neighbors to think about this when they see teens.
 - 4 topic areas: Work, Serve, Lead, and Thrive – want youth to be involved



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in some measure of these aspects

- Specific focus on Leadership tonight – ILEAD Summit coming up February 25, 2023, will be held at the new Boys and Girl’s Club. Coordinated by the city. Available not just for Salem-Keizer schools, but also for Marion-Polk county and others. Free event.
- Goal of ILEAD Summit is to give teens something they can apply (health, leadership, life readiness, etc.). Want youth to leave the summit feeling better, more prepared, and see themselves as leaders.
- <https://www.cityofsalem.net/community/things-to-do/youth-families-old/ilead-youth-summit>
- Youth are also involved with planning the summit
- Hope that at some point the leadership qualities and skills from this summit will trickle into Neighborhood Association and other community involvement
- ILEAD Impact Awards are also part of the program. Awards can be for huge activities or small ones that have a big impact. Nominations are open now, deadline near end of January. Anyone can nominate, but they prefer nominations to come from other teens.
- FNWA Question for Laurie: What is the next step for FWNA to promote FWNA to neighborhood teens? Should we coordinate through Laurie/city, school districts? A: Laurie is happy to help connect, could also go directly to high schools, schools have great staff and outreach coordinators who can help. ASB (Associated Student Body), student government, etc. are also an option. Having a “why” to present to teens and being able to describe the impact to a teen will help with recruiting a potential teen as a board member. Particularly if there is a particular project they can work on, that will help. Potential project for teen involvement: street mural project.

- **New Business**

- Neighborhood issues/concerns/questions
 - Sue Hecox: Comment about the lot and development on the corner of



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Salem Heights and Crawford. FWNA and neighbors successfully appealed to have parking and driving entry/exits redesigned based on positions relative to Crawford street. Recommend everyone to drive by it now and notice how close the structures are to the street. Wishes minimum setbacks were increased.

- **Adjourn**

Next meeting:

January 12, 2023

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