

Collins View SW News article for April, 2020

Our 2020-2021 Board Officer & Committee Chair elections take place at the May 6 meeting. All positions are open to nominees. Any Collins View Neighborhood resident, business or property owner is eligible for nomination. Perhaps you are more interested in participating in certain projects, like Neighborhood Night Out? The 2020 2021 Candidate Slate and descriptions Chart is available on collinsview.org. We know from the conversations on Nextdoor that you are engaged, you care about significant issues, situations and opportunities to enjoy. Attend the Collins View Neighborhood Association meetings and participate, be heard!

The next CVNA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 1, at 7:00 pm at Riverdale High School. Please attend.

Why don't we get a heads up when the city - water, PBOT, or tree work - closes a road? During the first week of February, Maplecrest was closed without advance notice. Drive or Court not specified, no information on how long or for what purpose. Later in February, Kelly was lined with No Parking signs (no advance notice or explanation). (Workman said sewer repair.) February 24 Brugger was closed without notice. (Water department putting in a new line to a house). Supposedly PBOT owns the 'event calendar' for all the streets in Portland. We appreciate the city maintaining our utilities. Informing residents of road closures is more than a courtesy. In the interest of safety and "neighborhood involvement," advance notice on Nextdoor and an email to the Neighborhood Associations is essential.

Some main points discussed at the 3/4/2020 Neighborhood meeting included: Candidate Slate for Board, Committee & project positions; update on multi-neighborhood meeting re problem traffic cut through on the South side of 6th Ave. at Taylors Ferry.

Last month (2/5/2020) we discussed the Water Bureau's taking a look at their unused properties. According to the Water Bureau web site, the Water Tower on Alice @ 2nd has been declared "redundant" for over 5 years, but has never moved from the very first step in the process of selling it.

“Songbirds of SW Portland Parks & Yards,” a FREE presentation by Portland Audubon’s Jay Withgott, will be held in the Multnomah Arts Center Auditorium on Tuesday April 7, 2020, 7-9:00 pm. This is the second of the nature based series of presentations sponsored by Collins View Neighborhood Association. Suggestions for upcoming topics are welcome, as are volunteers to help set up chairs on April 7.

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