

Collins View Neighborhood Association (CVNA)
Formal Board Meeting---Wednesday, November 5, 2008
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Collins View Neighborhood Association (CVNA) held a formal board meeting at Riverdale High School on Wednesday, November 5, 2008.

Transportation—Prakash Joshi reported that Sellwood Bridge plans include 5 options, all of which affect Collins View; and 2 of which include pedestrian and bicycle features. Neighbors are commenting on decreased morning traffic to and from Lewis & Clark. Evening traffic seems a bit heavier, perhaps because of sports teams. We will continue to work with L&C to get list of campus activities. Seasonal leaf pick-up by the city on major streets has begun. CVNA hopes to schedule the annual gravel pick-up for February.

Public Safety—12 burglaries (4 in Collins View) have occurred in our general area in past 1.5 weeks (incl. 9000 and 9100 blocks of Terwilliger; 8200 block of SW 9th). 2 detectives are working on this case. Next monthly meeting of the SWNI Public Safety work group will be tomorrow, Thursday, November 6. (NOTE: At this meeting, Gene Lynard learned that there have been 33 burglaries in SW Portland from October 1 to November 6. Some are believed to be connected.)

Land Use—Dave Johnston reported on development plans for the lot at SW Palatine Hill Rd and Brier Place. The owner has put in "Corner Lot" application with the city which would allow 2 dwellings on this 7000 sq foot lot. Code requires 2 houses must appear to be one; main entrances must be on different streets. But city seems ready to allow some exceptions to this. Dave has sent a letter to express some CVNA concerns about the property owner's proposal, asking the city to adhere to code. Lewis and Clark College will submit their conditional use permit proposal to the city very soon. Dave Ellis will have more to report at December meeting.

Other Topics: As Special Assistant to the Lewis and Clark's Dean of Students (Celestino Limas), Winston Jones has been asked to represent student activities in CVNA discussions (Jones' office phone is 503-768-7168). He continues to work on issues that were raised at the college-CVNA meeting early this fall. Maryellen Read has invited William Warren, Coordinator of the Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) from Portland Office of Emergency Management (POEM), to speak at CVNA's December meeting for 15-20 minutes.

NOTE: Next CVNA Board meeting Wednesday, December 3 at 7 pm at Riverdale High School will be formal board meeting.

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