

LAFAYETTE STREET COMMITTEE MEETING
September 24, 2009

Attendees:

Beth, Mia, Greg, Jen, Jorge, and Wendy

Lafayette Street Tunnel

We would like to review the tunnel design to ensure that public safety issues are adequately addressed agreed to the following follow up items

Jen will contact Harry Reed about the following:

- Who will be project manager
- Will be a review of the plans before going out to bid. If so, we would like to participate. If not, we will request that a review be done to ensure that public safety issues are adequately addressed.
- Is the tunnel related to/dependent on the stormwater improvements proposed for Lafayette and Cascade Park?

Next steps

1. The Committee agreed that our focus should be on the portion of Lafayette between the Railroad and Magnolia.
2. We will coordinate with Indianhead NA and support their efforts where possible. We will communicate with them to avoid competition for resources.
3. It was agreed we need a visual image of our vision for Lafayette Street to enlist the interest and support of businesses elected officials.
 - a. A neighborhood committee will convene in October to prepare a vision for Lafayette Street based on the 1999 streetscape plan.
 - i. Greg will confirm date – a Saturday AM
 - ii. Wendy will get a survey, if one is available. She will check with Genesis
 - iii. Mia and Greg will coordinate with the Board to see who should attend the meeting, in addition of the Committee members. The Committee recommends that in addition to WDNA members, the owner of the new art gallery at 1020 Lafayette Street and Lorraine, the GM at New Leaf also be invited.

- iv. Mia will contact the Art Gallery owner.
 - v. Greg will confirm that we can meet at New Leaf.
 - vi. Mia will prepare a précis of the comments Mary received when she surveyed businesses on Lafayette. Mai will send this out before the visioning meeting.
4. It was agreed we need to meet more frequently, at least in the near term, to keep up with developments and create momentum. A schedule will be decided after the October visioning meetings.