**Transportation and Public Spaces Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

**8:30 – 10:00 am, Seattle Municipal Tower**

Attendees: Mary Snodgrass, Carol Kachadoorian, Jon Morrison Winters, Seth Schromen-Wawrin, Lizzie Moll, Diane Wiatr

1. **Introductions**

* No introductions needed.

1. **Debrief the Meeting with IDIC**

* The committee discussed a few of the transportation challenges identified by IDIC:
  + Bus Stops for the 36 Route are too far away
    1. Help IDIC members with using the new Via system?
       1. For a separate SDOT Transportation Equity project, IDIC was selected as part of a pilot project to increase RRFP enrollment. The project also includes a training/education component that could be leveraged to help IDIC members become more comfortable with light rail and with the new Via to Transit “last mile” rideshare service.
    2. Consider moving the actual bus stop closer to IDIC (107 Route)
       1. Gather data about who would use it; Metro can help with this
       2. Look into Metro’s schedule of assessing routes
       3. Not a top priority for IDIC because the 107 only runs every 30 minutes
  + No sidewalk to building
    1. Carol identified a landscape architect at Toole Design who can help with design ideas for a sidewalk; SDOT can help with general cost estimates
* The first step is to understand more about IDIC’s lease at the church, and whether IDIC intends to stay at that location long-term.
* IDIC’s location falls outside the priority areas for many of the plans for S. Beacon Hill

1. **Debrief the S. Beacon Hill Walks**

* This agenda item was not discussed.

1. **Additional Committee Work**

* Discussion about whether focusing on a few key projects for IDIC felt like a reasonable and achievable amount of work for the committee. The committee agreed that the scale of work was appropriate, particularly given the potential benefits to IDIC.
* In order to scale or replicate this work in other communities, the committee could assemble a “toolkit” that other communities/organizations could use that would include:
  + Potential grant programs
  + How to organize/partner with other organizations to advocate
  + Working with city/county councilmembers, including what you should take to show them (e.g. pictures, data)
  + Greensheets, explained
  + Many of these resources already exist, but they need to be simple, accessible, and focused on older adults
  + Also consider how to make access to resources and connections easy and equitable, e.g. broadly promoting a single point of contact and email address like [agefriendly@seattle.gov](mailto:agefriendly@seattle.gov)
* The committee also discussed the general structure of the Age-Friendly Coalition for Seattle and King County, including the steering committee, work groups, staff, and relationship to Age-Friendly Seattle.
* The committee will monitor the Othello Square project for any potential connections to the work with IDIC.

1. **Next Steps**

* **Jon** will call Lanvin at IDIC; need to determine IDIC’s lease with the church and gauge their interest in the architectural drawings, moving the bus stop, etc.
* **Carol** will continue to work on the plan view drawings and keep the committee in the loop regarding any meetings with IDIC to review the drawings
* **Diane** will call Metro to discuss moving the 107 bus stop in front of IDIC
* **Mary** will start to formalize resources for a toolkit

The committee will keep the scheduled meetings on the calendar, but as work progresses, the meetings may be conference calls or meetings with IDIC at different places and times. Committee members will be notified regarding any changes in meeting schedule.