

WSSC Addition Committee Meeting
Minutes
December 20, 2016, 10:30 a.m.
WSSC – Room 208

WSSC Board Attendance:

Frank Finneran, Chair - WSSC Board Addition Committee
Deryl Brown-Archie, WSSC Board Addition Committee
Jerry Hillis, WSSC Board Addition Committee

WSSC Board Committee Members Absent:

Bob Flowers, WSSC Board Addition Committee
Craig Schafer, WSSC Board Addition Committee

WSSC Staff / Consultants in Attendance:

Jeffrey A. Blosser, WSSC President / CEO
Linda Willanger, WSSC VP Administration
Chip Firth, WSSC Chief Financial Officer
Michael Murphy, WSSC Project Coordinator
Ed Barnes, WSSC VP-Operations
Daniel Johnson, WSSC Admin Services Manager
Matt Hendricks, General Counsel, Hendricks & Bennett
Fred Eoff, Public Financial Management Inc.
Becky Bogard, Bogard & Johnson
Jane Lewis, Pine Street Group
Arnetta Libby, Pine Street Group
Matt Griffin, Pine Street Group
Andy Bench, Pine Street Group
Mark Leahy, Pine Street Group
Gary Smith, Clark-Lewis

Guests:

Stefan Moritz, Unite Here - Local 8

Finneran called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The Committee unanimously approved the consent agenda, and then Finneran asked Griffin to lead the project review. Griffin reminded the Committee that the entitlements are the critical path to starting construction. This includes the FEIS and Design Commission as steps to reach the City Council for the vacations, which is usually the last step to granting the Master Use Permit (MUP). Lewis and Griffin explained more of the detail.

The FEIS is expected to be released in February 2017. This is a necessary step for the Design Commission to vote for passing the project forward to City Council. In the past month, PSG

held an open house to gain public comments on potential public benefits. The NEPA report is expected in late spring.

On the land purchases, the publication of the FEIS is necessary for KC to take action on the Purchase and Sale agreement for its site. The NEPA report is necessary for WSDOT to take action on its parcel.

The next major test on the project cost is Clark/Lewis pricing the Design Development drawings, which will be published on 12/23/16. Work continues on the sources of funds to compensate for the increased interest rates and slower growth in room tax revenues from the report in September 2015. The Committee discussed the timing for engaging the bond underwriters in early 2017. Libby discussed the interim steps with the Department of Commerce.

On quality, Griffin replayed the video from the retreat, which provides the vantage of a customer walking in the entrance at 9th Avenue and Pine Street and then moving up in the building. He stopped on several of the renderings to discuss the progress in the design, the uniqueness of the vantage down Pine Street, and features of the ballroom. Lewis reported on the current steps of the outreach program.

There was no executive session.

On contracts, Bench gave an update on the status of Project Labor Agreement and the “TPSS” contract.

There was no other WSCC Addition business and the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.