



FINN HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE – 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Neighborhood Plan/Holmes Point Tree Ordinance (HPO)

- Attended and spoke at Planning Commission meetings in January, March, April, June, August, September, and October on neighborhood plan; co-hosted (with City) community meeting on plan in October
- Holmes Point residents' ad hoc group met with City staff on monthly basis to redraft HPO; secured emergency ordinance requiring integrated development plans in Holmes Point

Juanita Heights Park Expansion

- Working with City of Kirkland, secured \$250,000 grant from King County Conservation Futures Trust Fund and City match of \$250,000 to acquire open space on next to Juanita Heights Park
- Negotiated property acquisition from landowner adjacent to Juanita Heights Park

Policy

- Continued to participate in the Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods (KAN) representing Finn Hill residents
- Met with Thoreau Elementary administration to discuss community concerns and potential improvements to school walk route safety
- Continued to participate in Kirkland's Neighborhood Safety Program (NSP), including working with the City to implement the following safety projects:
 - Widened shoulder and raised curb along NE 134th St and 84th Ave NE, to improve school walk route safety
 - Improved corner of 87th Ave NE and NE 138th St for pedestrians waiting to cross to/from Thoreau Elementary School
 - Proposed two new projects for 2018 NSP funding
- Represented Finn Hill on Kirkland's Strategic Housing Committee

Stewardship

- Juanita Woodlands: Facilitated six work parties (including Expedia) to remove invasives
- Juanita Heights Park: Organized 4 work parties to remove invasives/restore native vegetation
- Big Finn Hill Park: Organized 11 work parties (including EAS, Latter Day Saints) to remove invasives & reroute/close trails damaged by seasonal ponding. Represented neighborhood in Friends of Big Hill Park. Worked with County and City on remediation of landslide from McDonald subdivision
- O.O. Denny Park: Finn Hill residents Dave Kreul and Ken Goodwin led weekly and quarterly work parties under auspices of Green Kirkland Partnership
- Water management: Completed rain water harvesting system for Inglewood Presbyterian Church and secured a \$20,000 grant from King County to fund to replace culvert with foot bridge over O.O. Denny Creek east of Juanita Drive

Events

- Egg Hunt: In April, organized Finn Hill's first annual egg hunt in Big Finn Hill Park
- Garage Sale: In April, organized annual Finn Hill garage sale, with more than two dozen participating homes
- DennyFest: In August, organized annual neighborhood picnic/celebration featuring live music, food, arts and crafts, kids' activities, dog parade and contest, chili cook-off, and pie bake-off
- Christmas Ships: In December, FHNA supported bonfire & Christmas Ship visit at O.O. Denny with hundreds of cups of hot chocolate

Outreach

- Held neighborhood meeting in March and neighborhood plan open house in October
- Website and social media: Continued to maintain and expand content on the FHNA website (www.FinnHillAlliance.org) – 23,500 click-throughs in 2017 – and Facebook page (Finn Hill Neighborhood Alliance) covering local civic and environmental issues (including monthly meetings of Climate Change Lobby's neighborhood chapters)
- Staffed booths at Wednesday and Friday Night Farmers Markets (downtown Kirkland and Juanita Beach) to publicize Finn Hill issues and promote community engagement

INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT - 2017

INCOME		EXPENSE	
Individual Donations	\$17,256.00	Administrative	\$ 1,380.01
Matching Donations	660.00	Event Expense:	
Interest	24.59	Meetings	573.13
Event Income:		Egg Hunt	1,844.44
Egg Hunt	53.00	DennyFest	9,187.72
DennyFest	1,102.67	Christmas Ships	67.98
Christmas Ships	41.00	<u>Land Acquisition</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
Grants	<u>5,000.00</u>		
Total Income	\$24,137.26	Total Expenses	\$23,053.28

FUNDS BALANCE

Operating Account	\$ 8,887.16
Reserve Savings	5,015.95
Juanita Woodlands	42,163.82
<u>Greenspace</u>	<u>74.09</u>
Total Funds	\$56,141.02

2017 FHNA Officers and Directors

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