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Arboretum & Botanical Garden Committee

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 9:00-10:15am, Online

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ABGC Voting Members

Arboretum Foundation

Jane Stonecipher, Executive Director

Peter Rees, Board President, ABGC Chair

City of Seattle/Seattle Parks Department

Kenan Block, Mayoral Appointee

James Fearn, Mayoral Appointee

Andy Sheffer, Deputy Superintendent, Seattle Parks and Recreation

University of Washington

Sally Clark, Director of Regional and Community Relations

Christina Owen, Director of UW Botanic Gardens, ABGC Vice Chair

Ken Yocom, Professor, College of Built Environments

ABGC Attendees

Rachel Acosta, ABGC Coordinator, Seattle Parks and Recreation

David Graves, Strategic Advisor, Seattle Parks and Recreation

Lisa Chen, Manager, Seattle Parks and Recreation

Ray Larson, Curator, UW Botanic Gardens

Stephanie Shelton, NRU Manager, Seattle Parks and Recreation

9:00am Call to Order and Introductions

David Graves, ABGC Chair

- Consent Items: June 14, 2023 Agenda and May 10, 2023 meeting notes

Changes to Agenda/Minutes:

- Land Acknowledgement: The ABGC acknowledges and affirms the indigenous Coast Salish as the original caretakers of our waters and landscape, who nurtured and shaped today's parkland. We honor their legacy with gratitude and appreciation and will safeguard their knowledge and stewardship as enduring treasures to promote community welfare, cultivate inclusive expressions of nature and recreation and commit to land acknowledgment for each ensuing generation.

9:05am WSDOT Subcommittee Report

Main Discussion Items/Follow-up:

9:10am ABGC Priorities Discussion

Answers to three questions by all:

1. What is the formal role of the ABGC - approval votes (expenditures, programs, projects)? does it include JG projects? Does it include any UWBG/CUH activities?
2. Now that the 520 transfer is substantially complete, what should the major priority of ABGC be?
3. What is the strategy for planning the North End? Is it time for a master plan update?



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9:45am Master Plan Implementation Group

1. Master List of Masterplan Projects (completed, projected, prioritized)
2. Current project Updates

10:05am Partner Updates

University of Washington:

Arboretum Foundation:

Seattle Parks and Recreation:

10:15am Old/New Business

10:30am Adjourn