Meeting Attendees:
Sean Green, Co-Chair
Luke Norman, Co-Chair
Dennis Kennedy, At-Large
Anjala Ehelebe, Woodlawn
DJ Heffernan, Sullivan’s Gulch
Matt Ferris-Smith, At-Large
Leeor Schweitzer, Vernon
Bill Cunningham, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS)
Jay Rogers, Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT)
Nan Stark, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS)
Laura Becker, NECN
Jessica Rojas, NECN

Call to Order, Minutes
Sean Green moved to approve the January 24, 2018 minutes by acclamation.

Better Housing by Design (BHD) Presentation
Bill Cunningham gave a presentation and answered questions regarding the Better Housing by Design Discussion Draft which presents draft zoning code regulations intended to better implement 2035 Comprehensive Plan policies and to improve development outcomes in the multi-dwelling zones. The committee discussed NECN’s position on the draft. After discussion, the committee agreed to send a letter in support of proposed changes through the lens of affordability which specifies concerns around lack of project flexibility and potential hindering of affordable housing development in conservation and historic districts where it remains a significant need. MSC Green/Schweitzer.

Area Parking Permit Program
Jay Rogers and Nicole Powell gave a presentation and answered questions regarding the Area Parking Permit program. With the passage of the parking management toolkit, neighborhoods can apply to pilot a locally tailored parking management plan with PBOT. Data collected from the pilots will inform the program that PBOT will offer to neighborhoods city-wide. The committee asked staff to return in the summer with results from the pilots.

Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) Updates
Nan presented updates from BPS and encouraged the committee to continue to send comments and feedback in support of progressive ideas which are important for the city to hear.

Announcements and Neighborhood Updates:
Vernon: Leeor has joined the board of the neighborhood association
Woodlawn: New pizza parlor, Ranch

Sean asked committee members for feedback on a proposal discussed at the last Design Review Advisory Committee (DRAC) to allow additional Floor Area Ratio (FAR) for high performance energy-efficient development. The committee agreed to put the topic in the ‘parking lot’ for discussion at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.