

Roland Park E-letter

Web Editor's E-letter

December 21, 2009

1. Trash to Be Picked up from Front Streets not Back Alleys.

I received a press release from the city today, as follows: because of impassably snowy conditions in most of the city's alleys, trash and recyclables collections will until further notice be from in front of residents' houses, not behind. You may call 311 for further information.

However, the important thing is, until you hear otherwise, put your cans out front, not out back.

2. Master Plan Topic Facilitators Finalized.

The roster of topic facilitators for the master-plan issue areas has been finalized. The charrette itself, last November, revealed a certain overlap among some of the charrette breakout-group topics. As such, the organizers have collapsed certain topics or made previously freestanding topics into subtopics of other issues.

The contact personnel are these:

A. Steering Committee.

Seema Iyer, Al Copp, Amy Bonitz, Ken Rice, David Tufaro and Phil Spevak.

A.1. Transportation Subcommittee.

Matthew Fitzsimmons and Chris McSherry.

A.2. Commercial/Retail Subcommittee.

Ken Rice, Amy Bonitz, Jennifer Vey and Ann Powell.

A.3. Infrastructure Subcommittee.

Ian Macfarlane, Addison Palmer and Bill Sharpe.

A.4. Green/Open/Recreational Space Subcommittee.

Jackie Carrera, Lynn Heller and Jean Mellot.

A.4.1. Roland Water Tower Workgroup.

Suzanne Frasier.

A.5. Housing Subcommittee.

David Blumberg and Sidney Brower.

A.5.1. Historical Preservation Workgroup.

Donald Kann, Michael Braverman and Jesse Halvorsen.

A.5.2. Residential Design Standards Workgroup.

Tom Liebel.

A.6. Livability Subcommittee.

Janet Felsten.

A.6.1. Education Workgroup.

Tom Hoen.

A.6.2. Intergenerational Matters Workgroup.

Susan Newhouse.

If you are curious about getting involved in one of the issue areas listed above, please contact the appropriate people. They will be happy to put your interest and skills to constructive use. All these folks can be contacted electronically through the RolandPark.org master-plan metablog page at <http://rolandpark.org/MasterPlanMetaBlog>.

Please let your voice be heard through the user-friendly forums accessible through the metablog page. I have no intention of being shy myself, so no one else should be.

3. Marianist Demolition Photos: Success!

Thanks to the responses of five readers of the last e-letter, I was able to get in touch with Evergreen resident Dorret Oosterhoff, whose moving photos of the last days of the Marianist Building I had previously found on line. Dorret has now kindly consented to the photos' use on the Marianist Building page of the Roland Park web site. They may be seen here: <http://www.rolandpark.org/Marianist>.

Best regards,

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