

**Yesler Terrace Citizen Review Committee
People Sub-Committee
November 8, 2012**

Attendees:

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Maureen Kostyak
James Erickson
Art Rea
Fadumo Isaq
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SHA Staff:

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Sven Koehler
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Meeting Summary

1. Cindy Srihibhadh and Sven Koehler presented a draft outline of the Phase I Relocation Plan to be submitted to the Seattle Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and Seattle City Council before the end of 2012.
 - a. In the first phase of relocation, 121 units will be demolished in 2014 to start construction of Phase 2A and 2B buildings, which will include a total of 174 new units.
 - b. The Scope and Summary of the draft Yesler Terrace Relocation Plan focuses on the first 113 households that require relocation.
2. Attendees raised questions about considerations made for families with school-aged children, child-care providers, and gardeners. Seattle Housing Authority staff explained moving expenses to be covered by Seattle Housing and the current and ongoing outreach and consultation provided to residents. Below is a summary of questions and answers provided to the CRC People Sub-committee attendees:

Question 1: Considering that there are many residents who take part in urban farming at Yesler now to supplement their income or to feed themselves, how is this being considered? Will there be a policy for providing priority for Yesler residents in getting space in the new P-Patches? Will this be reflected in Relocation Plan or rather in the development guidelines for the greater project.

Currently, Yesler Terrace contains 0.3 acres of p-patch/community gardens. At all times during the redevelopment, SHA will provide access to a minimum of 0.3 acres of P-Patch Community Gardens. Overall the new Yesler development will include 1 acre of P-Patch/Community Gardens. As noted in the Cooperative Agreement in Section 9, The City of Seattle P-Patch Community Garden Program will prioritize public housing residents to have access to gardening

plots. The Department of Neighborhoods and SHA have an existing Inter-local agreement and the use of Horiuchi Park (to be completed in 2013) and prioritization of residents will be added to the Memorandum of Agreement. Most recently, there have been design workshops for the new Horiuchi Park P-patch and current Yesler residents are participating in these workshops. The CRC Neighborhood Sub-committee will revisit this topic at their January meeting.

Question 2: What kind of contact are you having with teachers so they can give advice to residents about how switching schools may affect the education of their children?

Households with school-aged children will not be required to move during the school year. Families with school-aged children will receive counseling on school options if desired. Seattle Housing Authority staff will follow-up with Bailey-Gatzert Elementary administrators and educators to identify a resource at the school, such as a teacher, who may be able to provide additional guidance to families considering school options. Seattle Housing Authority will also engage their educational partner, Seattle University to identify additional resources, such as the Education Engagement Specialist for Yesler Terrace, a position that is currently undergoing the hiring process. SHA staff have an upcoming meeting planned with Bailey-Gatzert staff to discuss relocation and counseling options and will raise CRC concerns.

Question 3: Are you planning on phasing future construction to keep up with the number of residents that require relocation so they can move directly into new housing?

Future phases of construction and relocation have not been decided yet and will depend largely on property sales. Once a Master Developer is selected in early 2013, SHA expects to continue planning in more detail for the future phases of Yesler Terrace redevelopment. Per the Cooperative Agreement with the City, SHA will ensure 281 units with Federal Operating Subsidies are located and habitable within Yesler Terrace at all times.

Question 4: How many bedrooms will Phase 1 include and will there be units that accommodate families?

In the Baldwin Apartments, there will be 15 one-bedroom units of replacement housing.

For the 1105 E Fir property: Replacement housing includes 39 one-bedroom units, 35 two-bedroom units, 5 three-bedroom units, and 4 four-bedroom units. Housing available to those at 60% Area Median Income include 14 one-bedroom units, 1 two-bedroom unit, 2 three-bedroom units, and 2 four-bedroom units.