

## **RBCC Membership Meeting – August 14, 2019**

### Board Members, Trustees and Others in Attendance:

Tom Beck  
Anne Nolan

Alan Ross  
Gerd Prewett

Ruth Cousineau  
Joan Krueger  
14 other attendees

Building Committee – Door and carpet work all done. Hats off to Kthy for arranging the funding via B2B!

Tech Committee – WiFi installed!

Finance Committee – Reports \$33.6K in savings and checking.

Social Committee - Games & Brews Night on 9/14 at 7 pm. Keegan seeks volunteers.

Membership Committee - No news

Featured Speaker. - James Le of Seattle's Dept of Transportation spoke on changes made and planned to Rainier Avenue to improve safety and flow of buses. Phase 1 addressed corridor from Columbia City to Hillman City – lanes were changed to one NB and one SB, with a center lane for turns. James reported a 15% reduction in crashes. Phase 2 is in process and will essentially do the same for the corridor from Hillman City to Henderson, which is more challenging since it curves and has non perpendicular intersections which both impact bus trolley overhead lines. James showed how crosswalk visibility will be improved and crosswalk cycling will be reduced from 120 to 90 seconds. He also said that RapidRide would come by 2024.

### Announcements

- An RBCC member urged support for initiative 1000 that prohibits age and gender discrimination and calls for expanded veterans' affirmative action and small business opportunities.
- Ruth Cousineau advised the membership that there would be a pop-up chess competition on 8/18 from 1-3 pm at Chess Park.
- A member advised that she would be opening a pre-school at her house in the neighborhood, called "Creative Beginnings".
- Alan announced that there would be a Fall plant swap on 10/5 at 10 am on 66<sup>th</sup> and Ryan.
- Check out [seattle.gov/YVYC](http://seattle.gov/YVYC) (Your Voice, Your Choice) by Sept. 1 to vote on projects to improve parks and streets in our neighborhood. \$2M at stake – projects must not exceed \$100K.