SMILE Board Meeting Minutes

December 21, 2022 Held via ZOOM in anticipation of severe weather

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OFFICERS PRESENT: Elaine O'Keefe, President; Pat Hainley, Treasurer; Eric Norberg, Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Zack Duffly, Jim Friscia, Bob Burkholder, David Dugan, Dave Weber, Sarah Bunger, MacKenzie Torres

SMILE President Elaine O'Keefe called to order the December Board Meeting of SMILE at 7:02 p.m. [A starting time the Board had previously voted to try, for Board Meetings only, in December through February, testing what some Board Members considered a more convenient time.] To begin, she asked for a review of the minutes of the November 16th Board Meeting; after the review, Zack Duffly moved the minutes be accepted as presented, Pat Hainley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

President O'Keefe told the Board that the architect leading the planned remodel of SMILE Station is ready to go to the city for permits for the work, and he suggests that we pay the "fast track" fee to speed the permit review – we hate to spend the extra money, but Elaine and Pat after consideration recommend we do so, since the funding for the remodel is a city grant with a time limit. The Board expressed no opposition.

The main purpose of this month's Board Meeting was for a report to the Board from its negotiators and its attorney on the negotiations involving Oaks Pioneer Church with Portland Parks and Recreation – which required an Executive Session. President O'Keefe declared an Executive Session at 7:08 p.m., making sure that only Board Members remained in the meeting from this point on; these publicly available minutes were suspended during the Executive Session, as provided for under state law.

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President Elaine O'Keefe ended the Executive Session at 7:52 p.m., and the public SMILE Board Meeting resumed with the scheduled "Announcements, and any other SMILE business". She announced that our new ad-hoc "Housing Solutions Committee" will provide the major part of the program at our SMILE General Meeting on January 4 – both presenting on its own, and having two guest speakers on their subject of concern.

Zack Duffly, Chair of the SMILE Transportation Committee, announced that Tim Coulter – a community member – wants improvements at the Bybee-15th intersection; and Zack said he himself has started a conversation with PBOT on the matter.

There being no other announcements, Pat Hainley moved the meeting be adjourned, and David Dugan seconded. The motion passed with apparent unanimity at 8:00 p.m.