

*City Manager's Neighborhood Representatives Meeting*

*March 13, 2008*

*Guests: Public Works: Mike Bobinski, Kathy Early, Troy Moon, David Pineo, xxx Early*

*The Mayjay Hill neighborhood association rep reiterated their desire to meet with the PWC*

*Joe Gray was out of town, so Mike Murray opened the meeting.*

*There were brief questions about construction projects from other neighborhoods, then Mike introduced the Public Works guests.*

*Reports:*

*Troy Moon:*

*Participating in regional waste system ecomaine, Portland now uses a single-sort recycling system, accepting all recyclables in one bin including plastics #17. (Styrofoam is not included) Single sort systems save money and reduce fuel consumption by reducing trips needed for pickup. Also ecomaine produces 110 megawatts of electricity/year.*

*The city is offering compost bins at cost for pickup at the Riverside site. They will be available at Peaks Transfer Station. On 5/10 an event to demo the bins will occur at the Riverside facility. (PWC has offered them also, and will deliver)*

*Heavy Item Pick up will occur this year, and will happen on Peaks during the summer as last year. This will be the last year on the mainland, due to budget cuts.*

*There will be a FFW collection on Peaks again this year.*

*DPW budgets /projects are petroleum-dependent. They are using funds from FGD, GSO Bond, FFWA (fed. hwy auth), and DOT, but some cuts may still be required.*

*There was wistful discussion by residents about returning to cobblestone roads. Public Works is less enamored with the concept of maintaining and plowing cobbles.*

*100K has been approved for roads projects on Peaks for summer of 08.*

*They are switching blue bag vendor and returning to the twist-tie option. The overall rate of recycling in the city has reduced curbside trash collection from 22,000 tons/year down to 12,000 tons/year.*

*Next month: Alex Jaeger from Planning. Dave Pineo recommended that we write him and voice displeasure about the development on the peninsula- especially the plans for multi building projects in Bayside.*