

Shumway Neighborhood News

DECEMBER 2024

You are Cordially invited to the Shumway Neighborhood Holiday Celebration

Where: Marshall House, 1301 Officers Row

When: Thursday, December 5th

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

This will be in place of our regular monthly meeting. There will be food and beverages provided. If you would like to bring a side dish or dessert to share you are welcome to do so. This is a great event to get together and meet one another while we celebrate the holiday season.



**Your Shumway Neighborhood
Board Members**

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News and information for those who
live within the boundaries of 39th
Street to the north, I-5 to the east,
4th Plain Blvd to the south, and Main
Street to the west.

Important Dates for Shumway Neighborhood

December 5, Shumway Neighborhood Association Holiday Celebration – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Marshall House, 1301 Officers Row

December 6, 2024, Main Street Promise Groundbreaking Celebration – 3:00 pm (Info on page 3)

December 2 & 16, 2024, City Council Meeting Vancouver City Hall, Council Chambers 415 West 6th Street – 4:00 pm

January 7, 2025, Shumway Neighborhood Association Meeting – 6:30 pm

February 4, 2025, Shumway Neighborhood Association Meeting – 6:30 pm



Shumway Neighborhood Association Meeting Announcement

Meeting Date: January 7, 2025

Platform: In Person & ZOOM

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 426 E 4th Plain Blvd.

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Meeting ID: 864 8324 1679

Passcode: 904726



The Agenda will be posted on our Facebook group and Nextdoor page found through the QR codes below.

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Main Street Promise Groundbreaking Celebration

Friday December 6, 2024 @ 3:00 pm

Join Mayor Anne McEnerny-Ogle, project leaders and business owners as we mark the start of Main Street's transformation. Special thanks to Vancouver's Downtown Association for hosting this event as part of First Friday. Visit participating locations following the ceremony.



The Shumway Neighborhood Association submitted a formal comment on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

Here is the text of the statement:

Shumway Neighborhood Association Concerns About and Suggestions Regarding the Interstate Bridge Replacement Project

The Interstate Bridge Replacement project construction plans and post-construction operation will have impacts on Vancouver's Shumway Neighborhood, including vibration, audible, visual and air quality impact. Neighborhood residents look forward to working with project officials, staff, and consultants to determine ways to mitigate the negative impacts. We submit the following comments. - continued on page 4

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Our concerns include:

Auditory, visual, and air quality impacts on single and multi-family residential units, commercial properties, and Shumway Neighborhood. To mitigate adverse impacts, the Shumway Neighborhood will advise project planners on sound wall construction, height, and aesthetics.

Trees will be planted in the neighborhood and adjacent areas to mitigate near-road air quality issues. They will be planted as soon as the remaining construction will not damage them. The number of trees planted will be sufficient to help offset air quality impacts and enhance air quality as per recommendations made by the US Environmental Protection Agency regarding planting vegetation to mitigate near-road air quality issues. The project will ensure the survival or replacement of the trees for 10 years.

The sound wall will receive the highest standard anti-graffiti coating available at the time of its construction, and the project will ensure funding for graffiti removal for 25 years from date of completion.

We urge that the sound wall be designed to be as esthetically pleasing as possible, particularly when viewed from the west.

Construction vibration impacts. To mitigate adverse impacts of construction vibrations, the project will provide vibration monitoring for buildings and streets from F Street east to the freeway within the neighborhood boundaries. The project will also implement any and all materials and methods available to reduce/minimize the impact of construction vibration, including, but not limited to pile driving. Any damage that occurs will be repaired promptly at project expense.

Being kept up-to-date on project schedule. While it is understood that all dates will be in flux for a period of time, neighborhood residents need to know what will happen when so that they can adjust as much as possible.

We are concerned that a design is not yet available for the Fourth Plain Boulevard overpass adjacent to the neighborhood. The Shumway Neighborhood will have input on the overpass design when available.

We advocate for construction of the proposed community connector between downtown Vancouver and the Vancouver National Historic Reserve to ensure that the IBR does not worsen the existing I-5 separation between these two important community resources.

We urge robust mitigation for all adverse effects of the IBR project on historic and archaeological resources. The Vancouver National Historic Reserve and Providence Academy have played important roles in community life historically and continue to do so. Project mitigation should help ensure that these significant resources, all listed on the National Register of Historic Places, are passed on to the future.

We oppose tolling until the project is complete. We are happy to pay bridge tolls after the Bridge is finished, the overpasses in Shumway neighborhood at 39th St., 33rd St., and 29th St. are complete, and all modifications to I-5 are completed. Until that time we expect to live with dirty air, construction noise and vibration, and likely a decade of increase road congestion. We cannot accept tolls along with these afflictions. We require a toll exemption for Shumway residents until completion.