
NW Lighting Action Plan Focus Group

September 9, 2020





Agenda

Draft Project Scope and Timeline

Role of the Focus Group

Examples of Lighting in NW

Next Meeting and Involvement of NWBA/NWDA

Project Scope and Timeline

The NW Parking District Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) has prioritized the improvement of pedestrian lighting and visibility within Northwest. This Action Plan will help PBOT to fulfill its strategic goals of smart asset management, safe streets in adherence with Vision Zero, and will help shape a livable Northwest.

Pedestrian lighting is also a major part of the NW in Motion Plan

"To address lighting concerns in other areas of the district that are not on the project list, an additional proactive evaluation of lighting levels at existing intersections and crossings should be conducted to develop an inventory of lighting needs."



This project will complement and help fulfill goals in the PedPDX and NW in Motion Plans.

- Northwest in Motion (NWIM) explains that streets and intersections in NW tend to use cobra head lights to illuminate the street, rather than the sidewalk. Further, the dense tree canopy lends itself to darkness.





This project will complement and help fulfill goals in the PedPDX and NW in Motion Plans.

- Using guidance from NWIM and PEDPDX, this Action Plan will
 - 1) inventory the lighting of all intersections, and
 - 2) identify uncontrolled intersections and midblocks to be evaluated.
- Once the inventory is complete, implementation of improved lighting and visibility will be prioritized.



What this project is NOT

- This project is not the main street urban design work the SAC has prioritized.
- This project is not proposing to change any existing plans or city code.
- This project is not focused on streetlights for vehicles or bicycles.



DRAFT Timeline

- **Phase 1- Fall 2020**
 - Scoping/Inventory
- **Phase 2- Winter 2021**
 - Review engineering study findings/ Prioritization criteria
- **Phase 3- Spring 2021**
 - Draft project list and locations/any additional outreach
- **Phase 4- Summer 2021**
 - Decide on project list and implementation



DRAFT Timeline

- **Phase 1- Fall 2020**

- Key actions/milestone

- Project task force kick off meeting and clarify role and expectations.
- Understand existing lighting standards and city code.
- Research other cities and determine if there is anything that can be used.
- Assign PBOT lighting engineer to project, begin inventory and evaluation.
- Consider adopting new lighting standards for NW historic district, adopting new code.



Task force meeting schedule

Every other month or more as needed

- **September**
- **November**
- **January**
- **March**
- **May**
- **July**

Role of the Focus Group



Advise & Consult

- Provide guidance on the prioritization criteria.
- Provide information on local conditions and issues.
- Help determine if adopting historic lighting standard for the Alphabet District is appropriate in this scope or ancillary process.
- Review and approve lighting plan and locations.
- Assist in any related project proposals to the NW Parking SAC (if needed).

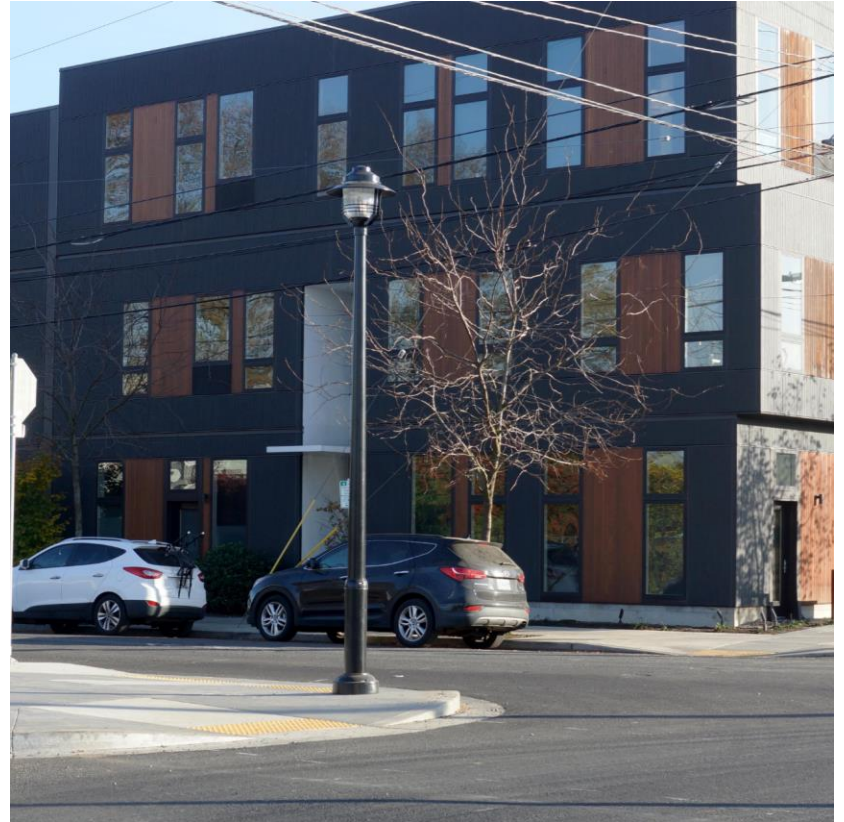


Did we miss anything?

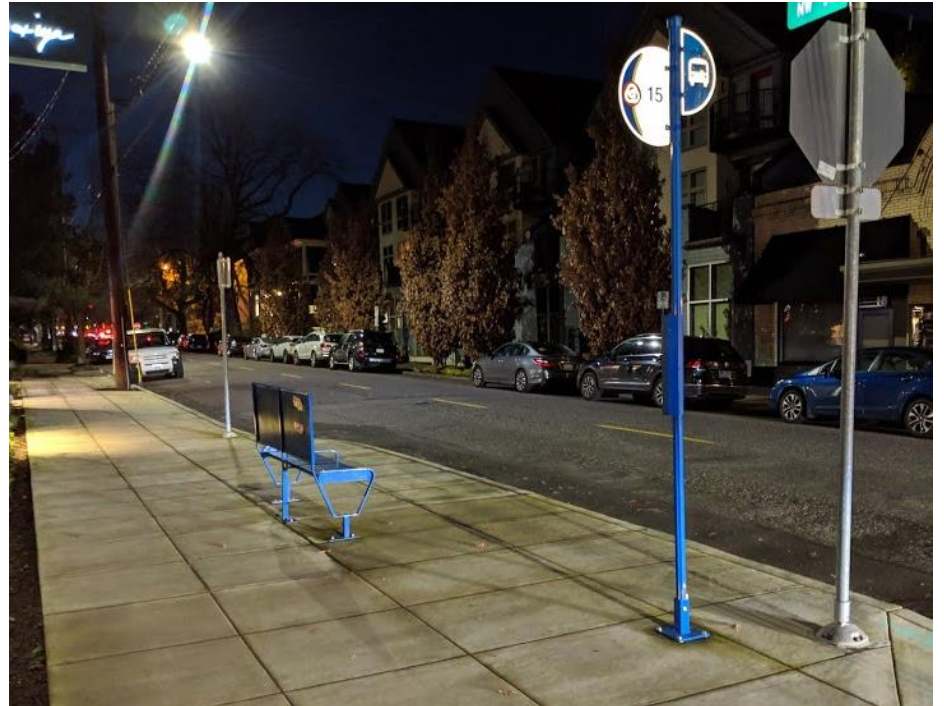
- Question for Task Force
 - Does this draft scope, role and timeline seem appropriate to you?

Examples of Lighting in NW

New Pedestrian scale light in Conway area



Existing standard cobra head light in NW





21st and Irving Combo Ped Lamp Posts and Cobra Lights







NW Irving and 18th Historic Light Post (Not Zone M)



Next Meeting and Involvement of NWDA/NWBA



Next Steps

- What information do you need from us for our next meeting?
- What about Historic District lighting standards and new city code?
 - In or out of this scope?
- Does meeting every 2 months work or should we meet more often?
- Did we miss anything?

Thank you for attending

Rae-Leigh Stark
NW Parking District Liaison

Questions or Comments?
Rae-Leigh.Stark@PortlandOregon.gov

