

SECC CAG #3 | June 9, 2026 | 5:30-7 PM at Moore Library

CAG Attendees: Megan Clark, Judy Ly, Debbie Ranniger, Sarneshea Evans, Mac Capwell

Parks: Delia Flores, Erin Irby, Manni Valenzuela, Kevin Johnson

1. Delia shared about engaging with partner agencies in work focused on the South End
 - COT District 5 Participatory Budgeting from Climate Commitment Act funding for capital project.
 - i. Meeting every other Wednesday at Baker MS
 - ii. Clarified capital projects focus of the process
 - iii. Delia can share if interested, must live in District 5
 - Fern Hill Walk
 - Fern Hill Resource Fair & Block Party, 6/27
2. Kevin introduced himself, 3.5 yrs at district, supports and manages volunteer programs in district, resident in SE. Can represent both community perspective and staff perspective.
3. Around the Room- What is one way you have been connecting with your community? How has that practice affected you?
 - **Kevin** (he/him): SE through Charlotte's, passion of people in SE is very inspiring
 - **Judy**: lives close to Hosmer, near Stafford, kids went to Stafford. Involved with Stafford PTA. Got involved with Safe Streets, SENCo Secretary, now involved in Hosmer Business Association as Secretary. Used to own Jade Palace in UP. Hosmer BA meets second Wednesday at Hampton Hotel. ¾ of attendees are residents because business owners have trouble attending. Would love for Parks to come and give a presentation. Neighborhood/community text group to connect people. Make neighborhood feel more like a village.
 - **Debbie** (she/her): Safe Streets garbage pick-up. Lives in Lincoln District. Last October, volunteered to do kids portraits in their Halloween costumes. All donations went to Lunar New Year funding. Serves on Urban Design Board as Chair this year.
 - **Manni** (she/her): Loves connecting with community members and ensuring voices are heard. Joined queer book club and enjoying exposure to literature.
 - **Mac** (they/them): Cook a meal for Oasis Youth Center once a month, able to connect directly with youth. Intergenerational relationships.

- **Megan (she/her):** District Family Liaison for TPS. Job and passion to connect with community. Started at Birney as family liaison, fell in love with SE, near Wapato. Love how people go hard for the SE.
- **Sarneshea (she/her):** Neighbors to green space through work, loves being resource in background. Policy, advocacy, philanthropy. Hobbies are to participate on community panels, advocating for transit.
- **Theme from contributions:** passion, driven by sustainability, desire to improve area for the next generation.

Guiding Values – Check In

- I. Inclusion of living in SE: In past, intention has been there but community hasn't been able to interact because of location and access. In this project and generally, Parks has been getting better. Appreciated in the last meeting that there was discussion about unhoused neighbors in SE.
- II. Yes
- III. Transparency: Yes, way in which the after meeting follow-up is really well done. Appreciate website and anonymous feedback. Expands participation and accountability. Given the milestone and schedule, best way to engage full group.
- IV. Accountability: Well displayed, good about sharing information. Very transparent about how the project is moving forward, even when it's not positive information.
- V. Courageous Conversations: Yes, so far. Lot of conversation about how SE feels neglected in last meeting. Courageous for group to say that and discuss it. People want image of SE being the "armpit" to change.

Establishing Collective Lighthouse for Project and Solicitation Narrative

- What would it look like for the "What about Us" question to be answered?
- What **themes** emerge from last month's meeting discussion to guide the project narrative?
 - Food – access, socialization, cultural expression
 - Safety- emotional, physical, especially for youth
 - People-focused resources
 - Accessibility
 - Healthy Lifestyles
 - Multigenerational Gathering, in and outside
 - Cultural Diversity
 - Connection to Nature
 - Connection to Each Other
 - Connection to Resources

- Space for Partners, Programs
- Polarity, Inconsistency across South End Community

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, July 8, 2026 from 6-7:30 PM at Fern Hill Library.**