



Dear Director Scott Kubly,

Monday
March 28

Thank You!

consideration
For your donation to

University Temple Thrift Store!

The Thrift Store Programs include lunch, consultation with a nurse, a Thrift Store of quality and low price items, free supplies, and hospitality for the homeless, all followed by the weekly Friday Feast. The only way to find these wonderful services are by the alley entrance. We strongly endorse the Neighborhood Street Fund grant application proposed by the Alley Community Council Group! Our alley really needs improvement to become a safe and attractive place for people to walk and congregate.

Sincerely, Maile Kinbuck, Thrift Store
Operations Manager, Programs.

Scott Kubly, Director
Seattle Department of Transportation
PO Box 34996
Seattle, WA 98124-4996

Re: Endorsement of U District Alley Activation Prototype Project

Dear Director Scott Kubly,

The University Temple United Methodist Church Board of Trustees strongly endorses the Neighborhood Street Fund grant application proposed by the Alley Community Council group to activate a heavily-trafficked portion of one alley in the U District.

This project has wide support from stakeholders in that alley including the directly affected property owners of Alfred Shiga and Unico, adjacent business owners of the Café Allegro and Bulldog News, nonprofit and faith organizations of the University Temple United Methodist Church, the Roots Homeless Youth Shelter, and the People's Harm Reduction Alliance, as well as the local community advocacy group of U District Square and the University District Partnership.

Nowhere else in the University District is there such a consistently lively and diverse mixing of citizens as in the alley where the proposed project is sited. For this reason, the proposed intervention will benefit from this high level of activity and further increase it. What is missing however, is a community space in which to socialize and the proposed project would provide this in a manner that is light, quick and cheap.

Unlike many other projects under consideration for the grant, this application benefits from the in-depth study, community input, and professional recommendations, as summarized in the U District Alley Activation Plan, written specifically for this alley and completed with the support of SDOT, DPD and the U District Partnership (UDP), with funding from the OED's Only in Seattle program, and authored by SvR Design & Makers Architecture. The 87-page document identifies key strategies to activate the alley, from which this project selects three to implement with the grant.

In summary, this project has the support of key stakeholders, is the best location to prototype the strategies from a city-endorsed plan, and leverages this grant with other funding sources for the overall success of the project. For these reasons, we encourage the serious consideration of the application by the city.

Sincerely,



Larry Erickson

Board of Trustees Chair

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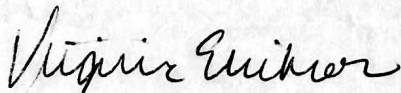
Re: Church & Society Committee Endorsement of U District Alley Activation Prototype Project

Dear Mr. Kubly,
The Church and Society (C&S) Committee of the University Temple United Methodist Church (UTUMC) strongly endorses the Neighborhood Street Fund grant application. The application requests implementation of a project to activate the heavily-used portion of an alley in the University District.

The mission of the C&S Committee includes a commitment to respond to local social justice situations. UTUMC is home to six non-profit organization providing needed services to the diverse society in the University District. This portion of the alley is used by the clients of these non-profits as well as by patrons of the local retail operations.

Making the alley safer and more inviting with improved lighting and gathering spots will make the alley a more attractive place to visit. Implementation of the prototype project will serve as a positive, well-publicized example of city improvement.

Sincerely,



Virginia Erickson
Co-Chair, UTUMC C&S Committee

Cc: Kate Robinson, Allegro Cafe



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April 1, 2016

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Emerald City Metropolitan Community Church Seattle strongly endorses the Neighborhood Street Fund grant application proposed by the Alley Community Council group to activate a heavily trafficked portion of one alley in the U District.

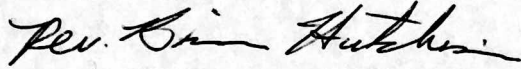
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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rev. Brian Hutchison".

Rev. Brian D. Hutchison, M.Div.
Senior Pastor
Emerald City Metropolitan Community Church, Seattle