

North Lake Union Design Charrette

11/15/2007

In Attendance:

Lori McKown- Schooner Martha, CWB

Betsy Davis- CWB

Jim Compton-CWB

Carol Compton- CWB

Greg Beardsley- Virginia 5

Gary Frankel- Virginia 5

Tim Mehrer- Zodiac

Carl Mehrer- Northwest Schooner Society

Mark Blatter- Historic Seattle

Dierk Yochim- Northwest Schooner Society

Flo Lentz- 4 Culture

Heron Scott- CWB

Eldon Tam- CWB

Katherine Collins- Sound Experince

Dianna Hennick- NW Seaport

Shannon Fitzgerald- NW Seaport

Adrian Lipp- Old Tacoma Marine

Kevin Campion- Salish Sea Expeditions

Jake Beattie- CWB

Chris Butler- CWB

This Design Charrette was held to involve a group of targeted users in process to determine the requirements for the facilities at the North Lake Union Heritage Wharf.

There was a lively exchange of ideas and intention toward the development of the project.

Charrette Data Matrices

	Indoor	Outdoor Covered	Outdoor
Private	Showers Office computer telephone internet lockers laundry Storage flammable high value/secure tools - power/hand		Loading dock Truck access (40 ft trailer) Dumpsters Recycling Pump-out Welding/cutting
Semi-private (viewable – visitor access with permission)	Welding/cutting Project space Interpretation storage Lofting/drafting Kitchen/volunteer center Sail making Catering support	Ships saw Wood storage Spar storage (120 ft, off season only)	Forklift Crane Work float Project space
Public	Event space Gift shop Lobby/reception Restrooms Library Access/crowd control Interpretive center Neighborhood meeting space/classrooms		Paved parking lot Small boat storage Demonstration Caulking Sanding Livery Hand launch – small craft Guest moorage Moorage Ferry and water taxi Viewing dock

User Group	Function	Why Brought
Neighborhood/Burke Gilman/Gas Works traffic Tourists (near & far) People building community Trade schools Alternative transit Wallingford/Fremont neighbors Volunteers ADA access Cruise ship passengers School and tour groups Festival visitors South Lake Union visitors Maritime enthusiasts Maritime program participants and alumnae People who know nothing about boats Families Deskbound dreamers Destination History buffs	Event space Catering support Crane Wood storage Ships saw Viewing dock Transient moorage Spar storage Small boat/kayak storage Caulking Livery Hand launch small craft	Community Learn skills See work happening Visual magnet (masts) Personal connection Cross lake boat service (water taxi) See activity on the lake Entertaining guests Atmosphere See the boats Volunteer Earn school credits Moorage Rent a boat Boat ride

Best thing heard tonight

- * Collaboration between maritime organizations
- * Maintenance facility for heritage vessels
- * Programmatic connection between North and South Lake Union
- * Presenting Seattle's maritime heritage as a tourist attraction
- * Engaging the neighborhood in continuing maritime heritage projects
- * Programmatic synergy between maritime organizations
- * Water taxi service
- * Transportation/commuting link
- * Early academic opportunities
- * Neighborhood involvement
- * Zodiac can stay
- * Critical mass of heritage vessels
- * Engaging new audience

What else?

- * Facility should be affordable for participants (the Public) and vessels
- * Exhibits/interpretation should be professional
- * Facility and staff act as leaders in applying environmental standards
- * Benefits to vessels of time in fresh water
- * Obvious good use of public space
- * Integration with Lake Union concept (Lake Union trail, Bands of Green, street ends)
- * Working class hero as a goal for kids

Parking lot

- * Pollution control
- * Safety
- * Dust Collection
- * Site Manager
- * Boatwrights/staff
- * Incorporate street end as park
- * Parking
- * Requirements for cranes
- * Fire department regulations for burn permit or hot work
- * Tradeoffs between public engagement and boatyard work
- * ADA accessibility (Larry Johnson)
- * One way rental
- * Charge?
- * Space for large groups
- * Cross-pollination between programs & people (e.g. w/SCCC Boat School)
- * Help with engaging students
- * Rotating volunteer and work weekends
- * Tall masts set sails
- * Water taxi

What did we find?

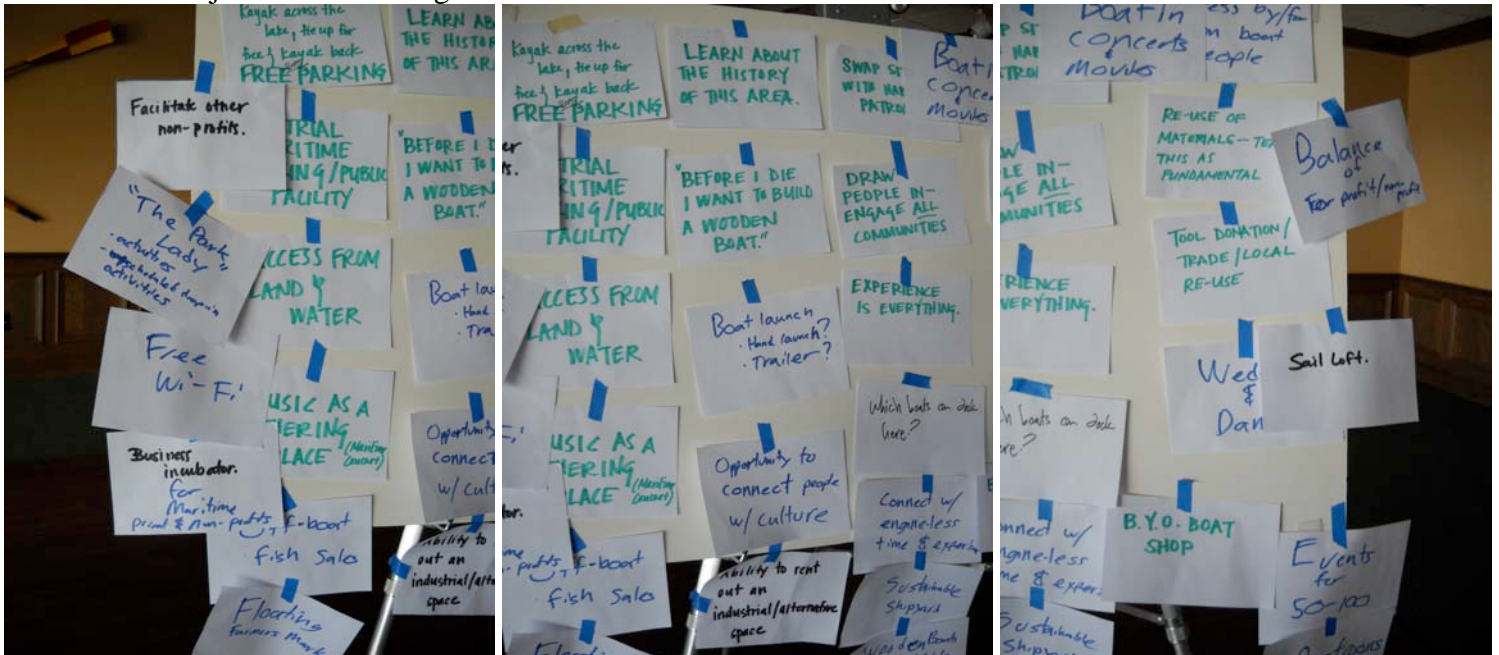
- We found that the Seattle Maritime community is ready to get behind a proposed Union Wharf.
- The Mixed use model, Small boat, Public access, and large boat maintenance, is dynamic and preferred by the group.
- The need to engage the community (both neighborhood and Heritage people) is a theme that is raised repeatedly.
- The time is right for development of a facility as access to the water is being privatized, this is an important chance to provide public benefit.

Design Charette #3 - Notes – Lake Union Rowing Club

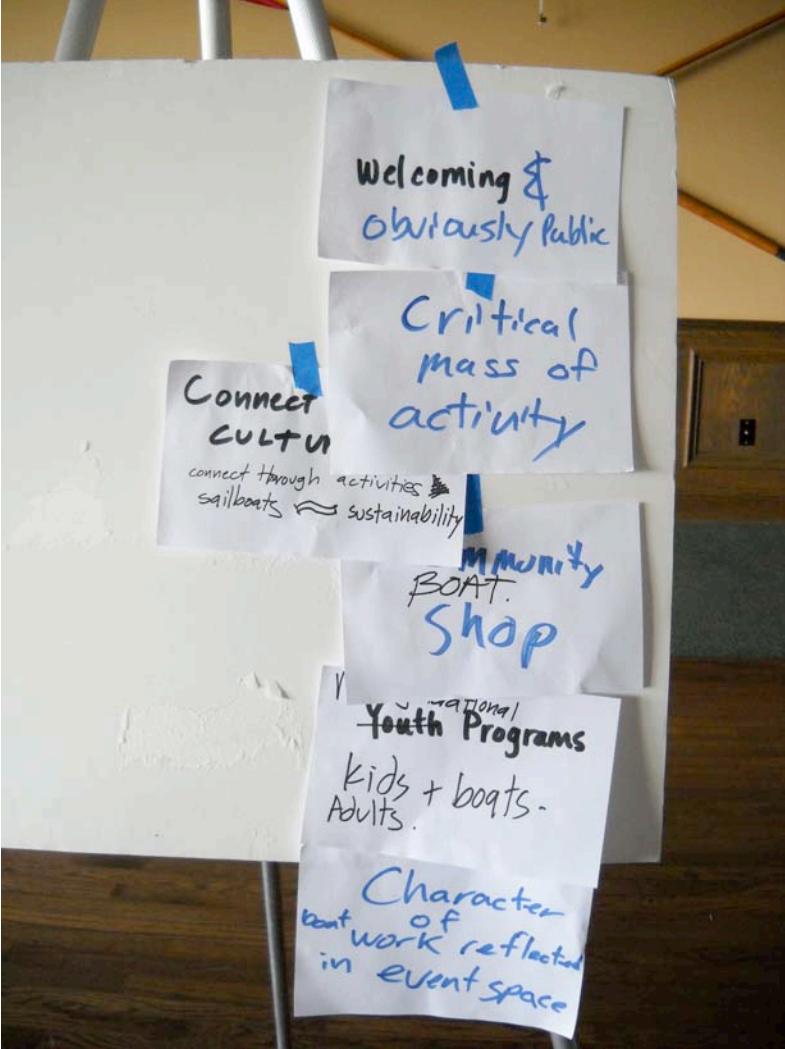
Adjectives to describe what you would like to see at the Northlake Community Wharf:



Adjectives describing The Center for Wooden Boats:



In order of importance, what you would like to see The Center for Wooden Boats do at Northlake Community Wharf.



10/14/09 Design Charette – Fremont Chamber of Commerce

b/t 8-12 attendees

Places/Things Unique/Iconic to Fremont:

- Solstice parade
- Center of the universe sign
- Lenin
- Outdoor cinema
- Bridge
- Chamber of Commerce
- Zombies
- AA
- Neighborhood Council
- Fremont Arts Council
- Red Door
- Burke Gilman
- Solid Ground
- Troll
- Pacific Inn
- JP Patches
- Interurban
- History House
- Gasworks
- Rocket
- Activity:
 - Biking
 - Walking
 - Kayaking/boating

Adjectives/Words to describe unique things about Fremont:

- Art
- Buxom
- Assertive
- Newness
- Kites
- Longevity
- Ownership
- Continual Celebration
- Outside
- Active
- Industry
- Flow
- Blue Collar

- Kitschy
- Dress Up
- Breathing Space
- Collective
- Bold
- Controversial
- Nostalgia
- Weird
- Tech
- Tasty
- The Best
- Business Connections
- Voice
- Art from all over
- Human Services
- Working Class
- Folly
- Sporty
- Destination
- Community
- Gathering
- History Saved
- Welcoming/Accessible
- Fun
- Dynamic
- Busy
- Popular
- Energy
- Unique
- Colorful
- Green Space
- Human Power
- Fresh Air
- Young People

Qualities/Adjectives in order of Importance for Northlake Community Wharf site:

1. Welcoming, Gathering, Community, Destination
2. Fun, Dynamic, Busy, Popular
3. Active/Sporty, Energy, Human Power, Fresh Air
4. Young People, History Saved
5. Unique, Colorful, Green

Activities at the site:

- Kayak dock
- Meeting space

- Gathering space
- Crossroads of activity
- Transportation hub
- Passenger pick-up/drop-off for boats
- Pedestrian friendly
- Watch people work on boats
- Idea of lake union's potential
- Take out an el toro
- Lose your parents
- Out of town visitors
- See history
- Unique destination
- Hands-on education
- Knots, boats, row boats
- Sailing lessons

Best things said of the evening:

- The importance of being welcoming.
- Connection element/multi-use of the space.
- Police station could switch with Metro Dock – imagining Metro Dock as part of Gasworks and useable by the public
- Glad to know that there is history in the water facilitated by someone who has been here a long time
- Crossroads of activity – for visitors as well as business owners

Things left unsaid:

- Pedestrian access needs to be better – work on corridor
- Need to attract younger folks and give them access to history
- Importance of mayoral race?

Worst things said:

- Parks may not be the best steward for maritime heritage – look for an alternate sponsor