

WEST CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AGENDA

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

6:30 PM @ West Central Community Center

For accuracy, members and guests, please sign in before taking a seat.

Remember non-members, 3 out of 4 consecutive attending meetings qualifies you for membership. On most items, when votes are taken, one vote will be for members only and a second, non-binding vote will be taken which including all participants.

If you have attended at least 4 meetings in the past calendar year you may, by written request, become a voting member.

For excused absences, please call, or e-mail, Mike Brakel at 509-993-3339 or at wcnc.chair@gmail.com.

Attendance: Arielle Anderson, Kevin Brownlee, Steve Corker, Kelly Cruz, Naomi Flaherty, Judith Gilmore, Daniel Herbers, Kay Howard, Jen Hussey, Steve Kounkel, Harry Lawrence, Kimberly Lawrence, Bonnie McInnis, Jake Miller, Helen Sandifur, Jo Ann Stewart, Stephanie Swan, Larry Swartz, Sarah Tosch, Jeremy Williams. Excused, Kathy Reed. Guests: Laura Hathorn, resident; Katrina Manis, resident; Annie Sotkowski, Spokane Regional Health District; David Reynolds, resident; Heather Trautman, Office of Neighborhood Services.

Meeting was not yet called to order due to the lack of a quorum.

Introductions were made.

Council Woman Karen Stratton was invited to speak and declined as FutureWise was going to speak on the same topic and she knew we had a full schedule.

Neighborhood Cleanup: Kay informed us that Broadway Food's Parking lot will host the dumpsters. We will have four dumpsters.

Meeting Called to Order at 6:42pm.

December minutes were approved. January did not have attendance listed and were not approved. February, approved. March, approved.

Nate Gwinn: Neighborhood Profiles. Neighborhood input requested by May 15th. It was noted that the Communications Committee will email this out in PDF form and gather input to give to the city.

Office Tracy Ponto arrived was recognized. She announced that 2332 W. College will be closed down for at least a year. It was shutdown before for a year due to drug sales. This time the closure was due to nuisance. Jeannette Johnson is the owner.

Heather Trautman was asked if she had any comments at this time. She highlighted the storm water benefits of the Free Tree Program. She also mentioned the Greening Grant Application as another great opportunity to get trees in the neighborhood.

FutureWise: Steven Wolf and Grace King, presented. Neighborhood Notification Draft Ordinance. The proposed ordinance would amend the city code. The affected neighborhood council and adjacent neighborhood council will receive direct meeting notifications and failure to notify would be grounds to reverse land use decisions. It was noted that the Community Assembly Land Use subcommittee meets the third Thursday of every month and they are discussing this.

Legacy Funds Discussion: Money has been set aside at various times in the last few years for various projects. Because it hasn't been used we are in danger of losing this money. George Dahl helped inform us. A motion was made and seconded to move the money to the Nettleton Triangle with the understanding that we would move money from the CDBG allotment that is to be dispersed in July by HUD back to other projects this money was moved from. The motion was amended to state: that we move all but \$1000 to the triangle and when the 2015 fiscal funding is dispersed in July it will be moved back into the Project Hope and Street Tree Projects. The vote was: yes 12, no 8. It should be noted that Kelly Cruz and Steve Corker have agreed to pay one year each of the water bill for the Nettleton Triangle. This pays for the first two years.

It was moved that \$500 be left in trees and \$500 in Project Hope. Seconded. The vote was: yes 10, no 0, abstained 3.

Treasures Report: Verbal. A motion was made and seconded to take money to pay for printing of materials for meetings. It passed.

CDBG Report: A Funding Allocation Report Form was presented to the counsel and the purpose explained. This is so that when our counsel allocates money to various groups who ask us for CDBG funds, we now that it was used and how it was used. Another form was presented. This form is for the purpose of gathering project ideas for our fall CDBG funds application. The fall allocation this year will be a little different. The funding is allocated to neighborhoods based on the American Survey information. We will likely get double the funding we did last year. The city will also compile a list of projects the city itself will do. These will then be brought before us to see if we want to add funds to them to enhance these projects.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to extend the meeting for 15 minutes.

CA Report: verbal. Public Safety Subcommittee is still discussing the public safety ordinance draft. This is likely to be in discussion for some time. More people are needed in this committee.

Communication Committee: it was requested that people fill out the blank cards provided with their current contact information it has come to our attention that some people's emails were out of date and we are unsure how many members may have inaccurate contact information on record with us.

Parks: Project Hope is on board for the Memorandum of Understanding to do the maintenance of the Triangle.

Old Business: Annie Szotkowski updated us on the Walking School Bus Program. Also, a business owner on Broadway was promised trashcans. It was asked if these have been ordered.

Sidewalks: Judith pointed out that a sidewalk committee needs to be formed to handle any sidewalks that to be done.

Adjourned at 8:15pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Naomi Flaherty, Secretary