

2016.07.12 July Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Denver Bicycle Cafe

In Attendance: Chris, Rachel, Frank, Jo, Jessica, Theresa. Guest speakers: Dave Engelken & Bill Vanderlan (Humboldt St Neighborhood).

Call to order 6:57pm

Meeting Minutes: Approval of minutes tabled until next meeting. Rachel will send a r

1. Committee Reports

- a. Parks & Beautification: Speaking to business owners to gauge the attitude on starting a BID. A few more interviews to go.
- b. Greater Paths: Meeting next week. Next month will update on that meeting and plans for the fall.
- c. Land Use & Zoning: Ryan was working on the next tour. Won't be able to check email or do anything while he's out on the Cold Creek fire.
- d. Events: Walking tours have been successful, lots of new people. Still paying to boost ads. Need receipts from Sara for reimbursements. Seems the ads are working, have gotten emails from people that they heard about us on FB. Word of mouth as well, people bringing friends. Chris asked how we are doing following up after the event. Didn't send an email after June. Suggested we send one soon thanking them and letting them know about the next one. And the Shindig! Theresa reminded the board to solicit donations for the silent auction. Would love to find someone with a house in the mountains who would donate a weekend. Jo wants a way to track donations and expenses. Rachel will share last month's budget with Theresa and Sara to track this. Also looking for volunteers for face painting, etc., as well as local businesses to set up tents. Jessica asked about posters and the emails she had traded with Theresa. Theresa has already printed a first batch. Will likely want to update as we get sponsors, musicians, etc. Looking for additional bands and entertainment. Talk to Sara about getting Frozen Matter to set up their truck, etc.

2. Humboldt St Neighborhood Association: Update on the status of the moratorium bill. Been working on this since March. Bill is in draft form with city council. 11 of 13 council people have signed up to endorse and get through council. Momentum and effort to pull this together has gathered steam through several community organizations. The moratorium is basically a time out on the parking stipulation for small lots with commercial zoning. Not against car free living or development, just felt like the work done over the years to transform Uptown could go by the wayside if people coming into the neighborhood can't park. Have to move quickly from the moratorium to solutions - approximately 9 months. Debbie Ortega wants INC to have good representation on the task force once the moratorium is passed. Exemptions are existing buildings or two stories or less. The task force will be the ones to come up with solutions. Jo suggested the group also look at what potential adverse effects the moratorium might have.

Whether on affordable housing or otherwise. As a next step, Humboldt St would love for us to vote and have our support that the moratorium goes to the city council. The board discussed concerns including affordable housing and ensuring this issue is addressed. **Jessica moves for the board to support the moratorium and requests the task force prioritize the impact on affordable housing. Rachel seconded. Board approves unanimously.** Jo would like to ensure we are very engaged from here on out. That we are in the room, on the task force, etc. Potentially have board members come to the next board meeting with solutions to discuss, draft a position statement, etc. Jessica let the board know that this moratorium has actually slowed down the progress of the 16th & Humboldt project. Not sure why or how, but permitting has slowed.

3. Community Outreach Update: Jo, Cate and Tyler met about a week ago. After Cate sent questions to the board, Jo created a cold call script including those questions. Tyler was going to start walking and calling last week, hasn't been available for an update as yet. Will discuss how the calls went, how the script work. Tyler will also build a database of responses. We aren't getting as much of his time as we had anticipated, so the project may not get completed. Our hope would be to pass the project along to the next group of students.
4. Uptown Sampler: Frank asked board members to volunteer to take an area on the map to recruit businesses. Frank will send out the letter to be dropped off.
5. CBID Update: CBID wanted to focus on safety. Did a several month analysis and determined that foot patrol would be the most appropriate solution. Hybrid between off duty police (armed) and private security (unarmed). Chris asked what Frank knows about the Halo system. It is not preventative, only useful after the crime has taken place. Frank's preferred method is getting people out on the street. The more people out and about, the less criminals want to be in the area. Has worked with Meet on the Street on 16th St Mall. How to activate the street? Not yet there for something like a Sampler as there's not as much of a concentration. The first thing they're doing is to create an open air art gallery. Step one is painting the utility boxes. Then having a contest for people's choice - voting ended Sunday. Step 2: Will be launching Artifax on Saturday, July 30th. Part 3 is streetscape design. Have identified the sub-areas along the 24 blocks. Chris asked what impact the BRT development would have. Frank thinks it won't impact pedestrian areas very much, however he does see a potential opportunity. If the city is already tearing up the streets and sidewalks, what more could CBID do at the same time? Regarding the 5 point intersection at Park/Humboldt/Colfax - high incidents of accidents - will recommend creating a pedestrian zone in that area.
6. There has been discussion on a Good Neighbor Agreement with the Fillmore. When a show is sold out, the line begins to encroach on residential space. Asking them to open 30-40 minutes earlier to relieve the impact. Would not be advertised. Once the line reaches a certain point they would open doors. Currently impacting residents, blocking entrances, leaving trash (which is eventually picked up by The Fillmore), walking on

Jessica Caouette 7/21/16 2:01 AM

**Comment:** Clarification: The moratorium has not slowed the process of the development. The development, itself, is going slowly through the city permitting process.

grass, etc. Not something to act on now, but is a discussion that is coming. Precedent set with the Ogden who entered into a similar agreement years ago. Eventually we would be party to whatever becomes the agreement. May wait for a renewal or something else to get this in. Frank wants us to be open to other solutions - using the alley, etc.

7. CHUN: Chris created a committee that meets weekly. Chatter about the future of the People's Fair. May be time to do something differently, potentially look at a block party along Colfax.
8. INC Delegate: There was a vote at the meeting last weekend that would waive financial responsibility for officers who are sued for mismanagement of funds, as well as INC covering the individual's expenses. One of their officers has recommended investing their \$35k endowment into European market funds. Both causes Chris a lot of concern and considering resigning his seat. Has not decided for sure yet. Chris noted that participation has diminished significantly over the past year and a half since we joined. Likely due to new leadership without as much history with the group and Denver. Jo will step in as the official delegate, Chris will move into being the backup.
9. General Announcements:
  - a. Jo wanted to ensure anyone who is incurring costs is sending her receipts so that they can get reimbursed. We do have budget available to pay for printing, etc.
  - b. Albus Brooks had surgery, seems to be doing well.

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