

2nd DRAFT MINUTES

JWN Executive Board Meeting – July 20th, 2021

Board Members Present: Ted Coopman (Chair), Vanessa Wheeler (Vice Chair), Sue Cummings (Treasurer), Stephanie Coopman, Susan Connolly, Duncan Rhodes, Eric Dil

Absences: None Guests: None

1. Meeting called to order

Chair called meeting at 6:33 to order. Agenda adjustments: None.

2. Brief reports from Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and NLC rep

Chair (Ted) - June 30 Zoom meeting with Kirstie Hammitt (Medary Chief of Staff), Matt Roderiques (Director of Public Works), Peter Chavannes (City Homeless Team Lead), Laura Hammond (Public Information Officer). Frank discussion of city failures at 13th and Chambers camp. Made same suggestion as six month ago, here is what they said they would commit to: “Soon site will be monitored 24 hours a day and seven days a week.”:

- We are getting closer to hiring two additional site monitors for total of four. This will increase coverage though weekends and for longer hours Friday through Monday.
- Around July 11, two DPI security officers will begin fixed presence at park for hours not covered by site monitors and ultimately provide 24-hour coverage,
- Guardian trailer is again at camp site in church parking lot and will remain there for foreseeable future.
- EPD mobile command bus will be deployed as available at 13th.
- Site has held steady at 75 tent campers. If camper moves out of one of designated 75 spots, that site will be closed for future camping. This is expected to cause natural attrition at site.
- Potable water spigot that was installed at site last month continues to be used.

ADU Ordinance: Met with Emily Semple and Paul Conte,, ongoing discussion to fixing ADU ordinance and offered alternative proposal. Scheduling meeting with Semple and Medary, and then later with Geppers and Conte with hopes for straightening out mess. Clearly evidence is on our side, but who knows if city will do smart thing and avoid an appeal. If they pass ordinance as written it will effectively freeze any development for a year as appeal gets sorted out. Since it would impact entire ordinance and not just JWN, may be able to get builders to support. / EWEB substation: I am in communication with EWEB concerning situation around substation. They are in contract to finish painting, and are going to schedule landscaping. /

Treasurer (Sue) - Sue reports following totals: OCCU Savings Account: \$ 410.30. Neighborhood Investment / Outreach Investment Funds: estimate \$ 3,295.45 Petty cash: \$ 58.03. ENI Account: \$ 176.00.

Secretary (Eric) - Eric: When I make minutes I include integral text of chair report. But I wonder if these text are made for a broader audience then board. Ted: We are not bound to public record rules, and are not required to publish minutes.

NLC (Vanessa) - NLC is establishing transportation committee. Given fire risk they talked about wildlife protection.

3. Brief committee reports

Neighborhood Matching Grant - Nothing planning concerning NMG.

Outreach - Summer Newsletter: Stephanie: As overall theme: 'Reconnecting with neighborhood'. Want to make sure we use photo's of mural inauguration. I would like to include following topics: Mural inauguration (action Sue), 2-way streets 11th/ 13th / vision Zero (action Vanessa), Sidewalk and Tree survey (action Duncan), Know your neighborhood (action Ted), Business profile Acorn Cafe (action Ted), Residential Parking Permit (action Vanessa).

Events – Recapitulation of Pollinators Mural dedication picnic at Charnel Mulligan Park: Ted & Stephanie: There where at least 50 people. Sue: Artist David showed children how to make a kazoo. There was a kazoo parade. It was really what we are trying to accomplish. Ted: Maybe next time not a buffet. It is lots of work. Serving out. Washing dishes from city. Hope next year we can organise picnic again in Monroe Park. Sue: Local TV was even there this year!

Advisory boards - Ted: No luck on advisory boards yet? Duncan: Nobody reacted until now. Ted: Maybe we should get some door hangers and target multifamily complexes? Stephanie: Good to do that in September.

Friends of parks affiliates - Ted: Lincoln School Park renovation is again delayed till Spring 2022! I put pressure on city to address car camping around Monroe park. General report concerning Monroe Park: Lighting schedule for August/September (stage in Adams). Temporary fencing on Adams between W. Broadway and alley to deter camping and protect bed. Bath room renovation still possible for fall 2021. I had long conversation with park manager Kevin. He promoted restructuring park in phases. Like moving picnic tables. Reusing the original little pond. So now parks is open is to incremental upgrades, we need to have conversation with Friends of Monroe Park neighbors.

Committees - No committees going on.

RPP: update - No news.

Sidewalk/Tree Survey: update Duncan: I send sign-in sheet to volunteers. He shows map on map how much progress is made on this volunteer project. Ted: Can you separate information about trees from sidewalks? If so we can share tree information with Friends of Trees. Given notion that our tree canopy is not enough.

4. Land Use (ADU/HB 2001), discussion and vote on Syrett motions

Ted: We will know more after summer break (till September) of City Council.

Unfortunately a lot of neighborhoods are supporting what they are proposing. They (city staff) pushing a very maximum interpretation. We as neighborhood association are going

to focus on educating people on this. I want to make appeal for public process. They (city) lost two cases because they didn't follow public process. Susan: So they are now dealing with ADU regulations and not with HB2001? Ted: Yes, he explains. I ask board for permission to write letter concerning Syrett motions. Board: Yes, go for it!

5. Homelessness

Ted: Explains case on W. Broadway/Adams corner Monroe Park; Welcome to the neighborhood! Vanessa: There are very different people. Susan: Agrees with that. We will make any progress if we don't start to make that distinction. Ted: EPD receives 600 complains city wide. Randy Grove has proposed to allocate more money to parking. I ask board authorisation to write letter about parking issue. Board gives authorisation.

6. General Meetings, September, October, November, In-person, Zoom, mixed?

Ted: I contacted First United Methodist Church (UMC) concerning our general meetings, and tried to set a price: \$ 40/ meeting, for 8 meetings total \$ 320. We will invoice that to city. Board goes in discussion about whether or not to collect money during GM and destination of that money; Church as before or now JWN. Vanessa suggests use of two donation boxes. No decision made on this item! Stephanie: Let's promote in-person GM in e-news. Ted: Fellowship hall is quite large space. I still think that we can do some in-person and some on Zoom GM's. Eric: And what about life-streaming idea that Vanessa proposed earlier? Ted: Technology could be an issue for that given fact that wifi at UMC is not that strong. Vanessa: We could do kind of pre-survey if there are questions from people that feel comfortable or can't attend in-person meeting. Ted: I suggest to choose for one model; either Zoom or in-person not hybrid formula. We could create survey in e-newsletter "to Zoom or not to Zoom"; we could drop it with August newsletter. We have nothing scheduled yet for fall meetings. Vanessa: 2-way traffic discussion could offer speaking opportunity for someone from transportation department of city. Ted: We could discuss Tree- survey results and invite Erik Burke from Friends for Trees. Vanessa: That is maybe something for September meeting, then we could talk about transportation in January. Ted: I think to invite Paul Bodin to guide discussion around theme reconnecting.

7. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm

ACTIONS

- Organise event with people Westmoreland Park rest-stop (action Ted)
- Organise conversation with Friends of Monroe Park neighbors concerning incremental upgrades Monroe Park (active Ted)
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