

November 14, 2023

Members in attendance: Nicholas Hartzler Brooks Goedeker
Kay Glass Chris Street
Brett Reinert Mechelle Minden

Meeting was called to order at **6:32 pm.**

Members in attendance briefly introduced themselves.

Meeting Opening - General Information

Welcome and thanks for attending.

Sign in to add your email address to our mailing list.

Aware of the general difficulties regarding Carondelet Park. Have reported to the authorities who are investigating. Please call 911 when you hear things in the park that shouldn't be happening.

This is our one year anniversary. Hit the ground running with three sub-committees.

Each have about 13 members and 2 board liaisons. Great participation from throughout the neighborhood. In addition to the work on security patrols for the neighborhood, they have been working over the last year to develop plans for signage, branding, placemaking, and landscaping.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes - Kay

Second - Mechelle

Motion unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Balance

No received taxes

Received over \$900 in interest in this period.

Tax bills out, due Dec. 31.

Motion to accept treasurer report - Christy

Second - Brett

Motion unanimously approved.

Safety & Security Committee

Bridget Blake provided the update.

Meet second Thursdays at the YMCA @7pm.

Working on how to report data out to the community.

Campbell Security will attend next month's meeting. City Attorney's office will also attend.

Will discuss the creation of a Neighborhood Advocacy Group to write impact statements when crimes are prosecuted from our area.

Public Infrastructure Committee

Mechelle Menden provided the update.

The gate project at the park is a major project.

Cultural Resources Board meeting next Monday. This review and approval is necessary for the project to proceed.

RFP closed in October for traffic calming in the district. TrailNet and CBB submitted the only response jointly.

The response was a bit vague, but shared no detailed info on the development of the plan. The subcommittee reviewing the proposal is reaching back out to obtain clarification and more info about the proposal.

There is a volunteer program called Neighborhood Foresters. Leader of the group presented at our last meeting. The city is short staffed and cannot maintain existing tree-lawns. This group gets arborists to train groups to maintain trees in the neighborhood. Any interest, get in touch with Mechelle.

Beautification & Landscaping Committee

In lieu of a report, SWT and Ten8 presented their findings from their research in the neighborhood.

Landscape Master Plan

Neighborhood Signage and Branding Plan

Materials will be made available on the website.

Other Business

None requested by Board members.

Public Comment

Presenters are available for questions.

Comment One. Holly Hills Pet Motel has opened at Toenges and Morganford.

Comment Two. Question about the gates not being put up regularly.

Noticed a big difference in traffic as a result. Any timeline on gate implementation? As soon as a permit is issued, work can begin.

Comment Three. Concern about signage and how it will weather and look in the coming years? Ten8 is aware of these issues and is taking into consideration recommendations for materials in all signage.

Comment Four. What happens when board members change? What will happen to 10 year plans when new board members are in place? The SBD exists for 10 years, unless renewed for additional time. Budget is laid out roughly in thirds by law and plans should reflect work that can be completed and maintained during that period. The responsibility for maintaining these projects will fall to the future board.

Comment Five. End caps, what about raising beds further? Worried about traffic accidents causing damage. What about a small version of the kids nature area from Forrest Park? Would start small and work up to bigger projects. Tiered barriers in the design should help address traffic concerns. Sight lines are also important. The suggestion for a kids nature playground is a fantastic idea. All of these designs will have to work with the City to implement. Final approval may adjust some of these plans. Thanks to the designers for the work, it's beautiful and reflects the spirit of the neighborhood.

Comment Six. Materials for crosswalks. Some seem to be brick and/or concrete and others are painted? Could be painted or thermoplastic. Brick versus painting are there cost differences? No exact number, but brick would most likely be more expensive. Are we doing temporary flags and then more permanent signage in future years?

Both approaches could be useful, depending upon cost. Improvements will be permanent, but just implemented as time and budget allows.

Comment Seven. Crosswalks, Fire Hydrants & Bridge are first priorities for the Beautification Committee.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn - Nick

Second - Christy

Motion was unanimously approved.