

**OTRCC Board of Trustees  
Meeting Notes August 12, 2019**

**In Attendance:**

**Maurice, Danny, Mike, Carissa, Julie, John Walter, John Wulsin, Key**

**\*NOT in attendance: Stephan, Margy, Amy, Thomas, Sallie**

**Non-Board Members: Peter Hames**

Welcome

**Officer Reports**

a. Secretary: Motion to approve July BOT meeting minutes (Need to move to next month)

**(Didn't have this to approve)**

b. Treasurer: Motion to approve Treasurers report

Unspent NSP money issues: A couple of recipients haven't issued reimbursables, deadline is August 31. Key to give insight in his report later in the agenda.

Mike suggests liquidating gift card (\$137) that we have.

**Motion to have Mike liquidate the gift card and deposit funds in checking account.**

**Motion: Danny**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Maurice**

**Vote: Passes**

**Motion to approve Treasurer's Report**

**Motion: Key**

**2<sup>nd</sup> : Danny**

**Vote: Passes**

\*Note this happened later in the agenda

**Voting Items**

a. **MOTION: To recommend approval of the ED&H Committee's letter regarding Perseverance Housing Project** (J. Fay) See letter

Presentation by OTRCH Re: 1505 – 1517 Vine Street Perseverance Project with 3CDC. See attached document and EDH Committee Meeting Notes. OTRCH will continue to report on this via the ED&HC ongoing.

Discussion:

**Motion: John Wulsin**

**2<sup>nd</sup> : Carissa**

**Vote: Passed**

**b. MOTION: To purchase a 2-year subscription to the Enquirer and the Business Courier (M. Wagoner)**

Discussion:

Maurice suggests that we would be better informed with these subscriptions, particularly development initiatives. Mike suggests we can't share the passwords for access, as Maurice suggests. The whole board can't access that information. Per John Wulsin: with library card, the Business Courier is free. John has volunteered to do that. Not necessary to pursue this.

**Motion: Withdrawn**

Discussion Items

a. Hosting a table at the Imanifest/Rothenberg Back to School Kickoff this Saturday, August 17 (M. Wagoner)

From 12-4 o'clock. Maurice can volunteer for one hour. Looking for volunteers. Maurice will volunteer and provide Membership Forms, Worksheet TBD, Raffle for CRC Membership? Post-its to answer worksheet questions.

b. Identifying a volunteer to serve as OTRCC representative for the TAP advisory program committee (M. Wagoner)

Discussion:

TAP Program allows projects in our neighborhood to be submitted without Mayor approval. Mr. Tony Kadel (sp) with City of Cincinnati has asked that there be an OTRCC BOT representative to serve a 3-year term and be point of community contact. John Wulsin is interested. Mike B is also interested, although he is participating as OTRCH BOT. Julie agrees John is a good candidate.

**Motion: To appoint John Wulsin as OTRCD BOT representative to TAP Advisory Program**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Carissa**

**Vote: Passes**

c. Status of CRC Property at Main & Schiller (M. Bootes)

Discussion:

Big property at Main & Schiller will likely come back on the open market. Mike suggests we reach out to Mt Auburn CC, who represent that property, to collaborate and approach them about a conversation. President to President or Committee to Committee. Need common front to suggest that affordable housing is part of that property. Need to start thinking about this opportunity and keep an eye out for an RFP. Currently owned by CRC. Great opportunity to collaborate. Margy is likely a good candidate to lobby for this and work with City Council on this. Julie points out that any property in Mt. Auburn goes to HRC or Infill, the OTRCC does not

get notified. This could be better coordinated. Use the Liberty Street project and our support for Option C to include an additional street light at Liberty Hill to leverage better cooperation between our communities. Can we be open minded with development opportunities and also support affordable housing for this potential project? We were close to having this with the housing study, but the results are so skewed that it's difficult. More on that in ED&H Committee Report. Maurice will reach out to Mt. Auburn with the support of Invest in Neighborhoods rep. Jake. Carol Burns is a good contact for Mt. Auburn.

#### d. OTRCC Work Program Priorities for 2019-2021

##### Discussion:

Reminder that we will do a work session in this month's August OTRCC Meeting. The idea is to get insights and priorities for neighborhood and community council objectives. See worksheet. This is an exercise that we have undertaken previously. We will share results in September. John can make an electronic form so we can send it out as a form via social media and to partners. Also can we share this at Imanifest August 17 at Rothenberg. And via Rothenberg and CRC – what other partners can we enlist to share the form? BOT Members should sit at different tables to help facilitate conversations at the next CC meeting.

\*Amy: Let's include the updated/revised worksheet prior to the meeting with the agenda, so people can be prepared for the meeting.

#### Committee Reports

##### 1. Parking and Transportation-Peter

###### i. Letter to city on OTRCC opposing vacation/lease of 15<sup>th</sup> St

What is going on with 15<sup>th</sup> Street Vacation and Lease? Recommendation to send the letter that was approved by OTRCC at July 22 meeting. This should go out ASAP\*.

###### ii: Liberty St FYI Memo update

##### Discussion:

OTRCC endorsed Option C for Liberty Street. Liberty Hill was pleased with the option. Questions remain regarding crossing at Pleasant Street. See example at Purple People Bridge for proposed signal style.

##### Other issues:

##### 1. Housing and Economic Development-Julie

Did letter go out for the Distillery? Julie needs a copy of the letter. \*Amy to follow up

##### Discussion:

See ED& H Committee Meeting Notes. Need to scan hardcopy to share/post.

## 2. Operations and Structure-Carissa

Contact Sheet distributed.

Request that committee chairs confirm meeting schedule on OTR calendar and share updates and info.

Post FB

Re next initiative: Protocols – next agenda item for Meeting TBD in August/September.

Likely 6 meetings/year or quarterly depending on pressing issues.

Dumpster ? - FB message question from resident/member  
Form for dumpsters is available at public services but OTR not on schedule until next year. CB will communicate with resident via social.

FCC Special Meeting August 26<sup>th</sup> Location still TBD. Maurice to share when known.

Discussion:

From Danny: There is so much happening and hard to keep up. How can we be proactive on issues? Hopefully our exercise at next month's CC meeting will give further insight on issues for CC/BOT and Committees.

## 3. Outreach and Engagement/NSP-Key

Discussion: use report from email copied here (8/12)

Update:

Outreach and Engagement Committee - No meeting yet, but can we please put the date for the first meeting on the calendar? First meeting: Aug 19, @ 630-7:30.

NSP Report

1. Rothenberg Boys and Girls Groups - (change in staffing, checking on status of funds spent) - **1000 (not paid)**
2. McMicken/Mohowas Beautification - Funds Spent - **250 (paid)**
3. Over-the-Rhine Community Festival - (Checking on funds) - **1000 (not paid)**
4. Imani Summer Program - Funds Spent - **1000 (paid)**
5. Grant Park Community event - Some funds spent, waiting on status of remaining funds) - **1000 (not paid)**
6. Over-the-Rhine Ambassador Camp - Funds Spent - **1000 (paid)**
7. Chalk the Walk - Funds Spent - **750 (paid)**
8. Membership - Funds not spent - **85 (not paid)**

**Amount Paid Out: \$3000**

**Amount Remaining: 3085** (Checking on Grant Park, Rothenberg, and Contact Center-Over-the-Rhine Festival. I am expecting both Rothenberg and Grant Park to spend their funds. The Contact Center spent their funds the first year, so they will most likely spend it this year.)

**Due Date to Spend Funds: August 31, 2019**

Announcements and agenda items for next OTRCC meeting?

Tree Program available. CB to share on FB.

CRC is remodeling. Need OTRCC Meeting location for August + September. Maurice is working on it.

Adjourn

**Motion: Danny**

**2<sup>nd</sup> : Maurice**

**Vote: Passes**