**Over-the-Rhine Community Council**

**DRAFT- Minutes from Membership Meeting on June 29, 2015**

Board members attending: Cassandra Barham, Walter Carter, Julie Fay, Peter Hames, Evan Hennessy, Joan Kaup, Seth Maney, Ryan Messer, Kareem Simpson, Mike Uhlenhake, Margy Waller.

Board members absent: Jenn Martin, James McQueen.

Agenda presented.

Motion to approve the agenda by Kevin Morrow; seconded by Cassandra Barham.

Police Report by Lieutenant Joe Richardson

Certain things only the police and the suspect know. Shootings in Findlay Park were targeted shootings. Club Glitter is now closed. Burglaries are low in OTR but above average in breaking & entering. Many tools are being stolen. Thefts from autos around Sycamore and Vine. Police are going to do something new - putting ankle monitors on habitual offenders and staring in OTR first.

Candidates to serve as Trustees of OTRCC Board presented by Kevin Morrow.

Two minutes from each candidate: Cassandra Barham, Michael Chewning, Matt Jacob, Joan Kaup, Seth Maney, Mark Manley, Ryan Messer, Elizabeth Jade Rodak, Bob Selhorst, Amy Silver, Kareem Simpson, John D. Walter. Martha Good and Derrick Braziel were not in attendance. Mike Uhlenhake respectfully withdrew his candidacy.

Election of new officers

Nominating committee has the ballots to count.

Community Engagement Activity presented by Margy Waller and Sara Corlett

Taking time to share stories with neighbors to make new friends in OTR.

Revision of OTR Entertainment District presented by Brad Thomas and Eric

Suggesting we revise the current district into two separate districts that would extend north of Vine. Having two districts creates 15 new affordable D5 restaruant permits for eateries and bars. It does not create an open container area or more carry-outs. It would permit more liquor licenses, more entrainment business, more jobs, and more economic activity. All the existing safe guards remain in place. The revision needs to be approved by city council. Does OTRCC still get formal notification from the police dept. for requests for new liquor permits? Sargent Halusek used to do this. Perhaps we should revisit that practice. Kevin Morrow made the motion to send a letter of support. Matt Jacobs seconded motion. Vote showed 18 in favor; 5 opposed. Motion passed.

Process to revise By-Laws presented by Tom Stasi, Taft Law

The committee is Cassandra Barham, Peter Hames, Joan Kaup, Margy Waller. Then Tom got feedback and input for most of the board members. Attached are the suggested changes for membership to review and comment on. Look at revised changes in July. Then take a vote in August and we need 2/3 of attending members present to vote to approve it.

Tiny Houses presented by Brad Cooper

Brad was awarded $100,000 from People’s Liberty to advance this project. If you’re interested to buy one of the homes you need to attend one of the following workshops:

July 2, 7:30 a.m. at 124/144 Peete St

July 16, 12 noon at Grant Playground, 73 E. McMicken

July 27, 3:00 p.m. at Centennial Plaza II, 805Central Ave

July 29, 6:00 p.m. at People’s Liberty, 1805 Elm St

August 6, at 8:30 a.m. at Findlay Playground, 1821 Race St

August 13, 4:00 p.m. at Permaganics, 1718 Main St

August 27 at 12 noon at Findlay Market, 1801 Race Street

[www.startsmallhomes.com](http://www.startsmallhomes.com)

Cincinnati Summer Streets presented by Margy Waller

Will happen Saturday, Sept. 26 from 11a – 3p on Pleasant Street which connects Washington park and Findlay Market and crosses Liberty Street. Close the street to motorized vehicles so people can take over the streets in a fun, joyous way with organized arts activities. Draw attention to the important of safely connecting north and south OTR across Liberty. Cincinnati is part of an international movement to celebrate our largest public space – streets. Requesting a letter of support from OTRCC membership. Matt Jacob made the motion to ratify the board’s approval. Seconded by Jack Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

New officers:

Cassandra Barham, Derrick Braziel, Michael Chewning, Matt Jacob, Joan Kaup, Seth Maney, Mark Manley, Ryan Messer, Elizabeth Jade Rodak, Bob Selhorst, Amy Silver, Kareem Simpson, John D. Walter. Congratulations to all!

Adjourned 8:00