## **OTR Community Council**

DRAFT Minutes for Meeting, February 27, 2017

55 attending

Board members attending: Casandra Barham, Bill Cappel, Matt Jacob, Joan Kaup, David Macejko, Mark Manley, Domonique Peebles, Amy Silver, Bob Sehlhorst, Maurice Waggoner, John Walter

Board members absent: Martha Good, Domonique Peebles

**Welcome by President Bob Sehlhorst**. A reminder that all memberships expire March 26. Renew now for continuous, uninterrupted voting rights.

**Agenda.** Motion to approve agenda by Matt Jacobs, seconded by Katrina Lackey. Motion passed.

**Police Report by Capt. Lisa Davis & Officer Rock**. Made two arrest for recent B&E. Staying focused on hot spots. Three shootings recently; unfortunately, the victims are not being cooperative in investigation. Keep your calls coming with information and observation at 352-3501. Police has identified that the bug of increased graffiti is a person from Clermont County. The police have a coordinated effort in paint ball shooting. All residents are encouraged to attend the safety meetings held the second Thursday of the month at 2:00 at chamber office, and 6:00 pm at Rhinegeist.

**Minutes.** Peter motioned that the minutes be delayed until March meeting until changes and corrections are made. Concerned about language regarding Elm and Liberty project, Marjorie seconded. Motion passed.

**Vice-president.** BOT appointed Maurice Waggoner to hold the vice president position until the next election. Peter Hames moved to approve Maurice as vice-president of OTRCC Board of Trustees; John Donnelson seconded. Motion carried.

**Membership Dues.** John Donnelson made the motion to approve keeping OTR Community Council annual membership dues at \$2.00 per person, Bonnie Neumeier seconded. Motion passed. All memberships expire March 26. Renew now to keep your voting privileges.

**Pilot Resident Parking Program presented by Mary Rivers.** It was introduced in March 2015 to coincide with the new meters installed in the neighborhood. It was vetoed by Mayor Cranley in 2015. He wants the annual residential parking permit to cost \$300 for residents and \$18 for low income. Cranley states the fees are needed for administration and feels strongly that all people

from all neighborhoods helped pay for the improvements in OTR and therefore all should be able to pay. He feels each parking meter generates \$3,000 year. The details in 2015 proposal: \$18 for residents with proof of living in affordable housing and \$108 for all others for spaces that are open and free today.

Presented this evening is a pilot program within the boundaries of Central Parkway (south & west), Sycamore (east), and Liberty Streets (north). Suggests 402 residential permit spaces, 199 flex spaces, in effect 24/7, two permits per residences, no guest passes. Suggesting \$18 for low-income, \$50 for moderate income, and \$300 for high income residents.

Discussion about cost of parking garages vs resident permit parking, flex spaces, Pendleton Residential Parking, comprehensive parking study, etc. Mary will convene a meeting for further discussion and pilot program development. Bob Sehlhorst made motion to support; Matt Jacobs seconded. Yes 11; No 24. Motion did not pass.

Rothenberg School Report by Barbara Bell. Thank for NSP project to support Girls in Power Program. Students continue to sell sets of coasters for \$15 a set. The Shark Tank Project will happen in May and looking for judges. Contact Barbara if you want to be a part of it. Rothenberg will facilitate a conversation about privatizing the school and will be conducting meetings for input and dialogue. bbell@med.unr.edu; Fax: (702) 380-2913.

**SCPA by Holly Brians Raguso, President of SCPA PTSO.** These school events are **FREE** and open to the public. A great way to experience and enjoy music and arts.

- 3/1&2 Band Concert, Corbett (7-9pm)
- 3/4&5 Creative Writing A Community of Stories, Corbett
- 3/4 Youth Career Expo, 2017 8am-12pm Price Hill Rec Center
- 3/6 Harp Concert, Corbett (7-9pm)
- 3/7 SCPA Building Tour (11am-12:30pm)
- 3/9 3rd Grade Art Opening, Art Gallery (4:30-6pm)
- 3/11 SCPA Students in Dance Vocal and Visual Arts have progressed to Cincinnati Overture Awards Final Competition & Ceremony, which is at the Aronoff Center (1pm)
- 3/14 Piano Program Recital (Grades 4-8), Mayerson (7-9pm)
- 3/15 Piano Program Recital (Grades 9-12), Mayerson (7-9pm)
- 3/16 & 17 "Lights, Camera and Action" SCPA Collaboration Showcase Sr. Music Theater & Orchestra (7-9pm)
- 3/22 Meridian 8 & Baby Grands Unplugged Concert, Mayerson (7-9pm)

**Liberty Street Safety Project by Matthew Andrews.** Proposing a median along a section of Liberty Street to make it more pedestrian friendly. Will have an open-house or send postcards to the residents about the proposed change. Will return to OTRCC meeting next week for a vote. Look for more information on the OTRCC website.

Neighborhood Support Program (NSP) by Mark Manley. We have a number of project approved include: Job Fair, Rothenberg Program for Girls, Insurance, OTR Community Festival

Future Leaders Clean-Up, and Community Art Project by AAC.

Imagination Alley by Bob Sehlhorst. Forming a committee to review the possible updates include Myra Greenberg, Suzanne Morris, Bonnie Nuemeier, and Adam Gelter of 3CDC. Some of the Imagination Alley land is owned by Cincinnati Recreation Commission. CRC said they'd lease the land to 3CDC and work with 3CDC and OTRCC about how to care for it. Now CRC is considering selling the parcel. The committee is looking at nuisance issues and ultimate best use. How to keep the space public and preserve the art and how much of the park is privatized and who/how will it be tended? If you want to participate with this committee, please contact one of its members. Committee will meet with representatives from 3CDC, Cintrifuse, Model and CRC between now and next membership meeting. Can CRC come to the March membership meeting?

DJ Booth on Rhinegeist Deck by Terri Wilson. Terri is a resident who lives near Rhinegeist and the music/noise from the deck is very loud. People are urinating and defecating in the alley near the bar and homes. The parking is an issue as well. As a neighborhood, where are we trying to go with all the breweries? In Chicago, the noise cannot go out beyond 100 feet of the entertainment establishment. Could OTR do something similar? Pre-meeting with the city about the DJ Booth is March 27 at Centennial II, 7<sup>th</sup> floor with the historic review board. That area is zoned urban mixed district. City ordinance is 60 – 70 decibles until 10 p.m. Bob and Terri will go talk with Rhinegeist and then invite Rhinegeist to the March membership meeting.

**Play Library by Julie Fischer.** A business of toys and games. March 15, at 5:00 p.m. 1517 Elm Street next to health center. A membership library with scholarship free family memberships as well.

## **Announcements:**

Nominating Committee. We need volunteers. Email Bob

Job Fair at Peaslee on Weds. March 8 from 4-6 p.m.

**Open House** on March 15, at 5:00 p.m. at new **Play Library** on 1517 Elm Street.

**Cristina Burcica** is running for city council. Facebook Burcica4Cincy

Meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.

## **Upcoming Events:**

Bockfest 2017 is March 3, 4 and 5. Parade is on Friday and begins at 6:00 at Arnolds going north on Main Street. Visit https://www.BockFest.com

Feb 27 - March 12 at **The Ensemble Theatre** in OTR- an SCPA 10<sup>th</sup> grader- Delaney Ragusa is performing in a current regional premier of *When We Were Young and Unafraid* written by Sarah Treem who also wrote House of Cards.

March 10-12 *A Midsummer Night's Dream* – Senior High Drama performances. Check website for tickets and times. TICKETED EVENT at **SCPA.** https://www.showclix.com/events/8164

May 11 Corbett Mayerson Awards Concert 7pm at **SCPA.** Check website for tickets and details TICKETED EVENT. https://www.showclix.com/events/8164