

Over the Rhine Community Council

January 22, 2018

1. Welcome, introductions and approve meeting agenda. Peter Hames moves approval of the agenda. Valarie Dowell Seconds. Motion carries.

2. Approve November meeting minutes and December treasurer's report. Bob moves approval of the November meeting minutes and December's treasurer report. Stefan Seconds. Motion carries.

Valarie will be the acting time keeper for tonight's meeting.

3. Updates

a. CPD District One update: Captain Davis-crime is down. No serious violence in the last month. Reminder of monthly safety sector meetings. Capt. Davis will share the parks department initial plans about Findlay park. Maurice will share this with the membership in the next day.

b. Rothenberg and SCPA updates: Barbara Bell-3rd grade reading scores from last fall are back- 30% proficient and they feel they are on a path with a goal of having 70% of 3rd graders proficient. Had second quarter awards ceremony recently. 6th grade Shark Tank upcoming. **Holly Brians Ragusa**-not present.

4. Old Business

Poke Hut restaurant, 1509 Race Street, decision regarding sign (yes) and sidewalk table service (no). Maurice gave an update on this process. The group decided to not move forward and approach OTRCC regarding outside seating.

5. New Business

a. Proposal to explore the establishment of a service improvement district (SID) in Over-the-Rhine: Annette Wick and Stephanie Gaither, Urban Sites.

Motion: to ratify the board's motion to support the ad-hoc committee's exploration of an OTR SID and appointment of Bob Sehlhorst to work on the ad-hoc committee and provide monthly reports. Danny Klingler moves. Julie Fay Seconds. Motion carries. Next meeting is scheduled for February time TBD. There was some discussion about how members of OTRCC could bring concerns and questions to Bob to share with this committee. Bob said he would be happy to take back questions and concerns of the council. Denny suggested that people submit written questions to Maurice/Bob.

b. Joe Hansbauer, Findlay Market, proposal to divide the OTR West Entertainment District into north and south districts with Liberty as the dividing line. Brad and Kelly were present from Findlay Market. Goal is to create a second entertainment district where the west part of the existing district is split into a north and south district. This would create a max of 13 liquor licenses. Vendors would have

to go through a typical liquor license process to get one of these. This would benefit Finlay Market with job creation (City Kitchen was given as an example) and increasing vibrancy (increasing weekday traffic for example).

Motion: to ratify the board's motion to support the division of OTR West Entertainment District into north and south districts with Liberty as the dividing line. Karen Hughes moves. Bill C. seconds. yes, 5 no. Motion carries.

c. Liquor license application for 1437 Vine Street restaurant (Serious Food Diner): Jeremy and Bridget Lieb. They look to fill 49 jobs. Have taken the lead from OTRCC board to look for hiring connections within the neighborhood. Want to open a restaurant that is accessible to everyone. Open to signing a MOU with the OTRCC to hire within the community from the local partners that they have already connected with. There was discussion about formalizing the commitment to hiring locally. Motion: to ratify the board's motion to support the liquor license application for 1437 Vine Street restaurant. Bill C. moves. JoHn Donaldson seconds. yes 3no. Motion carries.

e. Brandy Del Favero, 3CDC, proposal to build a 50 space, hourly parking lot on the southwest corner of Race at Liberty was referred to the Parking and Transportation Committee.

f. Liquor license application for Cobblestone Bar, southeast corner of Race and Twelfth Streets. Bob Bowling, Keyur Joshi, Mark Knox. Met with Regan at Tender Mercies and have reached out to SCPA. Looking to be good neighbors. There was a question about the building code violations-the current landlord is aware of those and working on them.

Motion: to ratify the board's motion to support the liquor license application for Cobblestone Bar. John Donaldson Moves, Matt Jacob seconds motion carries.

g. The board is working on clarifying and simplifying the procedure by which requests to appear before the board and/or the membership are assigned to committees.

h. 3CDC's new service coordination group: Maurice Wagoner. OTRCC can facilitate these issues as we are the most appropriate body to field these various issues that this coordination group was discussing. There was discussion about creating a quarterly OTRCC summit with various members of the city and community. This topic will be addressed at the next OTRCC BOT meeting.

i. OTR Foundation meeting on infill development guidelines project on February 6, 3:00 to 5:30 pm at 1421 Main Street, Graydon on Main: Maurice Wagoner.

7:15 6. Committee Reports

a. Housing and economic development—Julie Fay. Last met on the 1st wed of Jan. Have developed a

subcommittee to develop preferences for developers who are coming to the OTRCC seeking support. Marlene is working with Roy Hackworth at the city about the republic street lots. Another topic they are looking at is the impact of tax increases on owner occupied residences. Next meeting is at 6pm on the first Wednesday in Feb at Graydon on Main. Will look at the next step to update the housing study.

- b. Operations and structure—Danny Klingler. Next meeting is Friday 1/26 at 1pm at Chatfield College.
- c. Parking and transportation—Bill Cappel (Maybe? 3CDC proposal for parking lot at Liberty and Race.) Bill is the new chair of this committee. They will meet with 3CDC rep about the parking lot at Liberty and Race. Want to come up with letter of support for the bus system. Feb 1st at Chatfield at 6pm.
- d. Public services and safety—Bob Sehlhorst. Reps from the Cincinnati Police department. Talked about how to roll out the adopt a block program. Meeting with the director of public services next week. How to coordinate the trash pickup days-they will bring this question before the director. Goal is to get adopt a block program up and running in march.
- e. Outreach and engagement—Valarie D is the new chair- wants to meet Feb 2nd at Chatfield college. Has distributed flyers to try and increase participation.
- f. FY 2018 Neighborhood Support Program (NSP)—Key Beck-would like more projects. Please bring him your projects to do in Over-the-Rhine!

Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm
