



July 22, 2019

Membership Minutes

1. Welcome. Amendment to the agenda-moving FC to the top (reports) as they have to be at a meeting shortly. Carissa moves. Amy seconds. Motion carries.  
Motion to approve the agenda. Amy moves. Katrina seconds. Motion carries.
2. Reports
  - a. Cincinnati Police-gave some updates. Welcomed people to the safety sector meetings. This Thursday there will be a stop the violence March from 1-3 in grant park.
  - b. Rothenberg-Ms. Alena Smith-Welcome to the new Principal! Shared her vision for the school-building a safe, collaborative, nurturing environment for students, teachers and families. She has been busy all July at School-interviewing staff. Upcoming events at Rothenberg Back to School Bash- August 17<sup>th</sup> from 12-4.
  - c. SCPA-Holly-100% graduation rate for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in row. Discover SCPA day-Oct 19<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm.
  - d. Chatfield-no report tonight
  - e. FC Cincinnati Presentation-Greg Otis with the design group-here to share an update with the overall design. Shared some design images, renderings, and superimposed drone images of the stadium design. City Link has been brought on as the first source hiring group for the project. Next job source training starting in September. Question about the lighting at night-sound light study complete. It will be released with the final zone request in August. Technical results of the study are being shared with Music Hall and the Ballet. There will be hot spots (bright spots) to ensure safety of those visiting.
  - f. Rec- Daniel Betz. Have worked for the last 18 months to come up with the 3-5 year business plan. This will give the dept. guidance on how they can use their resources across the city. Shared the business plan process-how they engaged stakeholders across various levels. Had a consultant look at the agency from top to bottom. Executive summary that Tim will share with us so we can distribute to the membership. Strengths-dedicated staff, programs, number and use of rec centers (top 10% in the nation). New vision and mission-essentially create an exceptional rec experience.  
Areas for growth identified. Next steps-going to each community council in the city and sharing this presentation. Willing to come back to community councils throughout the year to address issues and answer questions. Tim and Mr. Betz answered some questions. Encouraged people to review the executive summary of this report. Total capital need is around 97 million-issue of prioritizing when it comes to needs of various rec centers.  
Findlay Park-just finished community engagement-this week giving feedback on the final summary of this report to the consultant. Challenge 1 How do they activate Findlay Park? Got a donation of 25k from Duke Energy. Daniel Betz said the park is not going to be closed indefinitely-there is no intent to close the park.
3. Office Reports
  - a. President-Motion to ratify the new BOT officers. Maurice-President, Danny-Vice President, Amy-Secretary, Mike-Treasurer. Bonnie moves. Peter seconds. Motion carries.
  - b. Secretary-Motion to approve the June minutes. Amy moves. Carissa Seconds. Motion carries.

- c. Treasurer- Motion to approve the June report. Mike explains a mix up in the records with the May and June NSP dollars. Mike will fix this and we will approve the minutes next month.
- d. Vice President –Danny shared the history behind the BOTs action to draft a letter opposing the demolition of 1725 Elm St. Set out 2-4 weeks with the historic board. Josh moves approval of OTRCCs ratification of this letter re 1725 Elm. Carissa seconds. Motion carries.
- e. Introducing the Priority Process-Peter. Shared the homework he would like us to look at as a community on what our priorities would be for the council. Peter shared how the process worked last time. We will spend more time on this process at the August Meeting.

#### 4. Committee Reports

- a. Economic Development and Housing-Julie-at July meeting had a presentation from Gil Guthrie on the Mohawk plan draft. Will be back in Sept with the full plan. Gil was also working on updating the inventory and simplifying the methodology of the 2015 OTR Housing Study. Inviting Liz Bloom to the next meeting on how this change in methodology changes the data in questionable ways. Full minutes from last committee meeting available for OTRCC on tables. Julie invited people to join her committee as there is a lot of work to and she needs more hands!
- b. Operations and Structure-Carissa-Had a new onboarding packet for all BOT members this month in July. All those documents are also on the website. The website also has a calendar that is updated with all meetings of this council. Will next be working on the protocols of the OTRCC.
- c. Outreach and Engagement –Key-wanting to reach out to folks in the neighborhood. Thinking of having meetings on Mondays (will put dates on the calendar). August 3<sup>rd</sup> OTR Peoples Movement Walking Tour 2pm at meeting at Washington Park Free. Outreach and Engagement will also absorb NSP-NSP wrapping up. Please give Key your receipts if you have not yet done so. If you are thinking of doing a project next year that will start in September and see Key if have ideas.
- d. Parking and Transportation-Peter- last met on July 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - i Motion: Resolved, given the absence of notice or community engagement, the OTRCC objects to 3CDC’s proposal to vacate/lease 15<sup>th</sup> St to create a pedestrian plaza between vine and republic streets. Peter moves. Bonnie Seconds. Discussion followed.  
Adam from 3CDC shared from their perspective that they were tied up a bit due to funding and the timing of the water main replacement on Vine Street. Jason from Red Bike is engaging immediate neighbors on this effort. Adam said that they would be back before OTRCC to fully engage on the issue of vacating of 15<sup>th</sup>-this issue is not being addressed with this first phase of funds being approved by the city.  
Josh called the question. 11 in favor. 8 opposed. Motion carries. A letter will be sent.
  - ii. Liberty Street Presentation-Mathew Andrews. –Shared a presentation on the history of engagement on the project. There at 4, 6 lane options.  
Option a- just in OTR-move south side and add bumpouts 3.1 million  
Option b-base project plus OTRs desire to minimize lane widths 3.85 million  
Option c- base project plus Mt. Auburns and Pendleton’s desire for a better crossing at liberty hill 3.4 million. CHOSEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.  
Option d-base project plus both Mt Auburns and Pendleton’s and OTRs desires.  
Tonight they are seeking our final approval of option C. Trying to get this project done and out to bid this year. The construction season will be all next year.  
Liberty Street Motion: Resolved, the OTRCC approves the 3.4 million Liberty Street budget, version C, with a provision that any unspent funds, including the project contingency funds, would be used for beautification and pedestrian amenities in this project. Version C includes the \$450,000 Mt. Auburn and

Pendleton request for a traffic signal at Liberty Hill and Liberty Street. Peter moves. Carissa seconds. Motion carries.

Next meeting is August 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm-location to be announced.

Ride Share update- on Main in 3 spots-Ideas is that this block gets so busy that it would benefit from a designated spot for Lifts or Ubers to have a space to pull into. This is a pilot project. The police and chamber are on board with this project.

#### 5. Presentations

- a. Chris Uihlein-preserve race street garden. Community garden coordinator for Race Street and Pleasant Street Gardens. Historically the garden sits on 2 plots-13 gardeners now use that space. 3CDC owns one of those plots and would now like to develop on it. Danny moves approval of the letter. Key Seconds. 2 opposed, but motion carries.
- b. OTR Foundation Infill Committee –Kristen Meyers. Here to present the infill guidelines. These have been submitted to the city and they are hoping for a letter of support of these guidelines. These have been in development for the last 5 years; there has been extensive engagement over the course of these years. There are historic guidelines that developers have to comply with when development happens in the OTR historic district-this deals with the existing structures. This guideline looks to take a broader look at the infill being developed and how these spaces will be filled in. Krysten shared a PowerPoint on the process, goal and specifics of this project.  
There was some discussion.  
Motion to ratify the BOTs recommendation to write a letter of support of the infill guidelines. Key moves. Peter seconds. 9 in favor. 3 opposed. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourns at 8:34

Board members present: Maurice, Danny, Amy, Thomas, Julie, Mike, Carissa, John Walter, Key, John Wulsin.