



Membership Meeting Agenda
July 27, 2020

1. Welcome-Maurice
2. Updates (3 minutes)
 - a. Census Campaign-We All Count
 - b. 2020 Election-Mike
3. Officer Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Findlay Park update
 - ii. **Motion** to approve following resolution

MOTION:

WE MOVE that Findlay Playground - which was closed and gated for a period of nearly two years due to safety concerns - should be a flourishing, shared public space that increases safety and quality of life for the surrounding community.

WE MOVE that with the recent re-opening of Findlay Playground, in order to ensure a successful, sustainable, equitable future, that the City Administration draft and present to City Council a plan which accomplishes and includes the following:

- Uses Downtown/OTR TIF dollars to repair, revitalize, and upgrade the park portion of the property
- Considers also potentially including in the upgrades plans for a new, improved, and more appropriately-scaled OTR Recreation Center and revitalizing nearby Grant Park
- While TIF dollars are not eligible for operating expenses, a proposal should also include a plan for programming the space
- Ensures an outcome which is equitable and embraced by the community by establishing a Steering Committee comprised of representatives from each of the following groups: 1) Cincinnati Recreation Commission 2) Cincinnati City Council 3) Over-the-Rhine Community Council 4) City of Cincinnati Administration 5) Residents from immediately around Findlay Playground (some of whom should be low-income) 6) Over-the-Rhine Chamber of Commerce 7) Our Daily Bread 8) Affordable Housing Advocates; 9) 3CDC 10) Findlay Market

- b. Secretary-Amy
Motion to approve June Minutes
- c. Treasurer-Mike
Motion to approve the June report
- d. NSP-Key

4. New Business (10 minutes max please unless otherwise noted)
 - a. Imagination Alley/3CDC (15 minutes)
 - b. 1623 Pleasant St-John Blatchford-
Motion to recommend letter of support for the sale of City-owned historic building at 1623 Pleasant St and approval of their request for tax abatement
 - c. 120 W Elder-Mark Bruggeman
 - d. **Motion** to ratify board's approval of \$800 in funds to support and increase participation in the census through a creative process to be led by Margy.
 - e. Inquiry concerning in-time participation from members at Bot meetings?

5. Committee Reports

- a. Operations and Structure
- b. Economic Development and Housing-Julie Fay
 - i. Property Tax Working Group

Motion to send letter to recommend the City adopt an "intermediate Community Reinvestment Area (CRA)" tax abatement to property improvements by developers of small projects. This would apply the "Residential CRA " guidelines to the typical OTR building, (4 to 8 units, or small residential over commercial,) This would encourage diversity, increase jobs for small contractors and small developers. Letter would go to Property Tax Working Group, City Council, City Manager, Mayor.

TIF updates-Peter

- c. Parking and Transportation
 - i. **Motion** to oppose the requested extension of FCC animated LED light to offsite advertisers. We also oppose 365 days a year until 1am. A letter will be sent to the city.
 - ii. **Motion** to send a letter to city council regarding reopening the streetcar
 - iii. Discuss issues related to event planning for soccer stadium
 - iv. **Motion:** Parking and Transportation Committee recommends name change to Quality of Life and Infrastructure.

6. Motion to Adjourn