

Membership Meeting Minutes February 22, 2021

- 1. Welcome by Danny. Maurice will join us shortly. Amy moves to amend the agenda to give councilmember Mann 10 minutes at the top of the Updates part of the agenda. Peter Seconds. Motion carries. Amy moves approval of the agenda. Michael Flood seconds. Motion carries.
- 2. Updates (3-5 minutes)
 - a. Rothenberg-Ms. Kimbro-no update tonight
 - b. Police Report-District One-Officer Todd-Crime is overall down for the year. The only thing causing alarm is auto thefts. Just a reminder to be with your car when you are warming it up on cold mornings! Julie talked about an uptick in graffiti in the McMicken area. Margy thanked Officer Todd for his presence at the QOL committee meetings. Key asked about the closing of the alleys north of liberty and if there are any updates-waiting on moving forward with estimates that have come in for fencing. Officer Todd will keep Maurice updated on this project.
 - c. David Mann-10-minute check in. Budget and Finance Committee meeting today-had budget presentations. Have to have a budget that is balanced by the end of June. Hearing from all the department heads. All of the departments have faced challenges due to the pandemic. City revenue \$20 Million more than anticipated but \$15 million increase of expenses

Had a long conversation today about affordable housing and the balanced development initiatives that Greg Landsman has brought to the table. Bonnie Neumeier and some Peaslee staff gave a presentation to council today. Working towards a final ordinance that should be ready in a couple of weeks.

Question about the federal Covid relief that may be coming yet. David not sure what this will be mean for the budget but David is in favor of any influx of any help to get us through this crisis.

John Walter shared his concern that we will drive developers away from developing in the city if we are asking for them to meet various criteria around affordable housing and different requirements.

Maurice shared his on-going concern for the Over-the-Rhine Rec center and the need for support from the city to improve it.

Bonnie shared that Peaslee asked council today to at least support the equitable development questionnaire as part of their proposal so there is the same data that all departments and neighborhoods can operate from. So Pealsee is not fully in favor of Landsman's proposal as it does not include enough policy around affordability of housing development. Ms. June shared that she was grateful to Peaslee for advocating for the low-income people of the city.

Julie shared her experience of working outside of the city but still contributing payroll tax into the city through the employer. Is this still working? Julie is still hoping that this is still in effect in order to support the budget.

3. Officer Reports

- a. President: Board Vacancy with Amy Silver leaving this month. Per the bylaws this serves as the 30-day notice if you would like to join the board now is the time to submit. Central Parkway streetscape survey-we are going to share a survey with the membership that the groups working on this are circulating. Please fill this out.
- b. Secretary:
 - i. **Motion** to approve the January Minutes. Amy moves approval. Danny seconds. Motion carries.
 - ii. **Motion** to approve John Walter as the new Secretary of the Board. Danny moves. Peter seconds. Motion carries.
- c. Treasurer: **Motion** to approve the February Report-Carissa gave report in Mike's absence.
- d. Membership Renewal: reminder of new option to renew-John Wulsin
- e. Nominating Committee:
 - i. **Motion** to approve of Carissa and Amy to serve as the 2021 Nominating Committee. Carissa moves. Michael Flood seconds. We welcome others to join the committee if they are interested in helping. Motion carries.
 - ii. Review DRAFT Election Plan-we will not be voting on these documents next month but wanted to share what we have so far. Carissa gave a quick overview. We will look at these docs again over the next few months.
 - iii. Review DRAFT Voting Procedures-same as above.
- f. NSP-Key gave a brief update in Cory's absence. Encouraged people to reach out to Cory with their proposals asap.

4. New Business

- a. Final Imagination Alley Presentation-Margy-3CDC (15 minutes)-Katie Westbrook from 3CDC gave a presentation with updates to the Imagination Alley plan based on the latest round of community input and surveys. 3CDC did not have current renderings as their designers were not able to turn them around quickly enough. Some updates include the removal of the dog park that had been proposed, more inclusive seating, more plants and greenery thorough the space, simple games for kids, added plaque to identify the space as Imagination Alley and the history of the space, and keeping all historic mosaics. Tony Drummond and Mary Clare Reitz were present representing Storefronts. They shared what the group discussed with 3CDC, their ultimate wishes and feedback. There was a back and forth conversation with Lann from 3CDC. 3CDC did move on some of storefronts concerns but were not able to address them all. Storefronts shared that as of today (this point in the process) their role officially ends. Katie added that 3CDC will hold at least one more update/input session with POAH in the near future as they have residents right on the Alley.
 - i. Motion-Over-the-Rhine Community Council supports the plans for Imagination Alley presented by 3CDC, including those amendments to the design shared after input from residents and park users. Margy moves. Peter Seconds. Motion carries-15 in favor, 4 opposed, 3 abstain.
- 5. Committee Reports (10-15 minutes)
 - a. Quality of Life-Margy

i. **Motion** to ratify emergency action taken by the board re proposed street closures (letter attached)

Margy moves approval of the motion. Peter seconds. There was some brief conversation. Motion carries. 14 in favor, 6 opposed, 1 abstaining.

b. Economic Development and Housing-Julie

No action items from her committee this month but Julie gave updates from the last meeting.

The ED&H Committee received updates on both the Wilkommen and Perseverance Projects. 3CDC sent in a description of the project with updates-163 apartments. 56 of these will be 50-60% AMI. Perseverance-joint OTRCH 3CDC project-32 apartments at 50% AMI, 4 @ 30% AMI. Julie shared the current process to apply for these upcoming units. Perseverance-currently working off existing wait list but as more units become available OTRCH will open waitlist-reach out to Cynthia Bell (leasing manager at OTRCH 381-1171). Wilkommen-leasing@modelgroup.net to be added to their waitlist. Mix of studios, 1- and 2-bedroom units.

Julie's committee met with new Finlay Market staff -they were happy to engage with the committee

Fact50 update-Dr. Mark-Logan Commons has applied for the funds. There were 2 other applications that came in as the deadline was extended. Wilkommen 2-48 units of affordable housing. This project would wipe the rest of the Fact50 credits (this is not a bad thing as we want to use them as a city). The second application was from L+E Development-20-unit project. The Committee and City are reviewing the applications. Hoping to award credits by mid—march.

Wilkommen 2 may come before Julie's committee on March 2nd at 6pm (next meeting). Dr. Mark will continue to keep the membership updated. We will ask them to fill out the developer questionnaire for Wilkommen 2.

- c. TIF-Peter and Abby, the Pendleton Community Council President have connected over the effort to establish a join committee to address TIF. Abby on board. Still need to find a way to engage with Mt. Auburn. Peter will get in touch with the OTRCC board to discuss this effort at the next board meeting. Peter is still waiting to hear from Dan Bower at the City regarding some questions Peter has recently submitted. Community Engagement Guidelines-Peter still waiting to hear more about the supposed existing draft of guidelines from the city managers office.
- d. Operations and Structure-Carissa-There are 2 recommendations of updates to the bylaws that we will vote on as a membership next month. Carissa reviewed the proposed changes and rationale behind the changes (clarity being the primary reason!). Proposed changes are below.
 - i. <u>Notice of proposed by-law changes</u>. Vote will take place on March 22, 2021 at Membership Meeting (this serves as a 30-day written notice.)
 - 1. Motion to amend the bylaws to include additional language to further define the term of a Trustee.

Article IV-6.

No member may hold more than one office at the same time. Each member shall serve for a term of two (2) years. No member may serve more than three (3) consecutive full terms as a trustee. Trustees who are

term-limited by this article may again run for the board of trustees after a two-year (2) period off the board. Full term of office is defined in Article V-4. Replacement of vacant trustee position is not considered a full term.

2. Motion to amend the bylaws to include additional language to change the date for trustee candidates from April 30 to the membership meeting in April as follows:

Article V-3 E.

Original: Nominations for candidates to the board of trustees shall be submitted in writing to the nomination committee no later than April 30 of such year.

Revised: Nominations for candidates to the board of trustees shall be submitted in writing to the nomination committee no later than the April membership meeting of such year.

6. Motion to Adjourn. Amy moves. Michael Flood Seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourns at 8:15pm.

Board members present: Amy, Carissa, Danny, Julie, Margy, John Wulsin, John Walter, Maurice Wagoner, Key