



June 28th, 2021 Membership Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome. Motion to approve the agenda.
2. Updates
 - a. Rothenberg – Ms. Kimbro
 - b. District 1 Police Report
3. Officer Reports
 - a. Secretary: **Motion** to approve the May, 2021 minutes (Attached)
 - b. Treasurer: **Motion** to approve the May 31st, 2021 Report. (Attached)
4. New Business
 - a. John Wulsin has designed a form (ballot) on a link with the 14 BOT candidates. Members can fill out the form (ballot) at any time during the meeting. John will go over details and answer any questions.
 - b. Nina Myers with True Partner Credit Union – Introduction – Looking for a local person to work at the Credit Union with duties to reach out to assess the community needs. Also looking for volunteer Credit Union Board Members. Ms. Myers will speak at the June General Membership meeting.
 - c. Findlay Recreation Project – New 3CDC survey runs through July 2. Link follows:
<https://forms.gle/6vku9SxrVErEDTcn7>
 - d. Liberty and Elm Appeal Update
5. NSP Report
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Economic Development and Housing –
 - i. The following Motion came out of a presentation to the ED&H Committee from Christian Huelsman, the director of Spring in Our Steps:
MOTION: in support of the organization Spring In Our Steps, and their work to restore and preserve the cobblestone section of Peete Alley as a public right of way. The alleys, stairs and streets make the neighborhood what is, and we ask that the City ensure the public right of ways are maintained for generations to come. Furthermore, we ask that the City pursue every possible action to ensure adjacent properties are not demolished, either deliberately or through neglect. In particular, the properties at 2022 Vine, 17 Mulberry, and 33 Peete all need extra close vigilance to ensure they are not demolished or destroyed through neglect.
 - ii. Mohawk Area Plan went to City Council this past week. Julie to give update.
 - iii. **Motion: Submit the following list of priority projects to the City of Cincinnati for consideration in the 2021 Budget:**
 1. Vine & McMicken - With Findlay Playground adjacent, pedestrian safety especially for children needs to be improved. The current geometry and timing of signals makes crossing very difficult for pedestrians. Adding curb extensions, removing the slip lane from northbound Vine to eastbound McMicken, and painting zebra stripes would help slow traffic and improve pedestrian safety.
 2. Streets surrounding Rothenberg Elementary School - the streets of E McMicken, Main, and E Clifton all see significant pedestrian traffic from the school. Curb extensions (Main/E Clifton, Main/Schiller, McMicken/Main, E Clifton/Antique), zebra crosswalks, and elevated crosswalks would all help improve pedestrian safety. Where possible, speed humps on E Clifton would help slow traffic where many children play.
 3. 14th & Sycamore - Adjacent to Peaslee Neighborhood Center, the intersection of 14th and Sycamore, traffic on Sycamore does not have a stop sign or signals, creating a dangerous crossing for pedestrians. Adding curb extensions, pedestrian paddles, or other improvements will help slow traffic and improve pedestrian safety.

4. W McMicken & Ravine & Central Parkway - Currently there only crosswalks on 2 of the 4 sides of the intersection. Curb extensions would reduce crossing distance and help slow traffic. Northbound Ravine does not have a stop sign which creates significant safety risks for pedestrian traffic.
5. Streets surrounding St Francis Seraph School - the streets of Moore, Huber, Vine, and Liberty all see significant pedestrian traffic from the school. Curb extensions and zebra striped crosswalks should be installed wherever possible to slow traffic and prioritize pedestrian safety.

- iv. Peter Hames - A report on attempts to create a list of projects to be funded by TIF funds in the TIF East and TIF West districts.
- v. Peter Hames - A report on community engagement to set a policy on boundaries, overlap areas, notice and standing for the community councils and city to follow.
- vi. At the ED&H Committee meeting, Carissa Barnard shared renderings of the proposed new-build FotoFocus facility to be located on the northwest corner of Liberty and Sycamore. The 2-story space is planned to have 2 large and 2 small galleries and a 160 - seat theater for year-round exhibition of lens-base art. They are not currently asking for a letter of support.
- vii. Public Engagement scheduled for July for Logan Senior Housing and Findlay Parking Garage. Exact dates and times TBD.
- viii. Next ED&H meeting, Tuesday, July 6th, 6 pm. (Tentative)

b. Operations and Structure

- i. A hard drive for the treasurer to back up important files for future in person meetings will be purchased.

c. Quality of Life

- 1. MOTION: The Over-the-Rhine Community Council opposes the amendments to the Zoning Code proposed June 4. The City of Cincinnati administration has not provided a clear explanation of the impact of the code and has not provided meaningful opportunities for resident and/or community council engagement and input. Until such explanations and opportunities are provided, the Planning Commission and City Council should not proceed with consideration of these code amendments.**
- 2. EMERGENCY MOTION – The OTRCC asks that City Council hold and not consider the proposed new “FC Cincinnati Vending District” until the city administrator provides notice to nearby residents and Community Councils, offers engagement and receives and considers input regarding the proposal.**

7. Motion to Adjourn