Membership Meeting Minutes
January 24th, 2022
6 PM – 7:30 PM, Meeting to be held on Zoom only

1. Welcome to this meeting held on zoom. Maurice motioned to add Steve Hampton to the agenda to report on 2022 Bockfest update moving Bockfest to Findlay Playground. John Wulsin seconded. Approved. Motion to approve the agenda. Maurice made motion; Peter seconded- Passed

2. Recreation: Findlay Recreation Center Update – CRC – Rick Schroer gave report – Rick is working with Steve Hampton on Bockfest at Findlay Park and Julie Fay on Hanna Park events – Rec center has been busy - Brandy from 3CDC reported on Findlay Park improvements – Community Engagement on site placement and massing was delayed due to COVID – Survey in two weeks will be released by 3CDC for site amenities at Findlay and Grant Park – Responses to the survey will be due 2 weeks or so after release of survey - $300K-$500K of TIF money will be requested from the city for continued design efforts – E-mail findlayrec@3CDC.org to be added to Findlay Park update list

3. CPD Update – Officer Carroll Todd gave crime report – Multiple robberies, assaults and burglaries in OTR reported. Captain Hammer present– Looking for a space for Safety Sector meetings – will be held every 3rd Thursday – will attempt to have hybrid meeting with zoom – still preliminary

4. Officer Reports
   a. President – Stephan Pryor has volunteered to chair a neighborhood and outreach committee – We will introduce Stephan later in the meeting - Still working on hybrid meeting for February or March – Rick Schroer weighed in support for the return of our meetings to the rec center when COVID subsides, hopefully in the February or March timeframe.
   b. Vice President – No report – Brian observing Wesley Chapel trustee meeting tonight and will report back
   c. Secretary: Motion to approve the November 22nd, 2021 Membership Meeting minutes (attached)- John made motion, Peter seconded - Passed

   John Walter read this notice to membership: This is the formal announcement of a vacancy in the board of trustees. Members in good standing who wish to apply are invited to fill out a nomination form, available on the OTRCC webpage. The deadline for completed nominations to be received/postmarked is Tuesday, February 8. The board of trustees will interview candidates at the February 14 board of trustees meeting. The board will submit the name of the recommended candidate for ratification at the OTRCC February 28 membership meeting. (Note that Peter Hames as stepped down from his trustee position)

d. Treasurer: Motion to approve the December 31st, 2021 treasurers report (attached) Mike made motion and Maurice seconded – Passed – Balance of AIG money spent on hybrid meeting equipment. This makes us eligible to get next year’s AIG money. Mike is only one with OTRCC debit card with pin. All expenditures are pre-authorized by BOT. Card was taken down from Amazon to protect it.

   Census Data Housing Study – Mike spoke to this. Approximately 55 pages long. It has been peer reviewed.
1. Version 3 attached
2. Working meeting scheduled for Mon. 1/31 at 4:30, with Version 4 reviewed.
3. To board on Mon. 2/14 for recommendation to the membership
4. To membership for approval Mon. 2/28

5. New Business
   a. New Liquor Permit Request – See Attachment OTR 1.19.22. If you oppose, please write to OTRCC President and it will be forwarded to CPD, Officer Carroll Todd.
   b. Steve Hampton report on Bockfest: Steve couldn’t be present. He will be invited to give updated Bockfest plans at the February OTRCC meeting. Rick Schroer reported CRC has been working with Steve to help host Bockfest in Findlay Park. CRC will host family friendly Bockfest event on Sunday.


7. Committee Reports
   a. Quality of Life and Transportation Committee Report – Margy
      1) Presentation and Discussion: Possible Street Closure, Woodward and Yukon Streets – Proposal came to OTRCC in November. Captain Hammer reported that over the past year District 1 has received numerous disorder and crime complaints from citizens about this area. City administration asked CPD for solutions. One potential solution forwarded by the city administration is to temporarily close this area, along with other approaches to improve the crime situation in the area. Captain Hammer said that Main Street issues are complex. Woodward area is unmanaged since it is purely public space, putting the responsibility on CPD. Numerous points of view were given by members. Maurice brought up the loss of parking if the street is closed. Margy thanked Captain Hammer for his input. No vote scheduled for this meeting since the city has not expressed any urgency on OTRCC input. Will be on QOL agenda in February for further discussion.

      2) Motion: Send a letter to DOTE with the top two locations as voted on by the Over-the-Rhine Community Council. Include the 3 locations with lesser votes as alternates. Margy motioned, Maurice seconded. Passed.

         The top two based on the vote were E. McMicken (from Vine to Liberty) and E Clifton (from Main to Vine).

      3) NAF grant update and final call for proposals. Margy asked for proposals to be brought to the February QOL meeting. Peter added the proposals should reflect values of OTRCC.

   b. Economic Development and Housing – John Wulsin – John summarized the following in Item #1:

      1) At our January 4th ED&H meeting, the primary item discussed was OTRCH’s proposed project at 2000 Dunlap. We heard a presentation from OTRCH and heard feedback from the community, including nearby residents and property owners. There are concerns about the timing of the project feeling "rushed" since it is going before HCB for a density and side-lot variance on January 24th (before our membership meeting). The variance needed for OTRCH’s application to OHFA, will be submitted in the first week of February. But the January HCB ruling will not give OTRCH a COA (Certificate of Appropriateness) so they cannot proceed with construction until the architecture is finalized and approved by HCB. That is expected to happen in late spring (~May/June). We have encouraged OTRCH
to continue to engage with the community (community council, nearby businesses, infill committee) over the coming months and will help organize a design charrette in early March with all relevant parties.

Next ED&H meeting: February 1 at 6pm on Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84027016610?pwd=Uk12QStVbm1WSGdOYVJOObG5sTUZEUT09

Stephan Pryor – Mentioned originally during President’s report. Maurice introduced Stephan as someone that made a commitment to join the Community Council and head the new Neighborhood and Outreach committee. Stephan presented how he will lead a new Neighborhood and Outreach committee. T-shirts, talent show, yard signs, basketball with youth, go door to door to sign up members, etc. Ramsey, John Wulsin and Brian Conner all expressed appreciation for Stephan’s enthusiasm. John Wulsin and Brian Conner asked Maurice where this item was on the agenda. Maurice stated this item was added to the agenda. No voted asked for or taken.

   1. Membership updates
      a. A reminder to signup / renew your membership by going to https://otrcommunitycouncil.org/membership-sign-up/

   2. Work program Priorities (Also see attachment)

      Economic Development and Housing: Local Economy (35 total answers)
      1. Develop Strategies around Affordable Housing
      2. Equitable Development/Historic Preservation
      3. Homelessness/Business for All

      Operations, Structure and Organization: Operations of OTRCC (27 total answers)
      1. Establish and Operate Membership and Outreach Committee
      2. Increase Membership Engagement
      3. Hire Community Organizer
      4. Reactivate OTR Community Festival, Halloween, Easter, and National Night Out

      Quality of Life and Infrastructure: Quality of Life (17)
      1. Building Community
      2. Improve Appearance of Neighborhood
      3. Trash and Litter Elimination

      Community Safety (14)
      1. Crime
      2. Bikers and Pedestrian Safety
      3. Violence & Eliminate Guns

      Motion: Be it resolved that the OTRCC approve the list of priorities listed above; and
Be it further resolved that the new committee on membership and outreach be established as soon as possible; and

Be it further resolve that the existing committees review the priorities for transfer to another committee or collaboration with another committee; and

Be it further resolved that the committees report back to the OTRCC at the April 2022 meeting on the work programs of the committees that result from these deliberations: and

Be it finally resolved that the committees give quarterly status reports in July, October, January, April and so on.

John made motion; Peter seconded – Denny made amended motion to remove hiring community organizer – Ramsey seconded amendment - Passed – Motion to approve document as written with community organizer removed - Passed

8. Motion to Adjourn – Seconded - Passed – Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM - Trustees present – Maurice, John Wulsin, John Walter, Ramsey, Margy, Mike, John Hancock, Peter, Denny, Brian – Not present - Clara, Cory, Danny – Maximum attendance during meeting – 39 individuals