

Washington Park East Neighborhood Association

February 14, 2023

Board Meeting Minutes

Pre-meeting presenters:

DPD Community Resource Officer Kate Young

Thomas Wolf, candidate for mayor

Denver Public Schools Board member Scott Balderman

Paul Kashmann, City Councilman

The Board meeting was brought order by Tim McHugh at 8:10 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Lance Musselman, Leslie MacRossie, Tim McHugh, Bill Tracy

Board Members Not Present:

None.

Quorum? Yes

Approval of agenda.

Introduction of Board members.

Other attendees and sign ins to meeting:

Officer Kate Young

Helen and Bernie

Biddie Labrot

Karen

Patricia Luby

Michael Davenport

Remi Ruyle

Reno

The minutes for the January 10, 2023 meeting were accepted.

Code of Conduct:

The Board reviewed the proposed Code of Conduct for Board members. The Board does not currently have a code of conduct and has felt the need for one.

Motion to adopt the proposed code made by Lance Musselman: second by Leslie MacRossie; all votes were in favor of adoption of the proposed Code.

Applications for Board vacancies:

The Board of Directors has received three applications for appointment to current vacancies. They are Jeff Spinzig, Mark Williamson and Brooke Walters Shannon. Tim McHugh appointed all three to the Board effective immediately.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill Tracy reported on revenues and expenses for the past month. The balance of the WPENA bank account is \$23,104.92. The report was accepted.

Quickbooks, the software program used for WPENA record keeping, has eliminated the desktop version and is going to a monthly agency rental which will cost \$510 annually. Bill has been looking for a replacement, checking with other RNO's, but has not yet found one and will keep looking.

Committee Reports:

Zoning: Biddie Labrot, Chair

Biddie reviewed the results from the neighborhood survey on ADU's,, for which we received 329 responses, 53 of which were by mail. The survey was both printed in the newsletter and posted on the website.

While 70.06% respondents were aware that the City is recommending individual re-zoning for ADUs, only 52.47% are aware that the City was proposing an increase in the current allowable size for ADUs.

67.31% of respondents do not support the height increase of the ADU's to 2 stories

64.72% do not support the larger ADUs in a U-SU-B1 zoned lot

65.9% do not support the changes to increase the allowable bulk plane for ADUs

62.46% do not support the use of balconies on ADUs

69.75% do not support the removal of owner occupancy requirements

While only 43.12% support ADU's in Washington Park, 39.88% would support their neighbor in a request for an ADU.

Because the open discussion period before the Board Meeting ran long, reports from Communications, Events, Crime and Safety, Sustainability, Traffic, Park/FANS and INC were deferred until the next meeting.

Old Business:

Revising Bylaws

Lance asked for Board consensus to move forward with proposed changes to the bylaws. As there were no objections, Lance will contact an attorney to begin the process.

Future Speakers:

March: Maria Flora, representative for Parks and Open Space and Save Open Space Denver. Referred Question 2 on April 4th ballot. If she agrees, Ian Harwick will need to be moved to a later date.

New Business:

Bill asked the Board whether any objected to his opening WPENA accounts with Jot Form and Webflow, both of which will be needed to use the new website. There were no objections.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. by Tim.

Lance Musselman

Secretary

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