

CHCNA GENERAL MEETING

Date: April 18, 2017

Board Members Present: Meredith Morningstar, Martin Scales, David Risher, Jo Jensen

Absent: None

Contact Team Present: April Neal

Meeting called to order by President, Meredith Morningstar 6:30.

15 people present, including board members.

Everyone introduced themselves, stating where they live and how they serve.

Meredith read the CHCNA Mission Statement.

Minutes no longer read as they are published to the website.

David Risher provided Treasurer's report: \$3,796.42 available balance in checking account; outstanding checks account for \$132.37; petty cash \$10.50

DR Ristow not present. Martin provided report from Officer Ristow. It was requested by Bonnie that Officer Ristow provide a more detailed report of the 7 streets in CHCRN.

Speaker, Miller Nuttle with Bike Austin, introduced himself and discussed ways in which to make Rundberg and Cameron Roads safer. Asking for bike lanes, school crossings, and other modifications necessary to make areas safer. A Bike Austin event will be held at 2 PM at the North Austin YMCA on Rundberg Lane this Sunday, April 23rd. Bike Austin is part of the Vision Austin group to assess and assist with making areas safer prior to and after bike lanes are implemented. A letter written to Council Members Casar and Houston by Bike Austin in conjunction with several neighborhood associations was distributed by Miller Nuttle. The speaker fielded and responded to several questions from the audience. He shared that Davis, CA is ranked as the most "bike friendly" city in USA, and has been so designated for 30 years, primarily due to the citywide support of cyclist-friendly infrastructure.

OLD BUSINESS:

Question raised again about turtle bumps at Coronado Hills and Creekside. Discussion remains open about resolution with city and possibilities related to implementation of other traffic calming concepts.

Loitering at corners near bus stops continues to be a nuisance. Meredith encouraged neighbors to call 311 to report witnessed loitering, and have bus stop numbers available to provide when calling.

Criminal trespassing is a reportable crime. Call when you see someone just sitting or hanging around, not waiting for bus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Martin discussed the neighborhood email list as a vehicle for dispensing important information received from the city via email. Anyone interested in becoming part of the listserv was encouraged to send Martin an email with the title: NEIGHBORHOOD EMAIL LIST. Question was raised as to whether email addresses of neighborhood members would be "blind" for privacy purposes. It was suggested using

Yahoo or some other mechanism for privacy usage. Further consideration of the mechanism will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

Meredith shared the following information about city projects:

Mobility35 has 9 projects along I-35 in Williamson, Hays, and Travis counties. Those closest to our neighborhood include:

- The I-35 from Rundberg to US 183 will add 3 flyovers at the I-35/US 183 interchange (I-35 southbound to US 183 southbound; US 183 northbound to I-35 northbound; I-35 southbound to US 183 northbound)
- Improve the existing I-35 northbound to US 183 northbound flyover
- Rebuild St. Johns Ave. bridge (construct new frontage road U-turns in both directions; construct new intersection bypass lanes under the St. Johns bridge in both direction
- Add extended entrance/exit ramps
- Reconfigure and improve ramps and shoulders
- Improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodations

City recommends that we stay involved via: www.My35.org/capital or www.My35construction.org

Ora Houston is having a Town Hall Meeting hosting Austin Code Department and the Austin Police Department. They will provide information concerning the new process for licensing and inspecting boarding homes on April 29th from 10-12 at Hope Lutheran Church on 6414 N. Hampton Drive.

City of Austin held a conference on the new zoning draft. There will be a community meeting in District 1 on May 13th at LBJ High School from 1-3 PM. Email received from Ora Houston stated there had been 9 meetings within our district in the past year. Ms. Houston asked if anyone from CHCRNA attended and was it made clear that the housing plan would amend Imagine Austin? Response was NO and NO because no one received advance information regarding these meetings.

Interest in having a neighborhood block party was discussed. Bonnie provided survey results from last year's party. Survey indicated May or early June at somewhere with "shade" would be preferred. Further dialogue will occur at Board Meeting with discussion to ensue at next general meeting.

Meredith announced that next month's general meeting will be a business meeting (no speaker). May is our last meeting until September.

Last date for plant sales at the Clifton Greenhouse will be this Saturday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Contact Team Report provided by April via handout. Vote to approve the Contact Team Bylaw Amendments was unanimously approved. Details of CT report can be found on the neighborhood websites.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Jensen

Secretary