

**GTNA Meeting Minutes**  
**December 6, 2021**  
**6:30 – 7:30 p.m. meeting via Zoom Meeting**

**Attending: Jay Russell, Jane Sarafiny, Dana Russell, Helen Sheahan, Mayo Ewanowski, Kathy Batha, Judi Duncan, Christian Albouras, Lance Hartung**

Meeting started at 6:31pm.

The **November Minutes** were approved.

**Alder Christian Albouras** reported that the City budget was passed including funding public safety and funding for low-income housing which is good as the GTNA board supported these measures.

Also, new Aldermanic districts have been defined for Madison. Unfortunately, Meadowood, will not be in the same district as Prairie Hills and Greentree effective Jan. 1, 2022. Greentree will stay in District 20 while Meadowood will be in District 10. Alder Albouras will continue to represent District 20 through the next election in April 2023. A new Alder will represent Greentree after the next election as Alder Albouras lives in District 10. Alder Albouras will introduce us to the Alder who lives in District 20 now.

Going through a final vote with the City Council on Dec. 7, 2021, is a motion to remove the requirement that property owners who want to add additional dwellings to their property must go through the Planning Commission. This means that neighborhoods will not have a say in that process anymore. Property owners still must meet building code standards. The reason for the motion is to create more housing opportunities in the city.

Safety is a big issue. Mr. Hartung brought up a recent incident where gunshots were fired very close to his house and asked what can be done. Mr. Albouras is very aware of these types of incidents as shots were fired on his block this summer. The City is working on violence prevention programs to identify those with a propensity for criminal activity. Ms. Batha suggested that more cameras could be employed to help identify perpetrators. Can cameras be installed at stop signs or other public areas? Mr. Albouras will follow up with this. We should continue to report to police when incidents happen. There is an upcoming West Side Community Conversation Zoom meeting on Dec. 8 that people can attend. Mr. Albouras will connect Mr. Hartung with other concerned citizens as well.

**Greentree Directory** Ms. Ewanowski has been working on the Membership Directory and sent out a prototype for the Board to review. It was reviewed during the meeting. The Board was unanimous in their appreciation for the work that Ms. Ewanowski is putting into the directory. With a copy going to the 160+ Greentree members, it was determined that an additional 50 copies should be printed for future needs. MG&E and Vitense will have ads in the directory. Ms. Ewanowski will try to get the directory printed by the end of December. Mr. Russell will work with Mr. Phillip Cowles on updating the website and assigning GTNA.org email addresses to the personal email accounts of Board members and area reps. The vacant area rep email addresses (Areas 3, 5, 7, and 11) will be forwarded to the GTNA President until those positions are filled.

The meeting ended at 7:33pm.

**The next GTNA Board meeting is scheduled for Monday February 7, 2022, starting at 6:30 p.m. and will be held via a Zoom meeting session.**