



MPNA General Meeting Minutes

Date: Sept 5, 2018

Location: Covenant Church

Time: 6pm - Meeting brought to order by Cynthia Tang

President's Report: Cynthia Tang-Treasure substituting for Sandy Stevens-President

- Guest: Sharon Moses-Burnside & Velyjha Southern from the City of Houston to Present overview of the Midtown Cap Park project. In addition, Natalia Beard from SWA Group architects reviewed their part in this project.
- Sharon Moses-Burnside - This is still in concept form. Study Area – Light Rail, street crossings. She focused on the Wheeler street area. Laid out planning process. Project updates due to neighborhood voice.
- Natalia Beard, Principle with SWA Landscape gave detail of their design for the Cap Park. They have taken into consideration stakeholders input. Questions followed.
 - 1) Rice input
 - 2) Sound study?
 - 3) Will entrance on San Jacinto to 69 still be available?
 - 4) Time-frame so neighbors can plan to take different routes.
 - 5) Cost for Cap Parks?
 - 6) What part of City will this project start in?
 - 7) Exhaust from cars
 - 8) Fences on Bridges

Presentation will be on website.

Preservation: Lynn Dahlberg

- Update on Sears Retrospective that has blossom to memories of Main Street. They have connected with a great photographer who has many pictures of the area. Will be working with Lawndale museum to enlist their help. Brittani Flowers looking for Grants to fund this effort.

Barbara McGuffey VP (Absent) No Report

MPSN Report: Kathleen O'Reilly (Absent) No Report.

Green Team – Cynthia Tang

- The team picked up Tree Waste on the Esplanades. It is against the law to put tree waste in the esplanades. COH picks up tree waste on the 3rd Monday of the Month on odd months.
- Green Team received a Grant for neighborhood beautification. Spoke about Crawford End Cap and why it was selected to complete an end cap.

Secretary's report: Bill Powell - No Report

Treasurer's Report: Cynthia Tang - No report

Parliamentarian- Kim Mickelson (Absent) No Report

Membership: Louis Selig absent (Absent) No Report

Community Engagement: Cindy Woods

- Christmas event will be held December 3 at Lucille's
- Sept 28th is Miller Outdoor Theatre – Rain or Shine
- Oct 2nd is National Night Out – asked for volunteers.

Safety & Security Report: Pam Campbell

- Many Bicycle thefts ...take picture of serial number on bike.
- Call 311 or use the 311 app.
- Pam and Barbara are meeting 9/13 at 3:00 pm with Marc Eichenberg regarding the Homeless/Wheeler Encampment. Should have more information at National Night Out.
- Anti-Gentrification graffiti, trying to get more police in area.

Announcements:

No October meeting due to National Night Out, October 2