

MUSEUM PARK GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 4, 2017 Covenant Church

1. President's Report – Cynthia Tang for Sandy Stevens
 - a. The General Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.
 - b. Cynthia thanked everyone who volunteered at or attended National Night Out (NNO).
2. Vice-President's Report: No report
3. Secretary's Report – Sara Gladden; no report
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Membership Chair – Barbara McGuffey
 - New members recognized
 - If you are not a member, please consider joining. Everyone is welcome on committees.
 - Elections for the MPNA Board will take place at the November meeting. The nominating committee consists of Barbara (chair), Greg Quintero & Kim Mickelson. If you are interested in serving on the Board, or wish to nominate a neighbor, please contact Barbara. A nominating form was attached to the meeting notice. All Board members must have been an active MPNA member for at least 1 year.
 - Barbara recognized new members of her committee, Bill Powell & Jessica Martinez. Bill was instrumental in making the car stickers that were distributed at NNO.
 - b. Community Engagement Chair – Cindy Woods
 - NNO recap: Cindy displayed the certificate from Commissioner Ellis. Thanks were given to committee members Cathy Ehrlinger & Lisa Lipscomb. Thank you to all volunteers & attendees.
 - November 10: MPNA outing at Miller Outdoor Theatre. This will be a BYO picnic; MPNA will provide drinks. Reserved tickets for the night's show, Pedal Punk (<http://milleroutdoortheatre.com/events/1033/>) will be available.
 - December 4: Members-only holiday dinner at Lucille's; details are forthcoming.
 - Get-well cards for Officer Garcia from the South Central station are available for signing. He remains in critical condition following a motor vehicle accident.
 - From the floor, a reminder of the monthly South Central PIP meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, October 17. A Halloween night trunk party is also scheduled for children to trick or treat.
 - c. Quality of Life and Infrastructure – Barbara McGuffey for Kathleen O'Reilly
 - The ongoing excavation in the esplanade across from the Mondrian project is fully permitted & a mitigation plan has been developed. A tree was removed and replanted elsewhere on the street.
 - Cindy Woods reminded people to take photos & inform MPNA of any damage caused by area development projects.
 - From the floor, Lisa Lipscomb voiced a reminder that parking is not allowed on esplanades. Call 311 if you see parking or trash piles (i.e. illegal dumping) on the esplanades.
 - d. Safety and Security – Greg Quintero
 - (NB: Report took place later in the meeting)
 - An ad hoc committee was formed to explore the concerns regarding the US-59 encampment. A resolution was drafted for consideration by the Board. The Board is preparing suggestions/edits, and the committee will work to finalize the resolution, and pending adoption by the Board, develop a plan to bring to the attention of elected officials (city, state, federal). This plan will entail neighborhood

involvement, eg. going to city council, talking points. Greg is working to have HPD designate this area as a HOT SPOT; he also is working to encourage continued collaboration among HPD, METRO & the Constables to achieve increased patrolling presence.

- Lisa Lipsomb noted that the Hampstead (Blodgett & LaBranch) has an O/N security guard parked nightly. She feels this has helped the crime in the immediate vicinity, but also wants people to be aware in the event that they were concerned about the parked car.

e. Preservation – Lynn Dahlberg

- All are welcome to attend Preservation Committee meetings. The next meeting is not scheduled, but Lynn will send an email once a date & location is set.
- A brochure is available containing architectural and historical facts about the neighborhood. Thank you to Brian Hill.
- The Herb Society will be hosting an Herb Fair November 4 at the Judson Robinson Community Center.

5. Treasurer's Report –Cynthia Tang

- See the website for documents
- As of Sept 1, MPNA has \$18,611 in the bank. We hope to be able to use some of this soon to implement improvements recommended in the Livable Centers Study.
- Thank you to all who have renewed. Barbara noted that we currently have ~160 members.

6. Parliamentarian Report – No Report

7. New Business and Announcements

a. Asia Society

- Night Market will take place on Fri, October 13. Southmore will be closed.
- Halloween: Candy will be available for trick or treaters by the main entrance. A zombie movie & a costume party are planned for adults. The movie will begin at 8pm and will cost \$5 for members/\$10 for non-members.

b. Lisa Lipscomb is exploring the possibility of working with TSU to help combat student food insecurity. She will provide an update for anyone interested in participating.

c. From the floor: What is going on at Southmore & Alameda? Is this HouSE? MPNA will have to investigate & report back.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm