



Grove CID Board of Directors Meeting
November 14th, 2016: 11:00am
At 4512 Manchester, St. Louis, MO 63110

Board Members in Attendance: Brian Phillips, Kelly Kenter, Jack Baumstark, Tom Boldt, Pete Rothschild, Don Bellon, Fran Fanara, Chip Schloss, Brian Pratt

Board members not in Attendance: Austin Barzantny, Guy Slay

Others in attendance: Matt Green (PCDC), Jim Whyte (CWE NSI), Landon Cornell (CWE NSI)

1. **Call to order**

K. Kenter called the meeting to order at 11:00 am

2. **Approval of October Minutes**

J. Baumstark motioned to approve the October Minutes. B. Pratt seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0-0.

3. **Chair's report**

None

4. **Public Comments**

None

5. **Committee Reports**

a. **Safety and Security Committee**

J. Whyte presented crime stats for FPSE for the month of October and compared them to 2016. He said that there has been an 88% increase in aggravated assaults for the year which is concerning. He also said that there were dramatically more crimes this October than in 2015. He reported that Captain Deeba said that the CID and FPSE neighborhood needs to look into converting the existing cobra head lights to LED. J. Whyte said that Chouteau and Sarah are the largest concerns. M. Green stated that the Parking Committee recently discussed and earmarked enough money to fund 30 conversions (at \$201 per fixture) around Sarah/Chouteau and Sarah/Vandeventer. M. Green said he would bring the idea up to the FPSE Infrastructure Committee and see if they would be interested in funding portions outside the immediate CID boundaries. J. Whyte said that he would get a priority list

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and present it to the CID at the next meeting. J. Whyte updated the Board on ongoing work related to cameras for the Grove. He also said that he has asked for information about TCF's recruitment efforts.

b. **Finance Committee**

B. Phillips reported on the Grove CID finances as of October 31, 2016. B. Phillips walked the Board through the balance statements and profit & loss statements for the various accounts. M. Green updated the CID on recent sales tax collections and reported that the CID has collected roughly \$7,000 less in the first 11 months of 2016 than in 2015. T. Boldt asked about the security patrols for GroveFest and wants to ensure that extra patrols were paid for by the event and not through the CID general operating account.

c. **Marketing Committee**

C. Schloss walked the Board through a recap of Monster Bash, which was held Halloween weekend in the Grove and sponsored by the CID. Chip said that the event helped draw people to the area and was a good model, since it didn't draw people away from ongoing parties, but rather encouraged people to bar hop. He said that the shuttles were unnecessary but the kick-off band at UCBC was a big success. T. Boldt asked C. Schloss about the recent car shows that are taking place on Manchester Ave. and asked how we can grow the event or at least do a better job promoting when they are happening. C. Schloss said that he believes that the events draw a good crowd from outside the normal visitors and there is a good chance for the event to grow. K. Kenter asked when the Board can expect to see a new resolution for the Marketing Committee and membership? M. Green said that he and C. Schloss would work on it and have a new committee ready to begin work by January 1, 2017.

d. **Public Service Committee**

M. Green made a suggestion that the Board move the two trash cans from in front of the closed Manchester Market to new locations (Reliance Bank and Sauce on the Side). The Board was OK with this suggestion. M. Green reported that the Christmas wreaths are going to be hung up this week or next week, as well as the Christmas banner (to be installed on the Treasurer's parking lot fence). He said that he is looking into installing evergreens or holly bushes in the planters, but it would be expensive. He also said that he is going to forego doing the Christmas lights this year since they are a logistical challenge and aren't ideal. The Board suggested that the CID fund more lights and continue that tradition and not do the planters. M. Green obliged and said that he would get things coordinated to have them installed

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the week of or after Thanksgiving.

e. **Nominations Committee**

No report.

f. **Parking Committee**

M. Green provided the Board with an update on a number of parking initiatives in the district, including the number of cars parked on the Archway Sales parking lot over the last month. He went over some of the items discussed at the recent Parking Committee meeting, including the need to update retail/parking ratios for the district and explore other potential parking lot leases.

6. **Administrator's Report**

M. Green informed the Board that the URB recently held a soft opening. He also informed the Board that 4400 Manchester recently held a ground breaking ceremony and that the City started painting crosswalk stripes on cross streets to Manchester Ave.

7. **Other**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

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