



FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

FEBRUARY 2020 MEETING MINUTES

18 February 2020 / 6:45 PM / Missouri Foundation for Health

MEETING MINUTES

6:45 Meeting Called to order (*Vincent Chewing*)

FPSE Neighborhood Business

6:45 – 6:55 pm Crime and Safety Report (*Ed Slade, SLMPD Liaison*)

- *Shooting on Chouteau*
 - *Arrest made, personal dispute between victim and suspect not from neighborhood*
- *Robberies*
 - *Attempted robbery of lot attendant, white male with surgical mask*
 - *Suspicious activities around parking lots*
 - *Car break ins around entertainment areas*
 - *4300 Arco car break in*
- *Assaults*
 - *Evenings around the entertainment areas*
- *Q&A*
 - *Patrol car that isn't the City's Finest sighted?*
 - *City's Finest for FPSE & new company doing the Grove [Campbell Security(?)]*
 - *Neighbor would like representation at future meeting*
 - *Why so many car break-ins?*
 - *A few were left running in cold weather, 2 officer vehicle assigned for 2 of 3 shifts in FPSE area*

6:55 – 7:00 pm Treasurer's Report (*Adelina Mart*)

- *Dues are now \$1 or more, in order to be inclusive of more individuals*

7:00 – 7:05 pm Call for Nominations – Treasurer (FPSE NA)

- *Nominations and voting will happen next month*
- *Must be dues paying member*

7:05 – 7:15 pm Neighborhood Improvement Specialist Update (*Ron Coleman*)

- *Ron Coleman is out sick*
- *Infrastructure updates: waiting to install playground and basketball court for warmer weather and drainage plans at Chouteau Park*
- *Do you love to throw parties? We are recruiting for hospitality committee to help plan National Night Out and other quarterly events*



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- Ronald McDonald House
 - Chouteau, between Newstead and Tower Grove - support facility for families, with shuttle service, playground, architectural features added
- MFH Tower Grove and Vista
 - corner building being demolished on Thursday
- Development Committee
 - 1417 Tower Grove - Between. Hunt & Tower Grove, remodeling of building, requesting letter of support and variances (not clear what variances)
 - 4440 Manchester - across from UCBC, same as 4400 with rainbow color (may have been not approved due to parking)
 - Feb 25th at 5:30pm @ Park Central Development
- Reforms to Development Committee
 - Increase communication to residents; inc. transparency to neighbors at NA meetings
 - Discussed opening votes and deliberations to the public - development committee decided to keep session closed
 - Alderman Roddy suggested a voting seat for NA at Development Committee
 - Requested an announcement period from PCDC to have better ability to respond.
 - Q&A
 - Would it be a board member or a separately elected position? It's important that that person be elected as a board member, since none of Dev Comm are elected by neighbors.
 - May need to look at adding an additional person because of time commitment.
 - What's hesitation with NA being on development committee? What is the difference between sitting on development or infrastructure?
 - Looking to keep a sense of neutrality, to keep the NA an open forum
 - Keep NA meetings from becoming overwhelmed by development?



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- Concern that residents on Dev. committee don't search out opinions of other neighbors.
- Neighbors and PCDC has not come to NA to update residents (PCDC is onboarding a staff and will be here in March for update)
- Should the NA representative be bound by votes of those at the NA meeting? We should be flexible to changing along the way.
 - Neighbor spoke to ensuring member votes based on form based code, not personal opinion
 - Neighbor spoke to voting based on vote of NA members
- All residents that spoke supported the NA being on the committee
- Will need amendment to the bylaws, will be a long process and neighbor feedback is requested
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- Q&A
 - Parking lot structure at Chouteau and Manchester?
 - New developer is taking over project from current developer
 - New sidewalks built
 - Will need to go to development committee for new plans
 - Could restaurants be part of planning events?
 - Business are eager to support events, but need more people for the planning time commitment for board
 - Kick ball game happened years ago between businesses and neighborhood
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- 7:15 – 7:30 pm** Community Announcements and Follow-Up (*Community, FPSENA Board*)
 - Comment: bylaws revisions are too influenced by PCDC; concern about home repair funds not being available; NA isn't doing enough to get repair funds
 - PCDC was not awarded development dollars recently, FPSE is out of the priority area, PCDC supposed to bring updates on home repair
 - Are there any Drury updates?



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- NA sent potential process to Alderman Roddy, Board has meeting with Tom next week to discuss what their next step is for a potential separate meeting on Drury
- Alderman Roddy: NA was suggesting sequence of meetings to discuss Drury development
- Question: will Roddy not support Drury if neighborhood is not supportive? A: Yes. if neighborhood doesn't want it.
- Comment: we won't be a neutral forum if we make the decision on Drury or not, not bad, but something to consider
- Comment: this is an opportunity to tell Drury what we want, maybe we should take it
- Comment: what are the alternatives to a hotel from WUMCRC? Why wasn't WASHU at the last meeting when neighbors were discussing? Need more active role? Jess (WUMCRC): has been committed to getting community engagement, RFQ was pulled, not sure on next steps, could be sold or not sold to anyone
- J. Roddy: provided history on acquisition of WashU property and how we've arrived at this Drury discussion
- Goal for NA is to get a process that allows residents to voice their opinion, not to be the decision makers
- Question: do we know what WashU is looking for in their RFQ? To put together a list of criteria and requirements from neighbors for when they make an assessment? To use it in their decision making?
- Question: does WashU have plans for the property?
 - There's nothing to share at this time.

7:30 PM Adjournment (*Vincent Chewing*)

Special Presentations and Discussion

7:30 - 8:30+ pm Social Hour at Gezellig



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FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST EVENTS:

Events in The Grove: calendar.thegrovestl.com

ADDITIONAL FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS:

Grove CID : 2nd Monday of every month @ 11:00AM at the PCD Office

FPSE Dev. Committee: 4th Tuesday of the month @ 5:30PM at the PCD Office

FPSE Inf. Committee: 3rd Monday of the month @ 6:00PM at the PCD Office