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21 MARCH 2023 / 6:45 PM / Zoom & Missouri Foundation for Health

AGENDA

Introduction & Meeting Ground Rules (Dan Doelling)

FPSE Neighborhood Business

Crime and Safety Report (Officer Walker)

- Catalytic Converters are still being stolen.
- Garage break ins
- House break-ins
- Kias/Hyundais are still getting stolen.
- 13xx Boyle there have been issues with neighbors.

Ward Updates (Tina (Sweet-T) Phil, Ward 17 Alderwoman)

- April 4th ballot - Proposition C
 - o If passed, it creates a commission to review and update the city's charter.
 - o The city's current charter was made in 1914, and no comprehensive updates have been made since then.
 - o Commission will consist of 9 nominees - 3 each from north, central and south St. Louis City.
 - o The Commission will also consist of 7 at large non-voting advisory experts.
 - o If passed, applications open for 50 days to become charter commission members.
 - Please see website stlpropc.com for more details
 - o Charter commission to be reviewed every 10 years.

Neighborhood Updates (Ron Coleman, Neighborhood Liaison)

- Forestry Department
 - o 100 trees to be planted in the ward, more than half in FPSE.
 - o If want a new tree in front of your home, contact Ron or Citizen Service Bureau
 - o Question: what are you doing to cut the dead trees down?
 - o Answer: Forestry is behind and working through a list of most dangerous trees in pedestrian areas. Most dead trees are on the list and waiting. Please contact Ron and provide an address if you have concerns about a specific tree.
 - o Dan: Is there a map online where street trees will be planted?
 - Ron sent a list to NA.
- Grove CID is working on cross walks on side streets.
- Parking Districts:



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- o The process is not currently working, and the plan is to have a process set up to review permits within a month.
- o Permits will be \$40 a car.
- o Tickets should be being issued - please contact Ron if you get a ticket to have the ticket voided.
- o Additional comments from Adam Layne (city treasurer):
- o About a month or less to get parking permits up and running.
- o Once the infrastructure is set up, parking permits should be issued within the same week of application submission.
- o Applications will be available for processing via the internet, but there will also be a call-in line.
- o Dan: Will there be a forgiveness period after enrollment starts?
- o Answer: yes, there will be about a month to work out the bugs in the system and no backtracking.
- Damaged dumpsters are currently being replaced.
- City/summer jobs available. Lifeguards, teachers, and bus drives available. See website: <https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/jobs/index.cfm>
- Aaron Bisch comment regarding previous issues with the small overflowing public trash cans: those trash cans have been well maintained since - thanks Ron!

Treasurer's Report (Cammie Lewis, FPSE NA Treasurer)

- Only recent activity: \$14.99 zoom fee
- Dues started in January - please pay what you can (cash app or cash/check).

Pam Ross (candidate speaker running for Community College Board of Trustees)

- 3 main reasons for running:
 - o Get students who dropped out because of the pandemic back in college.
 - o Provide resources and funds for student emergencies and general needs.
 - o Spend more time in public speaking about short time programs to get people back to work (such as truck driving Boeing programs).

Infrastructure Committee

- The [Missouri Department of Conservation \(MDC\)](https://moinvasives.org/2023/02/15/pear-buy-back-2023/) is offering a Bradley pear tree buy-back program which is an invasive tree that needs to be eradicated: <https://moinvasives.org/2023/02/15/pear-buy-back-2023/>
- Looking into dog park administration, insurance, non-profit status, pruning trees.
- Abdul of Park Central will attend the next infrastructure meeting.

Development Review Committee

- No new project updates.



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New businesses in the neighborhood:

- STL Makers (4304 Manchester Ave)
- Bootleggin' Tavern (4501 Chouteau Ave)

Community updates and news:

- There are three Stay-in-place programs in the neighborhood. Please contact Park Central (info@parkcentraldevelopment.org) to determine eligibility (requires covid impact statement).
- Neighborhood cleanups are back on: 4th Saturday of each month. Meet at Chouteau and Taylor

Guest speaker: Aaron Dohogne, Trash for Trees

- Trash for Trees = picking up trash and planting trees,
- The goal in FPSE is to pick up 12,000 pieces of trash.
- There will be local sponsors.
- See FPSE NA facebook page for details:
<https://www.facebook.com/forestparksoutheast/>
- Need people to accept trees (one tree per property, trees are native, planting will take place in October).
- Contact Aaron with questions (dohogne.aaron@gmail.com)
- Question: is there a prize for overall winner?
 - o No not yet but working on having a party at the end for everyone.

Guest speaker: Sophia Garcia, SLDC Neighborhood Manager

- Part of the new neighborhood transformation team (10 managers total).
- Job is to support businesses, residents and community partners.
- SLDC wants neighborhoods to have a plan.
- FPSE plan already in action
- Works closely with CDA to connect groups with funding.
- Dan: have you made any development contacts?
- Only point of contact at this point is with Park Central and FPSE NA
- Email: garcias@stlouis.gov

Future neighborhood meeting speakers:

- Andrew Wiel: Executive Director of Landmarks Association of St. Louis
- Michael Allen: St. Louis Preservation Board member, professor of history @ WashU

ADDITIONAL FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS:

Grove CID: 2nd Monday of every month @ 11:00AM via Zoom