# FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## **NOVEMBER 2023 MINUTES**

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

#### **MINUTES**

Introduction & Meeting Ground Rules (Dan Doelling)

#### FPSE Neighborhood Business

#### Crime and Safety Report (Officer Walker)

- Not much activity since October.
- Call directly if there is a car w/ flat tires, missing windows, etc.
- Call CSB if there is a car that has been sitting for some time.
- Contact Operation Brightside if calling about graffiti usually faster response than CSB.
- Direct patrol means officers are on the block investigating activity.
- Please call 911 or use non-emergency number if you see suspicious activity: 231-1212
  - o Email: NCWALKER@STLPD.ORG

#### Neighborhood Updates (Ron Coleman)

- Residential parking district.
  - o Facilitated by City's Treasurer's Office
  - o Go live with enforcing the permits, Jan 1st.
  - o There were (3) in-person events at Park Central over the past
  - o Residents will not receive anything in the mail cause digital
  - o Enforcement will be conducted by scanning of license plates.
  - o Special situations:
    - Residents with Medical conditions.
    - Parents/grandparents that are babysitting on a regular basis.
  - o Please send questions to FPSE NA to relay to Ron.
- Leaf pickup
  - o Come by on street cleaning day. Rake out leaves to curb (1-2 foot). They will sweep up leaves. Only happening in Nov & Dec.
  - o Yard waste suspended from Nov through Dec except for bulk week (once per month). Will resume in March.
- Hot chocolate Run Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>. 6am 10am
  - o May be blocked in. Check out route online.

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

- 15.99 zoom October expense.
- Pay dues: Cashapp or straight cash/check

#### Community Updates and News (Dan Doelling):

- Winter tree pruning Chouteau Park, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 10am
- MODOT meeting. How to redesign Mancheter and Chouteau to improve safety.
  - o 2900 Hickory st, Nov 29 5-7pm.
- Board of Alderman
  - o Feedback for settlement money from Rams leaving STL.
  - o Stlouis.citizenlab.co
  - o STL strategic land use plan
- Pie Guy has opened a bar adjacent to its pizza shop (formerly Gezelig space) on Manchester Ave.
- New business "Good Company" to move into former Layla space on Manchester Ave.
- 1200 Tower Grove Saturn Salon moving into the corner commercial unit.

#### City Resources (guest speaker)

- New state of the art 911 facility, all 3 components in one location.
- GBI basic guaranteed income, receive \$500/month.
- Building on MLK recently acquired by SLDC to be turned into a work hub.
- Property tax freeze bill for seniors recently passed, need to apply on a yearly basis.
- NGA (National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency) bringing in 2000 jobs.
- Homicide 20% down overall, recent uptick in theft crimes
- Youth crime is down by 37%
- LRA (Land Reutilization Authority) property:
  - o The city is improving stewardship of properties.
  - o Allocating 15 million for demolition, 5 million for rehabilitation and stabilization.
- Rams' settlement funds
  - o \$280 million to the City of St. Louis, including \$30 million to expand the Dome at America's Center.
  - o Rams' money in the bank account, earned 13-14 mil on interest.
- ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act)
  - o \$498 million
  - o Must be spent by November 2026.

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- o More difficult to spend because of restrictions set by the Federal Govt.
- Mayor signed <u>Board Bill Number 40</u> for City's Traffic Calming Policy.
- Recent ribbon cutting for <u>tiny home village on North Grand</u>, sponsored by Jason Kander.
  - o Not just shelters, but actually small houses.
  - o Temporary transitional housing.

#### 2024 Board Elections

- Must be dues-paying member to vote; dues are pay-what-you-can; Nominees
- Nominees:
  - Dan Doelling: President;
  - Mark Mangapora: Vice President;
  - Cammie Holiday-Lews: Secretary
  - Ev Veremakis: Treasurer
  - Sarah Kogan: Member-at-Large
- Election Results:
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#### ADDITIONAL FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS:

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