

## CHNA Meeting

6.28.18

Present: Kathy, Steve, Jan, Maggie, Mark, Greg, Ethel, Robin, Terry, Punky, Rose

### Assemblymember Kevin McCarty office

Robin gave announcements about budget that was just signed:

New courthouse – 18 stories high and 54 courthouses, California Indian heritage center – 43 acres on the riverfront – will replace Sutter’s Fort museum. Will be built with help from tribal representatives. Lower American River Parkway – add improvements and clean up, restore habitat and protect ecosystem, PowerHouse Science Center (STEM education), UC Davis Aggie Square satellite campus, described as a satellite campus because UC Davis has too many students (?) Refugee career pathways (#1 center for refugees), engineers, nurses, people with high degrees) funding going into refugee resettlement fees.

\$18M funding for homelessness. Emergency and long term shelters, allocation for Yolo County as well.

Levy improvements – largest flood zone in the nation. \$195M for flood control, Natomas, American River Commons, improvements along dam areas and riverbanks.

Cal Expo - \$15M to make improvements to Fairgrounds

### National Night Out

Kathy & Steve gave an update on the National Night Out planning. Event will be August 7<sup>th</sup> at Colonial Park. Setup at 5:30 with a 6PM start time.

Everything is starting to come together. Park is reserved. Bounce house confirmed by city. Pool reserved as well! One Target on Riverside confirmed. Rock wall confirmed. Invited Navy, Army and Air Force. Anya is working on getting donations. Have \$200 from last year. Volunteer group will come out and do child ID table.

Need flyers and posters to send around neighborhood. 11x17 (post in businesses) – **Greg will create**

Will invite IMBA, Church, Mosque, elected officials, friends of the library.

Have two banners that will be displayed in the neighborhood.

Will be honoring Shirley Johnson and thanking Councilmember Schenirer’s office for help with improving the park and completing the park improvement projects. Honor Colonial Arts and Recreation Effort, CARE.

“This structure is dedicated to the Colonial Park Arts and Recreation Effort and to its tireless leader, Shirley Johnson.”

Greg will continue to coordinate dedication.

### Garden tour update

Reviewed budget and received feedback from group regarding how to cut costs and improve for next year. One idea is to contact Farmer Fred and get nursery to sponsor cost of the programs.

### Guidelines update

Background: Short of forming formal board of directors, committee put together extensive document that put together how organization is running, what responsibilities are, etc. Discussed at least four times at meetings (three very detailed

discussions). Had final changes in April, announced process on social channels. Last meeting held a vote. Unanimous approval of the guidelines. Designated as interim guidelines.

Question: What do we do now?

There is some interest in forming a more formal organization. How much interest is there in forming a more formal structure? Some neighbors talk about forming a non-profit. Guidelines can serve as base to organization.

If we get too structured we may run into more problems.

Understand what the purpose would be of building a bigger structure. What purpose would that serve? Is there anything to solve?

Guidelines have improved on communication channels. Document has defined who can be leaders.

Outline pros/cons of board structure

Table committee until more interest. May be good to review yearly, in January meeting to prepare for upcoming year.

### **Three most important goals for the neighborhood update**

*Safety* – Table traffic and safety and continued discussion of top three priorities for next meeting. Work on formalizing action plan for next steps

*Park* – Bathroom doors, remodel, restroom remodel and system for opening restrooms. May be time to try opening the restrooms up again. 4 pin code lockbox. Rent a key from the city.

*Lighting* – Steve and Rose walked down one side of SF Blvd. Continue communicating with neighbors about what they would like to see. Where do the signatures happen? Steve and Rose will continue communicating with neighbors.

### **Announcements**

Upcoming movie nights

Attended meeting about garbage pickup day about posting signs on street sacrecycle.org can tell you what is recyclable.

Oak Park UMC held last worship last Sunday after 120 years. A new group will be worshiping in the church.

Question about if there are any events scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Neighbor shared memory of parade that went around the park on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and an old fire truck. Also used to have fireworks in the park. Not aware of any events for this year.