

Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting
January 24, 2019
Wesley Social Hall – 5010 15th Avenue

Introductions:

Prompt: Share a New Year's resolution you made for somebody else, or for yourself.

Attendees: Greg, John, Rick, Nicole, Kathy, Steve, Anya, Emily, Maggie, Terry, Jan, Rose, Amber, Mark, Jay Schenirer, Cam, Dana, Danielle, Barbara, Emily, Adrian

Updates:

Kickball league – Cam has confirmed kickball at Colonial Park from May 4 through August 18 on Thursdays 6PM-8PM – Thanks Cam!

- Jay's office is happy to have opening day kickoff for kickball – community event with firefighters and BBQ

February 2nd Lunar Fest happening on former Jon's furniture site on Stockton Blvd.

Councilmember Jay Schenirer update:

- Homeless situation – point in time count happening on January 30th and 31st – go here to volunteer:
 - The count takes place throughout the county. Given flashlight and go out and count homeless with a team.
- The Mayor has asked each councilmember to find 100 additional beds in their district, total 800 beds. Councilmember Schenirer is looking at RT site on Florin closer to 29th and Indian Lane where the light rail station is. The space is currently used for parking lots looking at affordable housing and transit oriented development. Northeast parking for parking. Northwest lot for shelter. Sprung tent structure, looking to sign two-year lease to cover two winters.
- Where are all of the other districts in the process of finding spaces?
 - Sacramento Bee article explaining shelter locations - 1/23/2019 – [Theresa Clift article](#)
 - Harris – two potential sites – current railroad site and Econolodge that is up for sale
 - Guerra looking at one site
 - Ashby looking at homes for family and children
 - Site in Meadowview next to the Pannell Center
- Since the shelter on Railroad Blvd. has been up and running have had 600 people through. Permanently housed 170 people. Still a long way to go. Not a walk in shelter, only for referrals. First line of defense through Whole Person Grant, six teams out in neighborhoods trying to connect with homeless to get them to enroll in shelter program. Have 700 people enrolled. Goal is street to shelter to placement in affordable home.
- San Juan Property – still have camping ordinance. There was a court case that said people cannot be evicted from public land unless it is being used for something. Attention that there will be a fence put up so people may move out into the neighborhood. Sac Bee article from [January 29](#) about homeless being moved from property.

- Moving forward on Measure U advisory committee – 15 member advisory committee to review how to spend Measure U dollars. Had 200 people apply, there were 27 from District 6 that applied.
- February 5 and 12 looking at budget – have between \$35-50M one-time funds to spend. A good chunk of it will go to homeless shelters. A good chunk to city services, 311 operators, pet control, etc.
 - Measure U reserve (from previous measure)
 - Mid-year funds (after reviewing yearly budget to see where the city currently is)
 - First quarter of new Measure U funds (April, May, June of this year)
- District 5 Leaders Meeting for February 22nd – asked leaders to envision a vision for our neighborhood. Will have some capacity building exercises.
- Seeing development going up on Stockton Blvd again. Ross will be going in next to Smart & Final. There are five different initiatives on Stockton Blvd right now. Working with Eric Guerra, complete streets, Aggie Square, transportation and other groups. Looking at overall Stockton Blvd plan that integrates all of these pieces.
 - Vision zero
- Neighborhood priorities
 - Tetherballs at the park – Thanks Jay’s office
- Quote from Jay at the end of his update: “I like coming to these meetings, you all care a lot.”

Volunteers and Leadership Recruitment:

- Would like to get more leaders

Neighborhood Priorities:

1. Safety and security/traffic
 - Traffic concerns regarding cars along 21st Avenue and Stockton Blvd
 - Suggestion to attend Stockton Blvd Partnership meetings at noon on first Thursday of month.
 - Would anyone like to join committee?
 - 15th Avenue – cars using it to cut through off of Stockton Blvd driving at unsafe speeds
2. Lighting (along San Francisco Blvd):
 - Is it still a priority?
 - The street is still dark and people are almost hit when crossing
 - Can there be a special meeting for people on San Francisco Blvd to discuss?
 - We all drive along San Francisco Blvd, why should the people along there have to pay?
 - Committee needs to put together a summary report and present to a future CHNA meeting.
 - Currently paying an assessment from 15 years ago regarding lighting
 - Steve and Rose will get their report done prior to the February CHNA meeting
3. Park Priorities:
 - Came up with a list in 2018 and presented to Councilmember Schenirer office
 - Reviewed list
 - Tetherballs

- Flag pole
- Four square court
- Restrooms
- Check in with Mark if you are interested in helping improve the park
- Goal: Increase the people who we would like to see at the park

Other priorities: None

Events:

Councilmember Shenirer office will no longer be coordinating movie night; however, they have offered to help with another event if there is something we would like to do.

Q: Is Cam having a fourth of July party?

A: Yes, will block off the street.

Think of additional events we would like the city to help coordinate.

Update on Aggie Square:

Rose attended Aggie Square update meeting at the Oak Park Neighborhood Association along with several other neighbors. The group divided into four focus tables: housing, transportation, jobs, and innovation. Each group highlighted two main questions or asks from Aggie Square. Representatives from Aggie Square answered questions and promised to follow up at a future Aggie Square meeting with those questions they could not answer. There are several more Aggie Square meetings coming up.

Role and Responsibilities:

- District 5 neighborhood leaders meeting coming up in February. Greg passed around questions the city is asking leaders to reflect on before coming to meeting.
- List of roles and responsibilities. Greg passed out sheet with roles and responsibilities listed, pulled from the [CHNA guidelines](#). The guidelines were adopted in May of 2018. It is important to get new volunteers to help with roles to help create new leaders, get new input, and help with succession planning.
- Would be helpful to know much of week or day it takes to do these tasks?

Roles:

Monthly meeting facilitator

- Would like to look a month ahead and nominate someone to lead upcoming meeting
- Anya volunteered to help with meeting preparation including organizing agenda, previous meeting minutes, sign in sheet

Monthly meeting minutes recorder

- Attend CHNA meeting, take notes and give to web person to post on website
- Anya volunteered to help take meeting notes

Leadership Committee Meeting Organizer

- What is the difference between the leader meeting organizer and monthly meeting organizer?
 - Leader meetings happen less frequently between everyone who has chosen to take on a leadership role. The last leaders meeting took place the hour before the holiday party in December.

External Communications representative

Social Media communications representative

- Dana volunteered to help with social media posting
- Rose will meet with Dana to coordinate plan

Web design/Maintenance representative

- Adrian volunteered to help with website updates
- Rose will meet with Adrian to discuss website specifics

Community Liaison committee

- Barbara volunteered to attend the Safety on Stockton meetings and board meetings
- Danielle volunteered to be part of the community liaison committee
- Dana volunteered to be part of the community liaison committee
- Nicole volunteered to be part of the community liaison committee
- Rose will work with the committee to share list of meetings and events and coordinate volunteers to attend meetings

Treasurer

- Is there a need for a treasurer?
- The group discussed how events are paid. Event coordinators create spreadsheets that show costs/profits and share it at CHNA meetings. There is no central bank account to hold funds.
- Comment: If you want to grow as neighborhood need account to do fundraising
- Comment: If our goal is to grow, we need to organize.
- Question: What is our goal for the neighborhood?
- Kathy volunteered to be treasurer

Other items:

Question: How do we get the city to stop watering the park so much? There have been broken sprinklers for a year, even during the drought. Especially with kickball coming up, we do not want the park to be muddy.