

Northeast Neighbors (NeN) Board Meeting Minutes for May 1st, 2023

Call to Order: 6:32 p.m.

Board: Kevin, Anne, Rick, John, Neal, Charlotte, Brian, Kirstin

Neighbors: David Bredbenner, Bob Siegmund

Minutes: 4/3/23 Board meeting minutes approved. Anne moved; Neal seconded. Unanimous approval.

Holly Avenue traffic issues: David Bredbenner spoke on behalf of Holly Avenue neighbors who have organized to seek remedy for speeding/dangerous driving along that route. Board voted unanimously to support their efforts, including speaking to public officials and signing onto a letter that David will prepare.

Planning for May 30th general meeting

- Rough agenda:
 - 7:00 Set-up, approval of minutes.
 - Two minutes each for elected officials (Manning, Yeh, Brown).
 - 7:15 Mayor Vinis. Kevin will introduce. Mayor's prepared remarks followed by Q&A.
 - 7:55 Fabio Andrade re City outreach
 - 8:15 Jason Davis re navigation center, behavioral health facility
 - 8:40 Neighbor comments
 - 8:45 Adjourn
- Topics to suggest for Mayor Vinis: Arterial bridge, property crime in our area, affordable housing.
 - May 18th meeting with Mayor to discuss topics (Kevin, John).
 - We will also prepare questions for possible inclusion in the Q&A.

Managing the meeting

- Board presence: Kevin, Anne, Brian, Rick, Neal, Charlotte, John. Jesse can be there. Kirstin at home.
- Jesse is willing to train backups for AV. Kevin and Neal volunteered.

Outreach

- Postcard needs to go to the printer: May 2nd (aka tomorrow)
- Reusable outreach materials. Will have at least \$500 for them. Need to get approval first. Invoice needed by **June 1st**. Kirstin will design banner. Anne will handle production.
- Preliminary budget for FY 24/FY 25 shows a 23% reduction in funds for neighborhood association outreach efforts (printing, mailing, materials, etc.) Not final budget.

Arterial Bridge: Vidal Francis looks to City/County to lead the effort.

- We will advocate with Mayor Vinis, county commissioners, and the city council.
- RRCO and SCCO NHAs have reaffirmed their prior commitment of support. Cal Young is pending.

OECE/NLC

- Cindy Koehler is new Neighborhood Liaison. Her current position will be filled.
- Neighborhoods 101 and workshops were poorly attended and disappointing.
- Disruptive elections in other NHAs (JWN, RRCO) were discussed.

Other comments: Charlotte attended preparedness meeting and was impressed by RRCO's work.

Striker planning: Concern was raised that finishing Striker work might be contingent on next Parks bond.

Adjourned: 7:28 p.m.