

Winston Downs Community Association
Board Meeting
July 28, 2020 – Via Zoom

Present:

Board: Tim Rooney, Terry Telfer, Joanna Milewski, Wendy Glazer, Marsha Badanes, Harvey Cohen (Quorum)

Guests: Councilwoman Amanda Sawyer,

Residents: Laurie Brock, Gary Tessler, Patti Jo Streltzer, Anne Callison, Rochelle (?), Jan ?, Derek Cocovinis – joined at 7:30pm.

Watson's Property

A neighbor is concerned that more vehicles are being stored there. Tim said he has not received any update from the brothers and advised calling 311 with property concerns. Anne interjected that 3 people (including herself) pushed to get the cabaret license canceled and believe that the brothers were in cahoots with Fairmount to change the zoning.

Minutes

June minutes deferred to August meeting

Treasurer- Joanna

Checking \$2768.26, Savings \$7008.12 (as of 6/30/20)

There are 105 members for \$1575 in dues, \$968 additional gifted by 60 households

Annual Meeting

- Annual meeting will be held via Zoom on September 15.
- WDCA is currently accepting nominations for board members via WDCA email. Need all nominations by August 15th. Then, will check with Joanna to confirm that nomination is in "good standing" meaning their dues have been paid and are current. Will have 3rd party to tabulate using Survey Monkey.
- Anne shared that the meeting should only be done in person at BMH center. Tim countered saying that due to covid regulations and building inaccessibility – meeting will only be held via Zoom.

Zoning-

Request for comments related to proposed Group Living Amendment Changes/GLAC be accumulated by Jackie Robb, Zoning Chair. Present to next Board meeting. WDCA board voted via email (6 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain) to approve support of INC's resolution asking to de-bundle elements of GLAC and to give Council members longer time to educate and inform about these changes within their respective neighborhoods. Letter of support was sent to City leaders.

Group Living: Amanda also asked for RNO's to send letter to CPD (Andrew Webb) about group living. She said the proposal needs to be separated and not bundled as an omnibus change.

Bike Lane

WDCA was not happy with notice or format of last meeting. It was NOT ok to be muted, not see full list of participants and not to have chat working. The paving schedule is from Kearney to Niagara (edge of DGS) and then north to Alameda as first phase. This to be completed by mid August. DOTI said they will do more research for Phase 2 to take east to Quebec at a later time.

According to an email from Amanda, DGS is in favor of this compromise. Anne said she has had signs made to put out along Virginia. These are independent of WDCA scope. Tim talked to an attorney and

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was advised that DOTI has lots of authority. It would be tough to get in front of judge and would cost a \$25,000 retainer. Gary said that they are in violation of CORA. He votes that we file a motion “with an intent to sue” against DOTI. He said we don’t live in a dictatorship but of democracy. He also said he has had several meetings with the Mayor. Tim & Gary to have an online meeting, at another time, to discuss who has been met with, and violations etc. Harvey said he has put together a review of all that has happened and sent it to Amanda and Christian. Amanda was asked her opinion....she said there are lots of concerns with DOTI and there is no accountability to neighborhoods. She said we have obviously forced them to reconsider the original plan and we should consider this a partial win. They are going to pave regardless and Mayor wants his bike lanes. We live in a strong Mayor system and we need to accept this. Both DGS/GW have accepted and we need to do the same. We need to be realistic. We need to figure out when to push and when to compromise.

Park Survey –

Paper surveys were delivered with July newsletter and tabulated on Survey Monkey. Currently there are 75 total responses, a 14% response rate at an 11%+/- margin of error. Surveys due July 27; any received after this time will be included.

60% very interested
19 somewhat interested
8% not interested
12% not sure

- Survey results will be formalized and formatted for presentation.
- Outreach needs to be completed about concerns of neighbors. These steps all need to be done before talking to Parks & Rec.
- Amanda said right now Denver is \$242 million in budget hole and counting. So, neighborhood parks are not a top priority

Adjourn at 8:12pm

Notes submitted by Joanna Milewski