



Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes

- Council Member Attendees: Kathleen O'Reilly, Greg Quintero, Cynthia Tang (MPBA), Kim Mickelson, Paul Wilson, Susan Young, Julie Farr, Jose Ferrero,
- Other Attendees: Barbara McGuffey, Cindy Woods, Sol Melnik, Tim Newton, Raynese Edwards, Sarah Holt, Truong Lam, Chelbi Mims, Justin McCullough, PJ Jamea

Date: September 14, 2016

Location: Farish Media Center, Museum Of Fine Arts, Houston

Time: 5:30

SH-288 Expansion: Raynese Edwards, Blueridge Transportation Group, and Tim Newton, Stantec (engineer) were present to report on the State Highway 288 expansion. The project includes a 10.3-mile stretch from US-59 to the Harris County line at Clear Creek with the addition of toll lanes and interchanges. The MPNA and MPSN had concerns over the removal of trees in the median, increased noise, pollution, and traffic. Interested in any potential for applying the guidelines of the Livable Centers Study.

- This is a TXDoT owned project. BTG is the developer and Alameda-Genoa Constructors heads up the joint venture constructors.
- 610 and Beltway 8 is the start point in October 2016. Mid 2019 is scheduled for completion.
- Segment 6 of the project is close to Museum Park.
- Road expansion will be contained within the current median. Two lanes each direction.
- An open house is scheduled at the Hermann Park Golf Club on September 29, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Limited reforestation planned. Most changes will be in the middle and not on the embankments.
- Southmore bridge will be redone and slightly raised.
- No traffic will be changed at side roads.
- For more information on the project, project updates, etc., visit <http://www.drive288.com>
- MPSN requested that the overpasses/bridges be modeled after the LCS bridge recommendations. LCS shared with Stantec for consideration.

Homeless encampment under US 59

- Correction to previous minutes: It was Jose Ferrero who agreed to assist and not Barbara McGuffey.
- Per Julie Farr, temporary lighting installations money is potentially available per TXDoT, but funds would still be needed to operate, maintain, and manage. Midtown Management District would possibly fund the latter. Jose is putting together a preliminary plan. CM Boykins' District might be a source of funding.
- Susan Young will forward contact information for Quincy Adams, and Dana -----, to Kathleen.
- Fence art is another potential idea.
- Offline committee to review other ideas.

Livable Center Study Update

- Hope to finalize this week.
- Alameda not to be proposed for widening. Recommend that a traffic impact analysis will be needed to trigger changes.
- Language added to parking that clarifies that parking will not ward off economically challenged individuals.

- Parking illustration will show existing parking and not proposed at this point.

Traffic Impact Analysis

- Southmore is **not** slated to be widened despite previous understandings that it was.

Committee Reports

Safety & Security

- None

Business

- Pending fence around Wendy's. Water has been turned off
- 501c3 application - consider dba name as Museum Park, Inc. Still registered as Museum Park Super Neighborhood.

Super Bowl Opportunities

- No real funds available, but "Rails to Restaurants" is a project underway that highlights restaurants on different days during the event. A few others being considered: "Houston Hub Crawl" through Midtown, Museum District, EADO, etc. Susan Young to follow up with more info.

Developer of The Mondrian - PJ Jamea

- Permit anticipated in about a week with start of construction anticipated in January.
- Concerns over construction voiced by participants.
- MPSN suggested that plans be put in place to protect the esplanades and neighboring properties.
- Sharing of phone numbers is recommended between constructors and neighbors.
- Invite GC to meet with MPSN to discuss parking, safety, communication.

Adjourn

7:00 pm

Submitted by:

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