

## **Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes**

- Council Member Attendees: Gail Chevalier, Kathleen O'Reilly, Paul Wilson, Julie Farr, Sandra Stevens, Greg Quintero, Ruth Ann Skaff, Michael Gillespie.
- Other Attendees: Andre Wagner, CM Boykin's office; Barbara McGuffey, MPNA; Carl Davis, MCAO; Shavonda Johnson, CM Boykins' office; Ashley Croft, Holocaust Museum

Date: February 15, 2017

Location: Farish Media Center, MFAH

Time: 5:35 p.m.

Kathleen O'Reilly opened the meeting.

- Su Nguyen is building a coffee shop, Lava Java, at Southmore and San Jacinto with completion slated for June. Includes both indoor and outdoor seating. Clientele will be those living within 2-3 blocks. Coffee will be supplied by his coffee farm in Hawaii, KarmaSu Coffee.
- Paul Wilson presented an overview of the Covenant Church expansion. The expansion will include a three-story building—offices, fellowship area, and one level to be finished out at a later time. Construction begins mid/late summer. Phase I scheduled to be completed in 1-1.5 years. Also included is the expansion of the sanctuary. Labyrinth will be redesigned from 11 steps to 7. The design will keep the green lawn open.

**Secretary's Report:** January minutes were circulated for approval. **President's Report:** 

- Met with CM David Robinson today and discussed US59 project which includes suppression of 59 along the
  north end of Museum Park, scheduled for completion in 2020. TXDoT will build a cap over 59 at Caroline to
  keep neighborhood connected. SWA, lead on Museum Park Livable Center Study, is working to move
  development of the cap forward. MPSN has arranged a meeting with TXDoT to explore development of the cap.
- No updates at this time regarding transient Issues. We're awaiting the mayor's plan. Sandy and Kathleen are
  meeting with CM's-at large and they are very supportive and as concerned about this issue as we are. In the
  short term the city is providing Increased HPD patrols and regular solid waste pick up at the 59 encampment.
- Kathleen welcomed Gail Chevalier, Park Plaza Hospital, and Louis Selig, attorney officed in Museum Park, and invited them to spearhead Museum Park Super Neighborhood's Business Alliance.
- Houston Southeast has increased Constable patrols along Almeda where there has been an increase in auto break-ins.
- Kathleen will be reactivating the Museum Park Security Alliance.

## **Announcements:**

- Julie Farr reported that Game City Showcase focused on the Museum District on Thursday prior to Super Bowl.
   Museum District Association continues to sponsor Museum Days.
- Kathleen announced that District D will host a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) meeting on March 6, 6:00 p.m., Emancipation Park.
- Monica Rhodes, South Main Alliance, announced that the Texas Association of Museums will be coming to Houston for their annual conference in April, 2018.

- Tiger Ball will be held March 3 at Asia Society. Southmore will be closed Wednesday-Saturday, March 1-3 for the Ball.
- Sandy reported that Harris County is considering a remodel of the Astrodome funded. However, Texas Legislature is considering a bill requiring voter approval of any Harris County plan.
- City of Houston Planning Commission has set up two committees to study Walkable Centers and Platting. These are public meetings for anyone to attend.

Meeting adjourned: 7:05 p.m.