

Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes

- Council Member Attendees: Kathleen O'Reilly, Sandy Stevens, Greg Quintero, Ruth Ann Skaff, Michael Gillespie, Julie Farr, Gabriel Durham, Doreen Stoller, Ethan Beesen
- Other Attendees: Ed Ryland, ARVO Realty Advisors

Date: June 14, 2017 Location: Farish Media Center Time: 5:43 p.m.

Guest: Ed Ryland, ARVO Realty Advisors, discussed working with Houston Southeast Management District to develop interest among those who live and work in the district to invest in commercial real estate:

- Aspiring Program is designed for those who have little or no experience in commercial real estate, a program that is creating a lot of interest from the community.
- Master's Program is for those with experience and resources, but little time. Focused on 10-15 people.
- Plan to conduct one-on-one consulting.
- Will be creating a program for those who have completed the Aspiring Program, but would like more help.

Additionally ARVO is bringing retailers to the district for tours of locations of potential retail projects. ARVO was asked about the metrics for project success, how much investment have they influenced or managed. Reportedly, a couple of fast food chain locations have resulted at this point.

ARVO will be acquiring property for HouSE, enabling the district to spur as well as control types of development.

TXDoT 3-D Visualization

Current design includes gap in cap between Fannin/San Jacinto because extending the cap would require a tunnel, a much more expensive design. Streets crossing caps result in mini-parks, not one big park. Ongoing conversation with TXDoT regarding one continuous cap, at least from west side of Main to east side of Caroline, leaving Austin, LaBranch, Almeda as enhanced bridge. All structures should be designed to accommodate the weight load of improvements.

Discussion followed regarding how to move forward. Consensus is to develop a conceptual design for the caps as a first step in acquiring funding. Bring stakeholders to the table including Rice, METRO as major property owners in the area.

Other US 59 suppression topics: Requested landscaping along the walls congruous with existing wall cover. Sound studies are currently being conducted to determine if sound barriers are needed.

President's Report:

BCyle Station will be in installed at Lava Java, Southmore/San Jacinto. Thanks to Julie for suggesting that location.

Parking Management suspended draft of the Residential Parking Permit program, instead developing Community Parking (CP), that will consider overall needs rather than residential vs commercial, etc. KOR recently met with Parking Management for other reasons. Parking Management raised the CP approach at that meeting; Museum Park requested consideration as a pilot for the Community Parking approach. Parking Management will present the CP framework at the August MPSN meeting for consideration by the Council. MPSN will circulate a Parking Management CP briefing to stakeholders to provide more information on this parking approach prior to August presentation.

One potential tool is to coordinate parking of available spaces, public and private, with a parking app and leveling pricing throughout the area to minimize circulating to look for cheapest, closest parking space. KOR reported that Parking Management is developing a parking app for downtown. Once completed, they will move to different areas.

Safety and Security Meeting, May 16

HPD presence is increased. How can MPSN help with enforcement of ordinances? One suggestion is to develop a task force to assist in enforcement of ordinances, a move that will give relief to the residents/businesses near US 59 encampment.

Greg moved to adjourn. 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Sandy Stevens, Secretary