

# October 9, 2019 Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Minutes.

**Council Member Attendees:** Kathleen O'Reilly, Paul Wilson, Ruth Ann Skaff, Sandy Stevens, Barbara McGuffey, Jose Ferrero, Kyle Wolfe, Julie Farr, Oleg Jolic

Other Attendees: Irene Nunez, Harris County Clerk's Office; Ramino Ojeda, Harris County Clerk Office; Marlon Stevens; HPD; Carl Davis, MCAO; Kenneth Olive, Commissioner Rodney Ellis' office; Cindy Woods, MPNA; Richard Buday, MPNA; Sallie Alcorn, Candidate for City Council; Nick Hellyar, Candidate for City Council; Matt Barnes, HISD board candidate; Reagan Flowers, HISD board candidate

**Location:** Farish Media Center, Museum of Fine Arts Houston **Time:** 5:30PM

### Guest: Irene Nuñez, Office of Harris County Clerk, Diane Trautman

Distributed literature announcing early voting dates and sites. Eligible voters may vote at any of the 700+ voting places

## **HPD Report by Officer Marlon Stevens:**

- Movement of vagrants from Pierce elevated, Wheeler/59, Main, Blodgett
- Clean-up for Calumet and Almeda HouSE safety and security committee
- We requested update re: August 18 shooting at Southmore. Homicide or Assaults
- Oct 13 Festival at Turkey Leg Hut 20 officers, plus LT and 2 Sergeants. HPD will have 7 officers in patrol cars on perimeter, noon to 7PM

### **President's Report:**

Caroline Promenade – updates

- Beneficial landscapes on esplanades- so that they are teaching tools, have lower maintenance and thus higher functioning
- Working with Texas Parks and Wildlife, urban biologist; urban forestry on plant palettes—preference for native rather than adaptive
- Three concepts for the zones curvaceous, not square, swaths, which will fit into the 3-4 zones of the neighborhood character and lead people down the street
- Wayfinding is important
- Issue of irrigation- possible truck watering
- Detailed tree survey underway by Barlett
- Spine will eventually connect with projected Cultural Trail
- Walkable Places and Transit Corridor Ordinance which has sidewalk replacement

Bike Lanes – Crawford/Hermann Dr. 4-way stop

District D Candidate Forum -

https://www.facebook.com/caittheskate/videos/10103566482187925/UzpfSTI0MTA5NDk6OTM10DcyMTgwMTI2NTI4/

Rice Vote Coalition Sept. 30 - Rep. Sarah Davis - Constitutional Amendments:

https://tlc.texas.gov/docs/amendments/analyses19\_condensed.pdf.

**VP Report:** 

Secretary's Report: September minutes forthcoming.

**Committee Reports:** 

Infrastructure/Quality of Life:

MP Business Alliance:

Safety & Security: HPD, Southmore incident

**Ongoing Business:** 

Community Parking Plan Draft Ordinance –Letter of Support; Comments; See below

Walkable Places/Transit Corridor Comments - Oct./Nov. Public Meeting

https://www.houstontx.gov/planning/Commissions/docs pdfs/Walkable Places Summary Report.pdf https://www.houstontx.gov/planning/Commissions/docs pdfs/TOD Ordinance Summary Report.pdf

#### Transit Corridor Development

Discussion of Primary corridors, secondary corridors, comparison with Walkable Places corridors

Definition of set backs

Width of sidewalks, taking account of many trees Site design standards discussed, location of driveways

Off-street parking issues. Market-based parking not deemed appropriate for Museum Park

Questions about requirement re: placement of front door on Transit Corridor

ION Garage, proposed, and request for variance

How do all the different ordinances link up and work together Given the drive for density, do we have the proper infrastructure

Meeting tomorrow afternoon with Planning Commission

**New Business:** 

**Stakeholder Updates:** 

**Public Comments:** 

#### **Announcements:**

- Caroline Promenade Public Meeting No. 1 October 10, 5:30 7, Covenant Church
- Walkable Places/TOD Planning Dept. Public Meeting November 6, Covenant Church
- Caroline Promenade Public Meeting No. 2 November 7, 5:30 7, Clayton Library (rescheduled to November 14, Covenant Church

# Museum Park Community Parking Plan (CPP) - Response from Parking Management to MP Final Comments

- 1. Leasable spaces not considered for permits. It's based on the address of the dwelling unit. So while one unit may have two leases, we will only issue one permit to the unit.
- 2. Because we have capped the number of units at 125 with a .5 ratio (which results in about the same number we all previously agreed on prior to the multi-family disruption), I left bike parking out. The reduction in parking spaces is maxes out at 10% of the total required and adds another layer of unnecessary complexity to the ordinance. TOD, on the other hand, allows up to 20 percent reduction, which is significant and why we included it. So if a multi-family is built and it's 125 units or less, only 50% will be eligible for one permit. If it's more than 125 units not eligible. If it's TOD, not eligible. If it received a parking variance from the Planning Commission not eligible.

President O'Reilly asked council members if the proposed parking formula (above) is satisfactory so we can respond to Maria so it can go forward to City Council for vote. Majority indicated it is satisfactory.

Meeting adjourned 7:20PM