



Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes

- Council Member Attendees: Kamina Jamison, Cynthia Tang, Julie Farr, Paul Wilson, Kathleen O'Reilly, Ernesto Maldonado, Sandra Stevens.
- Other Attendees: Sean Quitzau, Mayor's Office on Homeless; Barbara McGuffey, MPNA; Michael Gillespie, Asia Society; Ruth Ann Skaff, MPNA; Ethan Beeson, Hermann Park Conservancy; Shavonda Johnson, CM Boykins' office; Carl Davis, COH.

Date: Wednesday, November 9

Location: Farish Media Center, MFAH

Time: 5:29 p.m.

Kathleen reported that in a conversation with Danny Perez of TXDoT, he indicated TXDoT is installing fencing under US 59 from Main Street to Fannin or possibly San Jacinto. Following several incidents where individuals have walked into oncoming traffic, TXDoT is installing fencing to maintain safety. TXDoT will collaborate with CoH works to find appropriate housing for the homeless who have been staying there.

Sean Quitzau, Mayor's Office on Homelessness:

- Sean reported that the CoH Homeless Outreach Team, Star of Hope Homeless Outreach, and other outreach services are actively engaged with individuals under US 59. He stressed that outreach takes time, often because of mental illness or substance abuse issues. He indicated that fencing makes outreach more difficult as the population scatters. Complex problem that includes such issues as poverty, mental illness, and substance abuse.
- Sean stressed the need to call HPD or Metro non-emergency numbers, either of which can contact HPD's Sobering Center Team. He also indicated that Midtown Constables coordinate with Sobering Center Team. Kathleen will follow-up with Houston Southeast to engage their constables.
- Shavonda indicated that next week the Mayor and Council Members including CM Boykins will tour *Haven for Hope* in San Antonio, a multi-service shelter for homeless, which includes clinics, dentists, etc. Discussion: Star of Hope is building a facility for women and children off Reed Road. New Hope housing has 1000 single room occupancy units in the city.

Museo Plaza:

- Brandon Houston of Trammell Crow had to cancel today because of a conflict.
- Currently Trammell Crow's traffic study indicates Ingress/egress and service entry on Southmore, no driveways on Palm Street. Concern expressed regarding additional stress on Southmore, already impacted by light rail crossings. TC has resubmitted their traffic study per CoH request. Museo Plaza will add 500 units total. Hines project, The Southmore, will add 300. Kathleen asked Shavonda to request CM Boykins invite Trammell Crow to MPSN December meeting.

Hines project, The Southmore: Working with CoH to ensure repair of Caroline Street and esplanade damage including loss of palm tree.

Secretary's Report: Cynthia moved that the minutes be approved. Ernesto seconded. Approved as circulated.

President's Report: Kathleen attended CoH Parking Management team meeting this week. The team is looking at updating parking in MP including several possibilities for revisions to the parking ordinance: three to four hour free parking, metered parking, and permits for on-street parking for residents. Museum Park needs to develop a policy for parking, perhaps consulting with transportation firm, Nelson/Nygard, who is currently working on the team developing Hermann Park Conservancy's Master Plan Update. Ethan Beeson indicated that parking decisions for Hermann Park are not imminent. Julie Farr indicated parking decisions should keep Museum District institutions accessible to everyone; families sometimes park 6-12 blocks from the institutions to get free parking. Kathleen suggested a parking zone that would include Blodgett to Hermann Park and 288 to Main Street. Parking Management is drafting language for an ordinance, which they will send to MPSN. Discussion followed regarding how to address bus parking.

Kathleen presented 2017 Slate of Officers: President, Kathleen O'Reilly; Vice President, Paul Wilson; Secretary, Sandy Stevens, Secretary; Cynthia Tang, Treasurer. Cynthia moved to accept the slate of officers. Kamina seconded. Unanimously approved.

Kamina indicated that Hermann Park Conservancy would like to gather input from Museum Park residents regarding the HPC Master Plan. The January 4 meeting of MPNA was suggested as a possible date.

Julie reported that Super Bowl plans include 5 nights of neighborhood crawls in and around metro lines, designed to highlight Houston's restaurants and venues. Museum Park/Museum District's is scheduled for Thursday, February 2, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Many Museum District institutions will be offering free admission and special events that evening.

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 p.m.

Sandy Stevens, Secretary