Congress Park Neighbors

Minutes, March 21st, 2007

Board Attendees: Brent Hladky, Tom Conis, Maggie Price, Wendy Moraskie, Joe Ely

Board Absences: Dan Keller, Jonah Bradley, Sue Carrizales

Guest: Jacqueline Kimble

Minutes: Approved unanimously on a motion by Joe Ely, seconded by Maggie Price, February Regular Board Meeting and January Special Board Meeting.

Crime/INC Report, by Joe Ely: A) New monthly crime report format. This will not replace the quarterly report that we regularly publish in our newsletter. It was suggested that this be sent in a monthly crime email blast. B) Motion by Wendy, second by Maggie, unanimously approved, for Joe and Brent to sign a letter to Jeanne Robb requesting assistance with a “troubled” property (1275 Colorado Blvd) where an alarmingly high number of arrests have been made in the past 15 months. Letter designed to help Jeanne and the police pressure the City Attorney to take whatever corrective action necessary to control the situation. C) New police web blog for residents to use.

Newsletter Report by Wendy Moraskie: Wendy distributed a handful of the most recent newsletters. Next deadline is April 15th, suggestions for which included Ice Cream Social notice, R3 -> R2 rezoning report, and 12th Avenue business promotion initiative.

Board Conflict of Interest: Brent to draft bylaw amendment

Alley Clean Up: Guest Jacqueline Kimble, recent arrival to Congress Park, outlined her plan for an alley clean up (now established as Saturday, May 12th). Strong support from all present. Considerable discussion followed including suggestion for weekend rather than weekday event, and how City, through Jeanne’s office, can provide assistance. The thought is that the Board should be promoting a neighborhood wide such initiative regularly. Brent to contact Jonah Bradley about approaching Ace for assistance (e.g. new garbage cans, motion sensors, etc.) to those participating. Jonah to also approach Ace for participation on a broader basis if project can become a neighborhood wide one, something like “Keeping Congress Park Clean.” CPN can offer Ace discounted advertising in exchange.

12th Avenue Businesses: Jonah to have article ready for next newsletter – deadline April 15th.

Website Report by Maggie Price. Maggie outlined some of the frustrations with the process and also some ideas for the website.

Denver Botanic Gardens: Brent advised Board that Jonah had accepted the third CP position on the Neighborhood Advisory Board.
New Board Member: On a motion by Maggie, seconded by Tom Conis, Petra Schroeder was unanimously appointed to the Board.

Adjournment: On a motion by Maggie, seconded by Joe, meeting was adjourned.