

Congress Park Neighbors August 17 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00

**In Attendance:** Vicki Eppler, Steve Eppler, Tom Conis, Judith Spiegel, Karen Miller, Marguerite Detmer, Tom Detmer, Pat Blue, Jeannie Kaplan, Dick Martin, Rob Sithuburo, Robert Speth, Maggie Price

**Speaker Jeannie Kaplan**

Representative from *Denver Our Schools*

Goals are to have 4 new school board representatives that do not represent the current philosophy of present school board.

Denver public schools are based on business model, designed to get rid of bottom 5% every year.

More charter schools are offered than local public. What is the purpose of public education?

It has gone from an educational institution to job training institution. The curriculum is getting narrowed.

Current Superintendent is a reform candidate.

Introduction of Robert Speth, candidate for at-large school board.

**Speaker Jeaneen Shaw**

Project Manager *Denver Water*

Water facility at 10th and Detroit is over 100 years old

Construction is taking place at that facility.

Construction crews will be visible working in the project area. Additionally, items such as erosion control blankets and temporary fencing will be in place in certain areas. The construction equipment will be stored inside the fenced, restricted area, but may be visible from the alley west of Detroit St.

3 storage tanks are being repaired. The project is very noisy at night. Neighbors hope for additional landscaping with berms to absorb sound and hide equipment.

Maggie gave a report on INC and their resolution concerning Private Public Partnerships and the formation of a department that would approve projects without Council input.

Steve Eppler gave crime report. CPN ranks 30th for residential burglaries out of 78. Denver has turned into a major car theft hub, older cars are the target for parts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30