Congress Park Neighbors Meeting Notes  October 19 2016

Attendance: Tom Conis, Vicki Eppler, Chris Martinez, Conor Techentier, Mike Cerbo, Wendy Moraski, Myles Tangalin, Maggie Price, Aaron Goldhamer

Meeting called to order 7:00

Discussion on dumpster conversion in Congress Park. Tom Conis heard from Charlotte Pittman Denver Waste. It may start in July 2017 and outreach will start in 2017. Looks like if pickup is in alley, it will continue in alley.

Motion to approve Aug meeting minutes. Wendy Moraski moved to accept, Vicki Eppler seconded. Approval by acclamation

INC Delegate meeting report- Maggie Price

- Meeting was held Oct 8. Major issue voted on was Initiative 300, Temporary marijuana use in Bars and Coffee house. INC voted to strongly oppose mainly because of lack of notification to neighborhoods and because Business Improvement Districts could override wishes of local RNOs. Neighborhood agreements could be unenforceable. BIDs and RNOs have different objectives. Only RNOs can

Green Team Report- Maggie Price

- Green Team banner successfully designed and used
- Participated in 10th Annual Peace walk and had information table at event
- Working on Solar options webinars and alley clean up.
- Additional leaf drop has been provided to allow neighbors to place leaves locally in CPN and will take to city leaf site for neighborhood
- Collaboration with Sewell for Sensory
- Hosting workshop with CP businesses to help them obtain certifiable Green Business status. Green Door Fitness has obtained certification as has Wag Shoppe. Maggie suggested that we recognize our businesses obtaining this certification by providing a directory of them.

Short Term Rentals - No report

Denver Right - Myles Tangalin

- Denveright had 4 meetings around the City, both Myles and Maggie attended the one at Teller. Data is being collected for Parks and Rec, Pedestrian, Transportation.

Chris Martinez - Mayors Office

- He is reaching out to the RNOs to improve communication with the Mayor's office.
- Information will be sent to RNO regarding some of the topics that have come up. Stressed that doesn't take place of info from Council offices. I-70 is State project. City is working with
Globeville to improve quality of life.

**Botanic Gardens** - Vicki Eppler

Not much going on at this time.

**Newsletter Report** - Wendy Moraski

Newsletter should be out around Thanksgiving.

Action Item - Tom to send Wendy name of new principal of Reach

**Neighborhood Planning Initiative** - Myles Tangalin

New groups of planning are being formed that will include Congress Park. Purpose is to create or rewrite Neighborhood plans. There is still no clear process about how this will take place. Looking to 18-24 months for each plan. Congress Park will be in East Central, groups will be Congress Park, South City Park, City Park West, Capitol Hill and Cheesman. Denveright will be taking place at same time. Steve Nalley did the presentation, each planning group will have a project manager. Vicki Eppler will be attending meetings also.

**Annual Meeting**

Meeting will be changed from 21st to 14. Suggested Teller, AI Vicki Eppler to contact Teller and ask for meeting place on Dec 14 for meeting

**Miscellaneous Topics**

Homelessness at Cheesman Park. Should be aware of travelers at our parks.

Aaron cautioned to have a meeting that was less contentious than a previous one 2 years before.

Mike Cerbo who is running for RTD board introduced himself.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00**