April 18 2018 Congress Park Neighbors Inc meeting notes

Attendees: Tom Conis, Steve Eppler, Vicki Eppler, Rodney Allen, Stephen Bingham, Lisa Bingham, Mary Ellen Sweeney, R. Tony Smith, Karen Miller, Myles Tangalin, Elizabeth Chester, Dayl Sommers, Mary Sullivan, Wendy Moraski

Start at 7:02

Call for approval of minutes from April. Vicki Eppler motioned to approve Myles Tangalin seconded.

NEWSLETTER
Update on newsletter by Wendy Moraski
She is putting together the summer edition. Tom stated that the spring newsletter was delivered 6 weeks ago. Wendy asked for articles for upcoming newsletter to be sent to her.

LIGHT POLES ON 12TH AND CLAYTON
Vicki Eppler gave report current report concerning on-street lighting located at 12th and Clayton. The antique appearing light poles (4) were donated and installed by a neighbor/donor (Swanee Hunt) and given to the business district. Two of the light poles are seriously damaged. In her research Vicki found out that if a street does not have a light in the center of the block an application and petition can be filed out. Resident of the block will need to sign the petition. It's required to have a light in the block.

CRIME
Steve Eppler gave crime report. Crime is increasing in Congress Park. They are mainly crimes of opportunity. He spoke about wireless cameras as an option to serve as a witness to crime events. Some models are cheaper and less complicated than others.

GREEN TEAM EVENTS AND EARTH MONTH PROGRESS
Mary Sullivan gave report on the final Earth Month event to take place April 28. It will be a walk through out our neighborhood to view water wise landscaping. More events are planned during the summer months and kicking off Plastic Free July starting July 1.

INC
Maggie gave report on Inc (Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation). The Parks and Rec and office of special events are trying to change the alcohol rules in parks. There will be some opportunity to hear their presentation. A survey has gone out and a decision will be made by the Director of Parks and Rec sometime in June or July.

PRESENTATION ABOUT CHERRY CREEK ARTS FESTIVAL
Member R. Tony Smith gave a presentation about Cherry Creek Arts Festival which runs July 5-8. Tony has been on the board for the festival for over 10 years and welcomed all present to the event. He told of the history of it and its 501C3 status. Free parking will still be provided at the Cherry Creek Mall. http://cherrycreekartsfestival.org/

COLFAK CORRIDOR
Miles had a report Colfax Corridor Connection. The last meeting was March 14th and they discussed the survey they received about 1200 responses 70% were in favor of Transit changes on Colfax which
involves buses running down the center of E. Colfax. There will be more public outreach in the next few months.

Our new neighbor Elizabeth Chester introduced herself and offered assistance with our many projects.

UPCOMING EVENTS
On April 28 Congress Park Neighbors, CHUN, Colfax On The Hill (BID), Bluebird BID and South City Park will sponsor a meet and greet for neighbors to meet the Neighborhood Associations. CPN Green Team will host their final event for this year’s Earth Month on April 28. It will consist of a short walk to view water saving lawns and projects.

The Annual CPN Ice Cream Social is on and a permit is in place. The event will take place the first Tuesday of August for National Neighbors Nightout. Vicki will contact Sweet Cooie and make arrangements for Ice Cream.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30