

Congress Park Neighbors meeting Oct 15, 2015

Present: Tom Conis, Maggie Price, Karen Miller, Jesse Morreale, Stephen V. Eppler, Vicki Eppler, Carrie Palmer, Nona Shipman, Laurie Lucero, William Porter, Myles Tangalin

Approval of August 2014 meeting minutes, motion to approve Vicki, second Myles.
Passed and posted on website.

New Board member Vicki Eppler introduced

Newsletter report – Editor Wendy Moraski unable to attend, dead line for submission is Oct 15, 2014. Paper will be delivered in mid November

9th and Colorado Project - Myles reported that plan is being tweaked. Demolition will start in February or March. Will go to DURA in December.

Crime and Police - Steve Eppler told of auto/pedestrian accident at 12th and Clayton. Pedestrian was injured and cited for jaywalking. There is an interest in another stop sign at Clayton at 12th to make it a 4 way stop. Vicki is to contact Jeanne Robb about it. Traffic study may have to be done to see if it is feasible.

Botanic Gardens - Report by Myles and Vicki

DBG is looking for 3 board members (Trustees). Victoria is on the selection committee. Potential members should be involved in the community and committed to doing the work that is necessary. The list is submitted to the Mayors office for appointment.

Currently there are 7 candidates and Victoria is one of the candidates. If she is selected she might not be able to continue to be Congress Park rep to NAC. Trustees are expected to notify community of events at the Gardens that could be disruptive to the neighborhoods. The difference between a representative to NAC and Trustee would be ability to vote. There has been a huge increase of attendance due to Chillhuly exhibit, but it is believed to be temporary. Future exhibits are not projected to garner as much attendance. Should other shows create as much interest, attendance may be limited to prevent impact on neighborhoods.

Rec Center -

No new info but public meeting to occur October 21

Teller Back Pack Program

CPN has been promoting this project. Social Workers at Teller have identified students whose families are economically challenged and access to food during weekend is

limited. Program sends food home to family via the student. CPN will match donations up to first \$300. Vicki will write thank you notes to donors.

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation

Neither Myles or Maggie could attend.

Speakers for evening

Nona Shipman

Grad student who has been encouraged to have a community engagement project. Because of the dog waste that she has noticed in CPN, Nona designed a website containing a map of dog poo receptacles within CPN and neighbor provide bags. The site also contains info about free bags provided by the City.

William Porter

Media Relations Officer for Clerk and Recorder Office. Clerk and Recorder is responsible for sending out ballots. Denver has several innovations in voting, most visible is Denver Votes app which will show closest drop off stations for ballots, candidates and live results. Ballot trace is another product that can trace ballot from drop off to count. Mail in ballots have saved tax payers 30%. Clerk and Recorder also administers marriage equality, property taxes, foreclosures and is the custodian of City Records. The office will be digitizing and archiving all city records.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59