



Museum Park Super Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes

- Council Member Attendees: Kathleen O'Reilly, Susan Young, Kim Mickelson, Julie Farr, Kimina Jamison, Paul Wilson, Jose Ferraro, Sandy Stevens.
- Other Attendees: Cindy Woods, Barbara McGuffey, HPD Lt. Shamara Garner, Shavonda Johnson, Mary Milloy, Lynn Dahlberg, Carl Davis.

Date: January 11, 2017

Location: Farish Media Center

Time: 5:35 p.m.

Lieutenant Garner, HPD:

- Mayor will roll out a comprehensive, multipronged plan soon to address encampment under HWY 59.
- Mayor and TXDoT are in talks to determine who will be the complainant as to trespassing. TXDoT is public property. Encampment is a trespassing issue and currently TXDoT, as the property owner, must be the complainant. TXDoT's current policy is to not enforce no trespassing in these situations because it's public property, and due to past litigation.
- Under HWY 59 HPD enforces civil ordinances including public intoxication, public urination, etc. as well as drug violations and other criminal activities. Lieutenant Garner stressed that HPD has not been told to ease back on enforcement of ordinances.
- In regard to food distribution, most people want to help, so HPD takes down information of individuals engaged in feeding and gives them a copy of the ordinance.
- Solid Waste Management Dept. will do a mass clean up once the enforcement is rolled out.
- Crime statistics for Museum Park area comparing December 2015 to December 2016:
- Overall statistics show a drop of 2%
 - Burglaries, no change (7-7)
 - Shop lifting up 200% (1 - 3 incidents);
 - Aggravated Assault, no change (1-1);
 - Auto Theft, down 40% (5-3);
 - Burglary & TMV up 21% (14-17), an increase not only in Museum Park, but also city-wide. Here, mostly occurring around Hermann Park.
 - Robberies down 83% (6-1)
 - Theft up 10% (10-11).
- Comment from Council that vehicles parked near Scrappy Brown's & Faces are experiencing break-ins. Captain Garner indicated that she will request increased patrols in the area.

Shavonda Johnson (CM Boykins' office): Mayor Turner is planning to roll out a comprehensive plan to address the encampment in 2-3 weeks. City of Houston does not have a "no camping" ordinance. "No camping" can be enforced in city parks only. Councilmember Gallegos, District I, is crafting an ordinance to address camping in the city.

Kathleen reported that Mayor Turner spoke extensively on this issue at the Super Neighborhood Alliance meeting last month and he will unveil the plan shortly, intended to be comprehensive and holistic. MPSN will continue to work with the Mayor's Office and Council on this issue.

Jose Ferraro: MP Business Alliance is progressing. Discussion followed to include restaurants as part of the Alliance. Park Plaza, as a for-profit hospital would be a valuable partner in a Business Alliance.

Jose and Susan will meet tomorrow to discuss art installation on Main Street Fencing under HWY 59.

Susan Young: Game Day Showcase, the Initiative to bring some Super Bowl activities to neighborhoods: Midtown, EADO, Theater District, Museum District. Museum District is scheduled for Thursday evening, February 2 when the Museums will stay open late and MP restaurants will offer specials. MFAH and Museum of Natural Science will have private super bowl events that evening. Focusing on individual neighborhoods is a good model to use for conventions.

President's Report:

- Meeting with Dale Temple regarding damage on Caroline Esplanade. Dale is working with the developer to mitigate damage.
- Houston Bike Plan will go to city council in the form of an ordinance in January to be passed in February as a guide...20-year plan.
- Thanks to Kimina for her service on MPSN Council. Ethan Beeson will take her place as Hermann Park Conservancy Representative to the Super Neighborhood Council.
- December MPSN meeting prioritized development of a cap over HWY 59 as the number one goal from the Livable Centers Study. MPNA /other organizations may take on additional goals from the LCS.
- Bayou Trail, a public art project of Houston Arts Alliance, will host a meeting January 28, 10-1:30 at the Cherie Flores Pavilion, 1500 Hermann Park Drive.
- Tonight, Midtown is hosting Annual Town Hall Meeting.

Vice President's Report: Paul indicated that Covenant Church meets next week with three potential contractors proposing to do the church addition. Covenant plans to begin construction in the summer. He will bring a rendering of the project to the February meeting.

Secretary: Minutes from December meeting approved.

Adjourned: 6:10 pm

Next Meeting: February 15, a change in normal meeting date due to Farish Media Center not available on regular date.