

CORRYVILLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 10, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes: The October minutes were approved as written.

Police & Safety Report:

- CPD Officer Wiley Ross distributed crime stats, and reported that a suspect believed to be responsible for numerous car break-ins in the Stetson area was apprehended. In response to a member questioning details of an attempted burglary of his 2800 Euclid property, Officer Ross said he would check the records and report.
- Capt Eliot Isaac announced the Nov 25 Dist 4 Safety meeting would not be held due to the holiday. Dist 4 Safety meetings are scheduled the 4th Wed of each month, 6:30 pm, at Dist 4 headquarters, 4150 Reading Rd. Community attendance is encouraged.
- UC Officer Doug Barge distributed crime stats, and reported there had also been numerous car break-ins in the East Campus Hospital area adjacent to Stetson. He was optimistic that the suspect apprehended by the CPD would improve the situation.
- A repeat of the "Lock It or Lose It, Put Your Junk in Your Trunk" flier campaign was discussed.
- City Solicitor Thomas Beridon, Community Prosecution Section Program liason, took note of member's nuisance complaints about several properties: 2619 Eden, ? Rochelle, 2912 Jefferson, and 2912 Vaughn. He said he would investigate the complaints and report.

Treasurer's Report/ Neighborhood Support Program (NSP) Report:

- Mike Ealy happily noted Amy Parks was not able to attend due to recent delivery of a healthy baby girl!
- Dan Plofchan reported the books are in order, with a \$5207.28 balance.
- The time pressing need for 2009 NSP receipts to be compiled/submitted, and the remainder of the available funds to be spent was addressed. Rec Center staff will be contacted.
- Per the Oct CCC meeting announcement that a vote on 2010 NSP projects would take place at this meeting, proposals were discussed. A motion to approve the following projects passed unanimously with 17 in favor: \$3,200 for The Youth & Teen Employment Program, \$675 for Cleanup and Beautification Efforts, \$900 for Community Communication, \$2,000 for Legal Assistance to Obtain 501 C-3 Status for the CCC, and \$225 for required Liability Insurance.

Cincinnati Empowerment Corporation (CEC) Report:

Mike Ealy reported no progress has been made in distribution of the \$70,000 approved for Corryville's Youth and Safety Program grant proposal.

Neighborhoods of Uptown (NOU) Report:

- Kay Weaks updated NOU's recent activity re: wayfinding and boundaries. At the Oct NOU meeting the group was joined by Laura Martin (City Trans & Eng), Mary Stagaman (UC/UpCo), and UpCo Wayfinding Committee reps from Corryville, Clifton, and The Heights. Laura and Mary explained the Wayfinding Committee had been meeting for 5 years, the Uptown neighborhoods have been unable to agree on their boundaries, yet the signage was to go into production the next week. Laura presented the City's map of the Uptown neighborhoods boundaries and with the caveat that no decision NOU made would be binding regarding official neighborhood boundaries, she proposed NOU decide sign by sign in the contested areas whether to label the back of the sign with a neighborhood, and which one, or leave it blank. This proposal was agreed, and accomplished. At the Nov NOU meeting the group began discussion about the principles and process necessary to facilitate neighborhood agreement on their official boundaries.

Vine St Com Urban Re-Dev Corp (VCURC) & University Village Bus Assoc (UVA) Report:

Jacquie Anguilli noted nothing pressing to report.

Corryville Community Dev Corp (CCDC) Report:

- Dan Luther reported Chipotle had been robbed.
- Vickie Flynn reported a contract has been signed for a Stetson condo.

Uptown Crossings Community Urban Re-Dev Corp (UCCURC) Report:

Gerry Siegert noted the Oct report stands.

Corryville Recreation Center (CRC) Report: No report given.

Old Business:

- Mike Ealy updated status of the **Vernon Manor redevelopment and use of district TIF**. He reported leadership of the CCC, CCDC, VCURC, and SVA met with the City's Econ Dev Dept (EDD) Patrick Ewing, Jeff McElravy, and Com Dev Dept (CDD) Bill Fischer for clarification. The EDD reported they were diligently seeking outside resources, and working with the CDD in an attempt to minimize the use of district TIF, (the EDD noted use of Avondale's district TIF had been ruled ineligible). They assured no recommendations have been made, and the City intends to keep Corryville and Avondale apprised of any developments.
- Phil Rotte objected to use of Corryville district TIF to assist a large private developer, suggesting there would be greater community benefit to streetscaping improvements along Jefferson and the side streets leading to Short Vine.
- Kay Weaks said she thought many of Phil's suggested improvements were already included in the Sht Vine streetscape planning underway, and that she and Jacquie Angiulli would clarify the scope at next week's CORT Streetscape Committee meeting.
- Two motions approved at the Oct CCC meeting were reviewed: 1) a letter of support for the Vernon Manor project noting the considerable community benefits, but qualifying that because the CCC has already voted for or prioritized use of a substantial portion of its district TIF funds for projects within the boundary of Corryville itself, though a portion of our district TIF could potentially be allocated we will need to determine the percentage at a future date, and 2) CORT's recommendations for prioritization of projects for use of Corryville district TIF.

-Kay Weaks updated **CCC Governance Committee** activity. Committee members were sent a file of documents for review and consideration which included: the CCC's current Code, the 1973 CCC Articles of Incorporation (questioned as the most recent), the City Vibrant Neighborhoods Committee's proposed Ordinance 554 for Community Councils, CUF Neighborhood Assoc's By-Laws, a draft of Avondale Community Council's revised By-Laws, an explanation of numerous community/CCC positions, and a CCC Code revision she prepared to initiate discussion. She explained the draft was an attempt to incorporate changes necessary for the CCC's ability to comply, useful content from CUF's and Avondale's By-Laws, and language in the City's proposed ordinance.

- Because Vickie Flynn noted she and Safi Safi had not received the email, it was agreed to delay further discussion until all committee members had an opportunity to review the information.

New Business:

The need for a special CCC meeting next month to discuss development activity is anticipated, and was scheduled for the 2nd Tues, Dec 8, 6pm, at the Corryville Recreation Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

As recorded by Kay Weaks

Please encourage your Corryville neighbors and associates to visit the community's www.Corryville.org website, and sign up for the CCC's CorryvilleCC@hotmail.com electronic mailing list.