

North Hill Neighborhood Meeting Thursday, March 12th, 2015

Attendees: 21

Community Development (CBDG) - Sandy/Buzz

- Committee working for past year -18 mos to revamp the process due to Fed Gov changing rules. New proposed allocation process to allow for broader scope of projects. Potential for neighborhood pooling.
- In final stages of process to determine allocation process for 2016.
- Determination based on % of low to moderate income households.
- No block groups/areas in North Hill that qualify for the 75%+, some block groups/areas close to the 60% level.
- Neighborhoods that do not have enough "block groups" within certain levels may not qualify for funds.
- HUD funds, have limits, primarily for betterment of community infrastructure, health and safety, etc.
- Meeting March 18th - West Central Community Center 5:30-7pm

Neighborhood Profile - Sandy (Nathan)

- Have until mid-May to submit final changes for Neighborhood Profile.
- Garland Business District information submitted for inclusion.
- Suggestion to add picture and info about Firefighter memorial on Howard/Garland.
- Include additional historical information, refine language about what neighborhood values.
- Refine document to meet space limits, save additional content, post to neighborhood website and link to that "For more info."

Cleanup Event - Mike

- Scheduled for Saturday, April 11th 9a-12p
- St Francis of Assisi church parking lot 1104 W Heroy
- Work crew will be on site to help offload vehicles
- Three components:
 - 3 large roll off dumpsters for yard waste, leaves, etc
 - \$25 dump passes will be available, some at Cop Shop
 - Curbside trash pick up. Will be recording names/addresses, room for 40 reservations, pick up happens the following week. 3 items allowed, must be liftable by one person (item examples: box spring/mattress, 2 tires, bag of trash, box)
- Yellow postcard flyer going out in the mail toward end of March
- Volunteers needed, should arrive by 8:30am
- Reminder signs to post around the neighborhood, nextdoor.com**
- Food drive?
- Deter people from dumping early

Traffic Calming Application - Mike

- Upcoming project in Garland Business District at Lincoln/Garland.
- Meeting with GBD a couple weeks ago re design, etc.
- Property owners are all on board.
- TBD on start date.
- Application submitted for bump out at Garland/Stevens to support school crossing. City traffic engineer supportive.

- Proposal to put temporary portable speed detector/limit signs on Maple/Longfellow, Joseph/Maple, Franklin park on Queen/Washington.
- Suggestions welcome for other areas where portable temporary speed sign may be beneficial.

Neighborhood Planning - Sandy

- Started last June, 3 neighborhood meetings since and draft of plan put together in Dec. Input provided and revised draft received 3/12.
- Work needed to prioritize wish list of projects.
- April 1st, 4pm at NH Christian Church Post/Wellesley - City Planner available for review meeting.

Land Use Changes - Sandy/Mike

- 4108 N Monroe Cell Phone tower application - 60 ft tower.
- Moratorium on cell phone towers voted on at Monday 3/9 City Council meeting, unsure if it applies to this most recent application.
- Land Use Attorney from Seattle to speak on cell phone towers on 3/19 7pm at Women's Club at 1428 W 9th.
- At April meeting, presentation on proposed land use change for empty lot on SE corner of Wellesley/Maple. Residential SF rezone to Office up to 35ft tall.

Community Assembly (CA) - Sandy

- Community Assembly is revamping, new set of goals, changing meeting structure.

*Proactive Rental Inspection - Sandy

- At CA, action taken was to research issues unique to rental properties before providing further solutions.
- Initial feedback from landlords and tenants was negative to initial solution.

Office of Police Ombudsmen -

- Office looking to do outreach in communities.
- Complaints and compliments are dropping with Ombudsman position vacant.
- Interview process under way, hopefully candidate will be selected soon.

Garland Business District -

- Thrift store closed March 1st. Property owner working with GBD to secure something other than thrift store. 5800 sq ft.
- New Growler business in former Diva Dog space, will have music and art, will not be open late.
- Gathering House opening soon. Working with farmer's market folks from downtown to do twice/wk in space behind building.
- Masonic Lodge working to put a restaurant in basement. Houses behind on wall will be transitioned into retail w/condo above (3 year plan.)

Sp Policy Update - Officer Doug Strosahl - n/a

City Council Update - Candace/Karen - n/a