

Meeting Minutes North Avondale Neighborhood Association (NANA)

Date and Time: July 10, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Time	Topic/	Responsible Party	Issues/Decisions/Outcomes	Actions & Assignments
1 Min	Call to Order	Maura	Welcome new Board Members and new NANA members- Ben Walker, Tina Dyehaus (Strategic Planning Committee)	
2 Min	Approval of Minutes from June's meeting	Sylvia	Ursula Hassel motioned; Minutes approved.	
15 Min	City Services Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police • NA Recreation Center 	Alex Hasse Tim Heyl	Demeco Anderson. Demeco. Anderson@cincinnati-oh.gov . Direct line 569-8655. Supervisor of Alex Hasse. Started in district 4 –extensive experience. Master in criminal justice. Expectation of getting back to residents very quickly within 10 days. 765-1212 (non-emergency number). If see suspicious activity note time and description of vehicle and report. Tim Heyl: installed blinds ☺. Getting ready for after school program for N. Avondale.	Officer Anderson to follow up on motorcycle noise at Belvedere. Toni Ewing to Brian.beechler@cincinnati-oh.gov Meet with police officer to address repeated issues on Glencross.
5 Min	Beautification - special projects	Ursula	In process of creating sustainable plan for beautifying intersection of Washington Ave and Clinton Springs. Looking for volunteers. Potentially other projects. Ave. with sustainable plan to be solidified by fall; possible other projects? Fall thinning of the park lilies (DTBD); 32 flower planters requested	Thank you to Cecil Thomas, Jan Banks, Char Morse. Great start! If you can help, please contact Ursula Hassel at 751-4546
5 Min	Membership –special social events	Carolyn	1st Annual Fourth of July	Thank you to all

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			<p>Bike/Trike/Wagon Parade -super fun! Great success!</p> <p>In collaboration with the NA Business Association (NABA), NANA is considering a "Celebrate Fall Party in the Park" at Seasongood (DTBD). We would like to showcase the talent of our community. This event can only happen if we receive enough interest from the community.</p> <p>Picnic in the park potential if sufficient interest.</p>	<p>organizers/ providers and participants!</p> <p>If you are interested in participating, or if you would like to join the committee, please send an email to Carolyn Gillman @ cgillmanwhhs@gmail.com by August 15th. Patricia is contact for businesses who want to participate.</p>
5 Min	<p>City's Statistical Neighborhood Approximations (SNAs) - City compiles SNAs from census track information which does not represent recognized neighborhood boundaries; Paddock Hills and NA up to line 65 (on southern side) have been combined over the years.</p>	Maura	<p>For 2012 (based on 2010 census tracks), city recommended separating Paddock Hills from North Avondale (up to census track 65 at Clinton springs); there is no accurate way to accomplish to this task as the census track (CT) 65, block 4 (lowest level) includes north side of Rose Hill (NA) and area west of Paddock Hills (PA); therefore, for consistency and to avoid further distortions, NANA and Paddock Hills Assembly recommend SNA should remain as one SNA (Paddock Hills has approved.) City is indifferent. In addition, NANA requests correction to our southern border with Avondale as most of CT 68 is in NA's recognized boundaries, yet the city includes in Avondale's SNAs. City only agreed to provide a supplemental report with more accurate SNA for NA. Ursula Hassel moved to accept the recommendation</p>	<p>NANA/Paddock Hills to send letter to City Planning Department, Katherine (with reasoning for the requests.)</p>

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			to request the City to keep the SNA's combined for North Avondale and Paddock Hills (as in 2000), and to ask the City to improve the accuracy of the SNA to reflect our southern border based on census track/block ; Rebecca Williamson seconded. Motion passed.	
5 Min	Strategic Planning – Land Use Committee - Survey	Rebecca Williamson	Approval to conduct membership survey of potential businesses. Developing Survey to see what needs of community are and what they would like to see in a business district. Patricia moved and Bryan Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed.	If you can help with the survey, contact Reg Crutcher at crutchre@hotmail.com
5 min	Ecosystem Committee -Update on storm water issues - Enquirer article provided “Everyone can help to keep local waterways cleaner”	Clare Sillett	Compiled all responses to-date (10); schedule meeting tentatively set for 8/14/12 at 7 PM, NA Rec Center. Pamela Smitherman will be a chairperson of the committee. This committee will also address wildlife in the fall.	Reviewed responses from initial questions and concerns about storm drainage. Will consult experts (MSD, Green Umbrella, consultant) to attend meeting; Char to send email blast to community
10 Min	Councilmember Yvette Simpson Questionnaire	Maura	Review and approval of NANA's proposed response (obtained from previous NANA working group envisioning and Board suggestions). Input is to re-rank the items with NBD first; Beautification second. Motion to approve the response with amendments to Yvette Simpson's questionnaire. Patricia moved; and Rebecca seconded the motion. Motion approved.	Charlene will make necessary edits to the Survey as reflected in the motion and submit it to Councilmember Yvette Simpson

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5 Min	Old Business Review signs in the NBD for code compliance; Include main streets as well (Dana and Mitchell)	Maura	Approval to request city to conduct “Sign Sweep” and property maintenance code compliance review. (City’s recommendation to be fair and consistent.) (NABA already approved). Businesses will have time to remediate without any penalties. Will also look at property owners. Patricia moved; Ora seconded—motion passed.	NANA/NABA to send letter to Building and Inspections, Ed Cunningham
2 Min	New Business	Maura	<p>Volunteers needed – Grant Writing (Library offering courses); Beautification projects, Health and Wellness for WeThrive and Adopt-a-Class; Ecosystem</p> <p>Grass is high on Mitchell; called city. Can call 591-6000 on uncut grass. City will contact owner and issue citation ultimately cut grass and bill owner. With city cuts, litter department is down to one person. Ora mentioned that city will not cut more than twice a year.</p> <p>Potential to look into getting a private company to do it. Pamela moved to do this; motion was seconded and Motion Passed.</p> <p>Steve Black running for judge. Provided his background and qualifications. Kate Christoff works for Yvette Simpson.</p>	<p>If you can help, please contact committee chair and Charlene Morse.</p> <p>Ursula will follow up with Xavier on grant for beautification.</p> <p>Glen Lyon and Barry Ln storm water/sewer issues should be added to Ecosystem list.</p> <p>NANA will contact company to obtain estimate to cut grass on vacant property</p>
		Adjournment	Moved to adjourn.	

