Minutes North Avondale Neighborhood Association (NANA) September 8, 2015 7:00 p.m. at North Avondale School Cafetorium

Date /Time:

Topic/	Resp. Party	Issues/Decisions/Outcomes	Actions & Assignments
Call to Order - Welcome new members & visitors	Hanne		
Approval of Minutes from Aug 10 General meeting	Tiffani	Motion to approve minutes	
City departments 1. Police Introduction of Joseph Milek, Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police, Xavier University 2. Fire Department 3. NA Recreation Center	Captain Herold /Sergeant Anderson/ Officer Hamann Blake Brown	Review Crime Statistics report With Cincinnati Police Dept. for 22 years; now the Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police for Xavier University. Received Master's at Xavier; adjunct for 5 years. Also worked in District 4 Wants to establish relationship with the North Avondale community to help ease problems that sometimes occurs between NA residents and off-campus Xavier students. Andrew Redd - student body president at Xavier. Can call him with problems if students get out of control.	Join the NA Rec Center & Sign up for fitness classes
Citizens for Cincinnati Parks Guest speaker: Chris Watkins, Grassroots Director Committee in opposition to the Park Levy Guest speaker: Tim Mara		citizensforparks@gmail.com, cincyparkslevy.com Levy is being brought forward to try to curb a \$55m budget deficit. There are 3 components to the levy: 16 park trails, budget deficit, bond would provide money to create changes in maintenance, development; levy will repay the bond. This levy will not take control from the Park Board; will freeze funding. Not known who is financing these changes/suggestions. Why do we need a separate tax levy instead of just setting up a foundation for the parks? Tim Mara, Attorney (Opponent)	

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		Tmara4570@aol.com Levy is a tax that extends into perpetuity. Marion Spencer decided not to back the levy, calling it "Bad Government" because if passed, changes won't go through a budgeting process, one person will make suggestions (Park Board Director) and one will control the decision-making (Mayor). 83.5bm worth of projects now needed; levy would not even cover the money needed to correct the current issues. Would take another 15-16 years to add new projects. Concerns: Burnet Woods – 90 acres. Autobahn (important birding area with over 200 species of birds). Mt. Airy is the largest park in the city. Terrain will be changed for multi-purpose trail. Mountain bike trail will be laid, currently it is a rough terrain. Jewish Center Community Center in Roselawn, King Records – neither of these has any attachment to the Park system. He'd rather spend money on trees affected by emerald ash.	
Wasson Way Bike Trail Guest speaker: Jay Andress		7.6 miles to Little Miami Bike Trail. Bike lanes will be 13 ft. wide, two lanes for bikes, one for walking. Trail will extend from Dana to Victory Pkwy, to Paddock Hills. Nine streets will be crossed with the trail. Senator Portman is a supporter of this. If levy does not pass, it would take 10 years to complete. \$600,000 in trail designwork; not part of the park levy.	
NSP 2016 projects	Tom Wright	\$6800 budget \$2500 budget. Monies will go to Annual Membership Drive and communication \$4300 to community events and Beautification of neighborhood.	

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		MOTION: to approve monies from NSP grant	
		to these activities. Seconded by Emily Harden,	
		motion passed.	
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NANA Committee Updates:	NANA	Avondale Community Council meetings are every	T : : : : : : :
Membership committee /Social (Carolyn	Committee Chairs	3 rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.	Join committees!
Gillman)		Invite Chief of Police to meeting	
• Treasurer/Finance (Tom Wright)		Mayor will join us in November	Sign-up sheets available,
Beautification (Emily Harten/Bridget			or talk to committee
McComas)		Adjournment: 9:22 p.m.	chair
Real Estate Committee (Maura Wolf)			
Education/Rental housing (Pauline Daly)			
• Law and Safety/Blockwatch (Marvin			
Masterson/Michelle Baxter/Carolyn Gillman)			
Property code (Dana Winn)			
Other business? - Meeting adjournment			