

# Minutes

## North Avondale Neighborhood Association (NANA)

**Date /Time:** February 11, 2014 7:00 p.m. at North Avondale Recreation Center

Time	Topic/	Resp. Party	Issues/Decisions/Outcomes	Actions & Assignments
1 Min	Call to Order - Welcome new members & visitors	Maura		
2 Min	Approval of Minutes (Note: January's General Meeting was cancelled due to Chief of Police Blackwell's Town Hall Meeting at same time.)	Nicole	<b>Dana Winn motioned to approve December 10, 2013 meeting minutes, Jan Banks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b>	
10 Min	<p>City Services Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Police</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA Recreation Center</li> </ul>	<p>Sergeant Anderson/ Officer Hamann / Captain Neville</p> <p>Blake Brown</p>	<p>Reviewed Crime Stats report. Crime decreased 11% as compared to last year.</p> <p>Police implemented a 90-day pilot program - Customer Service Days- to schedule all police officers to work on the same day periodically. Recent crimes have been solved.</p> <p>Cincinnati starting a Police recruit program for additional Police Officers; not sure # of additional Officers for Dist. 4. New recruits late on-board 2015, lateral transfers will be sooner.</p> <p>Fitness Sampler - March 8<sup>th</sup> -Sample Fitness classes: spinning, zumba core stretch, yoga, weights walking running club; 8 week challenge.</p>	Attend Fitness Sampler, and consider signing up for 8 week challenge.
2 min	2014/2015 Nominating Committee (NC)		Trustees appointed 2014 Nominating Committee: Maura Wolf, Hanne Loken Larsen, Marvin Masterson, Reg Crutcher and Mike Caporale.	Send NANA Trustee nominations to <a href="mailto:Maurawolf100@gmail.com">Maurawolf100@gmail.com</a> or to <a href="mailto:nanacincinnati@gmail.com">nanacincinnati@gmail.com</a> .
	<p>Beautification</p> <p>-NBDIP – Parks Cost Sharing Flower Pot Program 20 pots for ½ \$400 total cost, net \$200 per pot for 3 plantings, use pine as center piece to last through winter (year-round)</p> <p>-KCB Safe and Clean Grant.</p> <p>Mullins agreed to lower bill from \$1,800 to \$1,000 for clearing lot street side last fall (1<sup>st</sup> KCB</p>	Maura for Beth	<p><b>-Jan Banks motioned to ratify Exec Board approval of NBD IP program (flower pot – NANA paid \$3,000 of \$4,000; Beth and Heather will fund raise with \$2,000 target, NANA and NABA each pays net of fund raising, approx. \$1,000), Marvin Masterson 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b></p> <p>-Completed work for \$3,500 KBC Grant with Mural landscaping and vacant lot clearing; applied for 2<sup>nd</sup> KCB Safe and Clean Grant for</p>	<p>KCB Phase II -Need to finish proj. to prevent weeds growing back, and clear more rubble.</p> <p>-Maura to plan KCB project with team Nicole, Beth, Mary Ann and Emily.</p>

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	Grant), only cleared, did not grub  -See Beth's report and Wishlist/Budget  -Banners – Holiday Banners re-made with new design and durable fabric, need new design for year-round banners		approx. \$9,000, as phase II, to complete the work since we were only partially funded. If granted, use for sustainable landscaping on lot, lighting for mural and security camera. -Holiday banners are replaced and re-hung for free by Roger. Thank you to Roger and Vanessa! -Daffodil Bulbs planted by Edie, Mark.	-Help pick up litter, and remove illegal signs. <b>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b>
	WeTHRIVE! Health and Wellness Grant Expenditures (\$1,650 of \$ 6,420 total)	Teresa	Update on initiatives of partnering with NA Rec Center and Gabriel's Place. <b>Marvin Masterson motioned to ratify Executive Board approval total \$1,650. \$630- Cooking class &amp; chafing dishes Gabriel's place, \$720 p-t help @ Com. Garden and \$300 senior yoga class, both at Rec Center, Lillian Andrews 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b> \$1,000 grant given to Rec Center- must be used to purchase shoes- to start walking club.	-Volunteer for healthy initiatives by contacting Teresa Harten at <a href="mailto:teresaharten@msn.com">teresaharten@msn.com</a> -Share a meal every Tues. night at Gabriel's Place- open to the community. -Attend next meeting Feb 14 and Feb 28 2:30 Rec Center.
5 Min	NANA/NABA Collaboration Update Executive Board Recommendations	Maura	<b>Dana Winn motioned to approve NBDIP Grant Pre-application submission- \$30,000 Market Feasibility Study (for objective view of what businesses could be sustained in the business district) NANA will handle minor grant, NABA will handle major grant – possibly façade improvement; Per Bill Fischer (Trade and Economic Dept, request can be changed before final written sub. 4/13), Jan Banks 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b> Stay tuned for release of the NABA Website.	Join NABA –Connect our businesses to collaborate.
5 Min	Strategic Planning – Land Use Committee (Divided tasks by working Groups)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Chair of Committee</li> <li>• New Interns</li> <li>• Neighborhood Business District (NBD) Survey</li> <li>• Urban Planning session with Interboro and DAAP</li> </ul>	Tom/ Maura	-Tina Dyehouse stepping down from Committee Chair (due to family obligations), will be on committee; Tom Wright was approved as new Chair. -Maitri Desai is our new DAAP Intern; Previous intern - Greg Littell and friend Bridget Hamilton for 4 hours. Albert Sigman may volunteer too. -Finalizing NBD Survey results; 220 responses received. Thanks to Tina and Tom!  -Final Interboro Report to be completed.	-Next Meeting 2/27 Belvedere Approx 7 PM.  -Rebecca and Carolyn to finalize report on Interboro Urban Design Workshop.  -Need City help to remove the illegal advertising benches. -Clean up the NBD routinely (litter, etc.) <b>Need City help!</b>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Form-Based Code – on hold; will work on NBD Vision Plan and branding, also waiting for City timeframe</li> <li>3916 Reading Road update</li> <li>Interim Development Code reconsideration Several communities implemented Interim Development Control (IDC) for NBDs</li> <li>Community Development Corporation</li> </ul>		<p>Met with Liz Blume and team of CBI to Collaborate – possible architect/planner design sessions.</p> <p>Development Team recommends an Economic Feasibility Study.</p> <p>Need to work out org. structure of CDC.</p>	<p>-Continue IDC evaluation (Limited timeframe; hold off for now).</p> <p>-Potential investors contact nanacincinnati@gmail.com</p>
5 Min	Property Code Communication	Dana/ Nicole	<p>Review committee meeting; Working on assessing property, approx. half of NA completed, will be sending letters. Vacant - 927 Avondale Ave – sent to City.</p>	<p>Good Neighbor letter to be finalized; Next meeting 2/13 7 PM Rec Center. Please volunteer to help!</p>
2 Min	Quality of Life Delivered appreciation holiday cookies to District 4 Police, NA Rec Center, Hirsh Rec Center, Cincinnati Parks (both operations and East div.)	John	<p>Thank you to John Jones, George Farnsworth, Marvin Masterson, Olivia Wolf for baking and donating holiday cookies for gifts (see left column).</p>	
10 Min	Update on Commons at Alaska (CAA)- Reviewed Freedom of Information Doc. – City planned not to inform residents until after the LIHTC awarded, which would have been after comment period. CAA violates several laws – zoning, Housing Impaction Ordinance, and Fair Housing Act, 42 USC. 3608(E)(5)(Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing).	Linda/Roz	<p>PSH uses not permitted in RM 1.2. (e.g., Alcohol and substance abuse, and under criminal justice supervision.) <b>Jan Banks motioned to affirm Gerry Kraus as NANA Zoning Advisor, Dana Winn 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b> Council voted to not rescind support; later Maura, Gerry, Marvin, Linda testified before Neighborhood Committee (NC) chaired by David Mann. NC did nothing. Once Permit applied for 10 days to appeal. – By Avondale 29 Pls refer to SES and Health study links prev sent. NA in declining status out of 4, ranked a 3 and declining. <b>Marvin Masterson motioned to approve \$1,000 to provide legal advice to NANA regarding CAA and other illegal subsidized public housing units which further concentrate poverty, also our hot spot crime areas (Tim Mara is experienced in zoning), Albert 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, approved.</b></p>	<p>NANA continues opposition.</p> <p>Participate in Good Neighbor Meetings with developer to ask questions. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting – 2/25 6 PM Church of Living God.</p> <p>Express your opinion by writing letters to the Mayor and City Council.</p>

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1 min	Administration		New NANA voice mail phone # 401-5356; Convert email to Constant Contact; Considering converting News Letter to new format -easily read on email/tablets/smart phones.	
1 Min	Finance – NCST	Hanne	NCST – reviewing property at 3931 Vine Vista Place. NANA passed on offer. Currently Listed for about \$24,000.	
5 Min	Membership –special social events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication Street/Block watch groups</li> </ul>	Maura for Carolyn	Need more Street Communication Captains; please volunteer for your street!	-To help out, contact Carolyn at <a href="mailto:cillmanwhhs@gmail.com">cillmanwhhs@gmail</a> ; Like us” on facebook. -Albert Andrews needs block watch sign for Ardmore.
5 Min	Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Registry of Historic Places</li> <li>• Plan Cincinnati Implementation Team</li> <li>• Follow up - Mitchell Bike Lane Safety Committee</li> </ul>	Maura  Maura  Nicole	-Margo Warminski, Director of Cincinnati Preservation Assoc recommended 3725 Reading designed (Hannaford) for stabilization funds from the LandBank. -965 Burton - no update. -Review plans to create Historic District in NA. Margo is reviewing the 2009 draft submission that was stalled due to non-payment of the cell tower company to consultants. Will provide contact.  Next step – measurements of goal attainment.  -Mitchell Bike Lane Safety Com to pick up Street Calming.  -Rain Garden Alliance Meeting tbd.	Contact LandBank. Check on status with Margo.  Refer Historic District to our History committee. Contact Maura if you can help..  Write letter/ <b>Need city help to reduce speed/street calm</b>  If interested, contact: <a href="mailto:Claresillet@gmail.com">Claresillet@gmail.com</a> .
Min	New Business	Maura		
	Adjournment		Tom Wright motioned to adjourn, Albert Andrews <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> , all in favor, approved.	