Minutes

North Avondale Neighborhood Association (NANA)

Date & Time: November 13, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Topic/	Responsible Party	Issues/Decisions/Outcomes	Actions & Assignments
Call to Order	Carolyn	Welcome new NANA members	
Approval of Minutes from Sep. and Oct. meetings	Sylvia	Minutes have been posted on Website & were distributed at meeting for review.	If no changes, aprove Minutes.
City Services Report • Police • NA Recreation Center	Alex Hasse	Officer Hasse detailed arrests in the neighborhood for burglaries. Three under arrest, more pending. Year-over-year, crime down 25% in NA.	Community members have the ability to petition court to strengthen sentences through "Court Watch." Challenge with
	Blake Brown	After school camp is at capacity (Good news!) Getting brand new weight room, cardio equipment and fitness classes to help attract more community members. Will be open till 9pm in evening on weekdays beginning 12/1. Jan1, attire of CRC is going back to blue. Would like to bring pottery to Rec center.	notification on court date. Charlene will work out system with police to get notification of court dates.
Beautification Congratulations for the Keep Cincinnati Beautiful Awards — Dana triangle, Marion, Seasongood, Wash look great!	Ursula/Carolyn	Thank you to all the volunteers (recognized in the NANA News); special thanks to Ursula, Roger, and all of our adopt-a-plot gardeners. Special thanks to Beth Ewing for organizing Washington beautification project.	Congrats to the committee on the KCB awards!! \$250 award. Help clean up the NBD for a great showing to developers. Iris bulbs still available.
Ecosystem	Pamela/Clare	Coyotes and Horned Owl; MSD follow-up.	Dec 1 will be sending out email .re: water and wildlife issues. Meeting to follow.
 Four arrests of juveniles admitting to recent burglaries; remain vigilant at reporting suspicious behavior, vandalism; copper thefts. 915 Dana ordered to be vacated; no longer a 100% HUD subsidized building; soon tenant-based marketrate, with some section 8 voucher; under new management. Reopen scheduled 2013. 	Carolyn for Michelle	Resources are data driven, please report. Membership approved safety flyer. Two meetings scheduled: 1) CMHA Director Gregory Johnson; and, 2) John Murphy – owner of 915 Dana and new property manager, Shelly. Two top Chronic Nuisance Report NA Properties identified in the City's report: 3652 Reading Road (Downtown Property; 910-920)	Need volunteers to help with distribution of flyers; Report suspected crimes to 765-1212 and email Alexander.Hasse@cincinnation.gov or 911 in case of an emergency; notify NANA on website: northavondalecincinnati.com On nuisance complaint form.

Membership –special social events NANA/NABA- "North Avondale Connects! great event, showcasing businesses, arts, crafts, and music. Reviewing membership database and website for upgrades (Quick Books Online to demo soon.)	Carolyn	Thank you to NABA/NANA participants and working group for NA Connects! (Hanne, Heather, Reg, Kristin, Jack, Debbie, Rebecca, Patricia, Carolyn, Maura); welcome new members: Kim Russell and Arisca Hampton. Well attended; discussion about doing it more than once a year; have event earlier next year?	Carolyn will schedule demo Quick Books Online demo.
 Finance Settled on Warwick. (Showing tomorrow 3:30). National Community Stabilization Trust. 	Bryan/Maura	NANA news: Looking for reputable renovators, developers, investors. 2 more NCST properties under evaluation: 5-family and a 2-family.	Email maurawolf100 @gmail.
 NANA/NABA Collaboration Update NA Connects! start Business Directory/Frequent your local businesses. Sign Sweep and Property Code follow up. 	Maura/Patricia	Welcome several NABA members who joined Strategic Planning – Land Use Committee; Expand business directory off of NA Con! Following up on Property Code Violations Several warnings/citations have been issued.	Join NABA if you own a business or rental property; contact Patricia Baxter.
 Property Code Communication (PCC) Meeting held; streets divided by participants (updating list), following up with City. Requested to be Pilot: Vacant Foreclosed Residential Property Reg. (ord # 195) completed, but referred to City council. 	Carolyn	Carolyn has volunteered to be Acting Chair; PCC is communicating regularly with City. Welcome Shannon Crutchfield and Dana Winn to the committee. Great job!	Report problem properties to Charlene Morse; Send letters, follow up communication; Need Volunteers
 Strategic Planning – Land Use Committee NBDIP Grants were not received. Ranked 14th out of 29 projects. (Blighted lot Improvement 3916 Reading to 172,000. Safety grant for NBD surveillance cameras 20,000.) Will continue discussion with City on RFP/PDA for development of 3916 Reading. Form Based Code (FBC) discussion; attended Urban design workshop for pilot neighborhoods. Community Development Corporation (CDC) 	Tina Dyehouse Maura	Developer from Indianapolis looking to diversify to Cincinnati (Milhaus). Motion by Clare seconded by Bob Novak: to move forward with expression of interest to become Form-based Code community (FCFS). Motion passed. (Replaces existing zoning.) Won't happen until spring, and can pull out. Start with a Vision Plan for NBD. Motion by John Jones seconded by Mary to accept Tina Dyehouse Co-Chair for Strategic Planning. Motion passed. Need to work out org. structure; investors contact maurawolf100@gmail.com	Form WG - Clean up the NBD routinely as developers are evaluating (litter, etc.). Will be surveying community to see what type of businesses community would want. Continue IDC evaluation (Limited timeframe; hold off for now.) Maura to testify at Livable Comm. and Job Growth Comm. need \$ investment in neighborhoods. Anyone interested in starting CDC, please contact Maura Wolf.
Old Business	Maura	Motion: Acting Committee Chairs receive a vote on the Executive Committee by Clare seconded and passed Streets subcommittee met with City Followed up with Victory Place- all market rate;	Still trying to get a meeting with Armory Rep. about signage, etc. Follow up with City on Streets to- do list. Contact Sam (owner of vacant

		some Hope for Change residents. Waiting for Sam (prev. mgr of cricket.) to call back. Thank you to our new volunteers!	renovated property on Reading.)
New Business Volunteers needed - Property Codes Com., Health Dept Liaison, Abandoned cars		Resident discussed objections to bike lanes on Mitchell; history - NANA had two meetings and voted in favor as it has been shown to help property values. Also, responses from City reach-out to Mitchell residents, indicated most residents were in favor; only a few cards were returned not in favor.	If you can help, please contact committee chair and Charlene Morse. Reach out to Cindy Stevie-Bowen director of student services to talk about block watch on Dana with Xavier students. Kimya on Washington volunteered to be liaison with health department. NANA to follow up with City to find out if residents will be fined for parking in bike lane.
Adjournment	Maura	Ursula moved to adjourn, which was seconded; meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.	