

NANA General Body Meeting Minutes

Sept 10, 2024, North Avondale Recreation Center

Meeting called to order at 6:30 ish pm by Dawn,

Minutes Revised minutes for July were approved. Bob brought only one copy, so it was passed around. A motion was made at the end of the meeting to postpone approval.

Jennifer Harten was announced and welcomed as the new 2nd VP, and the Beautification Chair.

Neighborhood Police Report: Officer Allison Heiland was introduced and the new community Liaison. She has been with the district for 5 years.

Officer Amanda Kaiten also cautioned everyone to lock your cars and do not store anything of value visible in your car. She also advised not to carry a lot of money especially in this holiday season.

Community Budget Request: Sarah Koucky presented three Community Budget Funding Request (CBRs) projects and asked for a vote. CBRs are due to the city by September 30th. Sarah Presented three projects:

1. A Trail connecting from Winding Way through Victory Parkway Greenspace to Xavier to connect Wasson Way via Xavier campus.
2. General Infrastructure improvements to Seasongood Square and MLK Parks to include irrigation and lighting.
3. Improvements to North Avondale Recreation Center by adding a new wall inside to the multi-purpose room to reduce noise during monthly meetings and adding parking along Clinton Springs in green space. Add solar lighting to current parking area and an updated larger sign to use for announcements.

The vote was affirmative and unanimous; the requests will be submitted by the due date 9/30/24. General Body thanked Sarah!

Historic Preservation: Matt suggested we approve funding the consultant Shellenberger for help moving forward with LHD. The cost is approximately \$16,000. Approval for NANA to commit \$8,000 in matching funds for neighborhood donations. Motion was approved unanimously. Everyone encouraged to donate. General Body thanked Matt!

Task Force: Dawn gave an update on progress with the Task Force headed up by Council member Johnson and Vice Mayor Kearny.

Coalition for a Better Cincinnati: Walt and Maura gave updates. Funds to retain legal counsel have been secured. The Coalition is working on the following 3 objectives: 1) exploring legal avenues 2) Developing a ballot initiative to possibly overturn the ordinance or parts of it, and 3) exploring new political candidates. The group is following similar lawsuits in Arlington and Alexandria VA, where the plaintiffs feel confident in the legal case to overturn upzoning.

N.A. Master Plan: Walter said the planning is moving ahead. There is not much information at this point on Transportation. Mention was made of the city wanting to do something with the four

corners at Paddock and Reading Roads to make it better for businesses. Details are sparse for now. General Body thanked Walter.

Sandesh reported that the **Youth Program** is running and encouraged everyone to get children registered. General Body thanked Sandesh.

Guest Speaker: Monica (Mothership Center) announced the opening of Elevating Wellness, a program to enhance mental, physical, emotional and financial wellbeing from youth to adult. Located @ 4365 Reading Road. (phone 513-845-9661. Volunteers are needed.

Bobby She wants to promote agricultural education and wants to use a greenhouse as a training center. Walt mentioned there was a greenhouse that was currently underutilized. They agreed to talk after the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned just after 8 PM.

Bob Brockman
Recording Secretary