

Story Preservation Association

June Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2012
Kenilworth School

CAOs: Officer Ben Harris unable to attend. Sent an email update.

Diego Delgadillo	Bob Croft	Cheryl McGregor	Kim Jennings
Gary Hochstetler	Diane Hochstetler	Joe Zbick	Steve Methvin

Members Absent *(*indicated Excused)*

Earlene McDonald

Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Community Action Officer (CAO) Report:

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From email: I have reviewed the calls for service from September 1 through December 1 of this year. The busiest days of the week were Saturday and Sunday, and the busiest times of the day were typically 8AM to 8PM. This is a typical large spread when we look at a large area over a period of months. There were no significant trends that I could see, except that the residential burglaries occurred between Sat and Teus. There were only 6 reported burglaries in the last 3 months, which I believe is directly related to the 65 suspicious person and vehicle calls that were made by FQ Story residents. This accounts for one third of the calls for service, and is very good to see! Please keep it up.

In the last couple weeks, I have contacted three subjects in the alleys, either loitering or trash digging. I will be doing more patrols through the neighborhood in the coming weeks, due to the volume of crime we experienced this time last year.

In both the Willo and FQ Story neighborhoods, I have seen calls about a Black male in his 20's, tall & thin, afro hair, soliciting money for his sick daughter. He has given a couple different stories ranging from his daughter having asthma, to being in a car accident, and needing money. He has been knocking on doors during morning and evening hours, and was last seen wearing a dark shirt, khaki pants, and possibly carrying a black trash bag. We have not yet identified this subject. If you receive a knock on the door from this person, call immediately 602-262-6151, and please call me and leave a message, or send me an email.

Meeting Minutes:

- November meeting minutes were presented. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made and seconded. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Treasurers Report

- Report for November was presented. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made and seconded. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Welcome Committee

- No new business or issues.

Visual Award

- 910 W Culver was chosen for the next winner and Kim nominated 1530 W Culver for next month.

Home Tour

- CJ Carezza gave a report on this past weekend's Home Tour. We had 1908 guests and grossed \$31,200.00. Plans are to refurbish/update the aging booths for next year. Several suggestions were put forth to make it easier for volunteers of future home tours. Steering committee approved a donation of \$500.00 to the Community Housing Partnership to offset the low canned good count.

General Business

- Approved expenditure to repair Marilyn's car that was damaged.
- Storage – approved the leasing of a storage room for the home tour booths and other items that belong to the neighborhood. Bob is pricing and viewing the facilities. The one at 21st and Van Buren appears to be the best so far.
- Discussed purchasing our own tables and chairs for events rather than renting them. CJ will do the research regarding prices.

Rosie's House Presentation

- Becky from Rosie's House gave a presentation on the music charity and their needs for donations of money and instruments.

1602 W Lynwood Use Permit Discussion

- Owner: Rosalia Pereyra
- She is a psychologist who has a small practice that serves children and families. She rents in Paradise Valley and rents office space at 24th St and Oak. She purchased this home and wants to see patients there 2 ½ days a week. There will be no employees and this will be her primary residence. She stated that she would park on the street and the patients would be parking in the carport she is building as part of the renovations.
- Ginger Mattox provided information from her research into the User Permit regulations.
 - Phoenix will not allow the owner to park on the street or clients to use the carport as the carport is required parking for the home as a replacement for the garage that was turned into living space.
 - There is not enough land to create the on site parking required by code.
 - This should have considered by the architect and there was no General Contractor.
 - To get a waiver to use the carport would open up even more regulations for the homeowner to comply with.
- Various questions from attendees to clarify the above information.

- No other such permits are in effect in the neighborhood and previous applications for such permits have always been denied by the city.
 - Issues brought up:
 - Precedence - if this is approved, what will happen down the road? Many people do not want businesses mixed in with homes.
 - The permit stays with the house even if the house is sold - leaving more questions for the future.
 - Will this affect the historic overlay?
 - Parking - unable to meet the city requirements. Where will the patients park? Will they really park in the alley and walk around to the front of the house to enter - or just park on the street. There is no signage allowed so how would patients know where to park?
 - Traffic - how much traffic will there be and at what times?
 - John asked about some rumors regarding residential patients and armed guards, which the homeowner denied. Byron asked Ms. Pereyra what would happen if the permit were denied. She stated she would have to rent office space and it would be a financial hardship.
 - Several people expressed their opinions as to why they did not want the permit approved and why they lived in the neighborhood. Others stated their reasons for why they felt it should be approved.
 - Some discussion was had on historic preservation and the changes to the house.
 - CJ asked for the previous letter to be read aloud. Bob complied.
 - Steve made a motion to maintain the Steering Committee's opposition to the permit. Kim seconded the motion. Voice vote held: 6 ayes and 2 nays.
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- Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.