



MISSOULA NEIGHBORHOODS

Community Forum Report

City Council Chambers, 140 W. Pine

September 23, 2010 at 7:00 pm

Moderator, Ray Aten

Captain John Mullan – Kathie Snodgrass
Farviews/Pattee Canyon – Ray Aten
Franklin to the Fort – Absent
Grant Creek – Absent
Heart of Missoula – Bill Flanery
Lewis & Clark – Greg Gullickson
Lower Rattlesnake – Absent
Miller Creek – Absent
Moose Can Gully – Absent
Northside – Absent
River Road – Mike Hathaway

Riverfront – Absent
Rose Park – Absent
South 39th – Cathy Deschamps
Southgate Triangle – Erik West
University District – Absent
Upper Rattlesnake – Don Sims
Westside – Absent

City Council Liaison – Jon Wilkins
Neighborhood Liaison – Erin Scott

OTHERS PRESENT

Kimberly Allen, Kiera Gallup

QUORUM

A quorum was not present

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A quorum was not present

APPROVAL OF CF MINUTES

Minutes will be approved at a later date.

PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items from the public)

Kiera Gallup, American Red Cross stated the American Red Cross of Montana responds to a disaster every 53 hours, and Montana is vulnerable to a number of disasters including flooding, wildfires, tornados, earthquakes, high winds and others. She distributed a [handout](#) stating the organization offers free disaster preparedness training programs. The programs are an hour long and for more information contact www.montanaredcross.org or 1-800-272-6668.

PRESENTATIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Forum Budget Resolution.

The forum discussed the language stated in [Resolution 6601](#) and reviewed the [revised draft](#) regarding the community forum budget guidelines. They discussed Attachment A., the Guidelines

for "Appropriate Uses of Neighborhood Council Operating Funds," and the forum agreed to the new language. The language was clarified in Attachment B, "Neighborhood Small Projects Fund" and they agreed to the changes.

ON GOING BUSINESS

None

REPORTS

1. Staff Report – Erin Scott

Ms. Scott stated she attended the U of M career fair to find a work study student to help in the Office of Neighborhoods. She received three resumes and chose Kate Hall. Ms. Hall is from Livingston and attends the U of M and is studying Exercise Science. She will work in the Office of Neighborhoods on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Ms. Scott noted Ms. Hall is a hard worker and fits in well. Ms. Scott intends to introduce Ms. Hall to the neighborhood councils and discussed the job duties that Kate is performing.

Ms. Scott stated there are eight applications requesting large project grants and they are currently being processed. The committee will meet on October 6th to discuss the applications, and they will be presented to the forum in November.

2. Neighborhood Council Reports.

River Road – Mike Hathaway stated they had a general meeting on September 15th and they discussed LaFray Park, the project grants, scheduling an October meeting, Leadership Team, and sandwich board replacement.

Upper Rattlesnake – Don Sims announced there will be a joint meeting with the Upper and Lower Rattlesnake to discuss transportation issues.

Southgate Triangle – Erik West said they discussed their next general meeting. Inaudible

Lewis & Clark – Greg Gullickson announced their new leadership team has met two times. Their general neighborhood meeting will be October 13th, at the Lewis & Clark grade school. They applied for two large neighborhood grants; one for a traffic signal box art and one to help pay for the new Lewis & Clark play ground equipment.

Farviews/Pattee Canyon – Ray Aten, no report.

Heart of Missoula – Bill Flanery reported they had a council meeting on September 8th. Inaudible.

South 39th – Cathy Deschamps stated they will have a general meeting in October. They applied for a large grant for a traffic signal box art located in their neighborhood.

Captain John Mullan – Kathie Snodgrass stated the leadership met and scheduled a general meeting on the 28th and they will discuss Pleasant View Park.

City Council Liaison Report – Jon Wilkins reviewed the city council's actions regarding the Road & Park Special Improvement Districts, the new Prius, and the Montana Leagues of Cities and Towns that the city council will be attending on Oct. 6th – 8th.

He mentioned the residential twelve point inspection program that allows rentals and homeowners to have their home inspected for safety.

Strategic Planning – Janet Fiero & Erin Scott

Ms. Scott discussed last year's goal planning and mentioned the forum did not get a chance to move forward with the objectives.

Ms. Scott asked the forum to form two groups to discuss goals and solutions to move forward for 2011. The objective is to develop a plan for neighborhood networking, gain continuity and share resources. The goals are to:

1. Encourage and support neighborhood participation in city government where it does not exist.
2. Create a media plan to raise awareness about neighborhood councils, community forum and the office of neighborhoods.
3. To build and create opportunities for neighborhood communication, neighborhood initiated projects, interaction and problem solving.

The forum divided into two groups and discussed the goals.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Elam

City Clerk Office