

University Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: June 5, 2019

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location: *Lewis and Clark Villages Community Room 3000 South Higgins Ave*

Members Present : Julie Stephenson, Bryce Rowe, Jennifer Copley, Jeff Birkby, Peter Drakos, Rick Caron, Dori Giles, Tony LaPlante.

Others Present: Jane Kelly, Jordan Lyons, Ben Weiss.

1. Approval of May 7, 2019 Leadership Team Council meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.
2. **Treasure Report:** Peter Drakos reviewed the budget. We have about 293 dollars remaining in our budget for this fiscal year (which ends in June). We discussed ways to use the remaining funds in this fiscal year. Possible ideas were to purchase flowers and plants, more signage, and trees. Also discussed was putting down high viability crosswalks at University and Arthur.
3. **Lighting and Pedestrian traffic safety concerns:** Ben Weiss, City of Missoula Pedestrian/Bicycling Program Manager, discussed lighting and traffic safety concerns, i.e. students and residents in the University District. Ben discussed a recent study monitoring Maurice Ave car traffic, stating that over 1,100 cars traveled down that street. He also discussed resident concerns regarding Woodworth Ave and Maurice because of overgrown foliage covering the stop sign and street lighting. Ben also mentioned that Maurice is pretty much a straight shot without stop signs all the way to Beckwith Ave. A solution discussed was possibly installing a calming circle at a cost of 8-10K, or installing a less expensive option of installing a rubber circle type calming circle at a cost of roughly \$ 2,100. He also mentioned an interactive map available online at missoulampo.com.
4. **Neighborhood Council Report:** Jane Kelly discussed the recent relocation of her office within the Department of Housing services.
5. **Higgins Ave Bridge modifications/updated and Leadership Team Letter of Support:** Peter Drakos discussed that the Bridge design is currently 70% complete, meeting ADA standards, and is projected to be 95% design complete by Fall, and a bid in November, with construction to begin in January, 2020. Ben Weiss suggested that Peter meet with the Mayor of Missoula and have discussion before the UNCL sends a signed letter of support.
6. **UDNC Logo Updates:** Jeff Birkby presented and the council reviewed the final two logos. The leadership team voted to keep both the river logo and the shield logo and use either logo as appropriate.
7. **ASUM Report:** Jordan Lyons discussed a budget request, the snow shovel grant update, and Mike Jakupcak's donation of several snow shovels to ASUM. Jordan also going to reach out to Kevin Krebsbach from Facilities and

Marty Ludemann from Safety/Police about supporting the piano key crosswalk at University and Arthur.

8. **Neighborhood Priorities:** Jane discussed a compiled document that she worked on regarding Neighborhood concerns/priorities. Jennifer Copley discussed and reviewed with the group a letter she composed to be signed by the UDNC and then presented to members of the City Council, and the Mayor. After further discussion the group decided to re-write the letter and present it to the City Council at a later date.
9. **Community Forum Report:** Bryce Rowe gave report on several agenda topics from presentations at City Council Chambers.
10. **Public comment on non-agenda items:** A mention about upcoming full moon ride up Logan Pass on June 15th. Also, Jeff Birkby mentioned that there will be enough money from the grant for the Kim Williams trail signage/Bollard project to place a sign every 10th of mile.
11. **Meeting Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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