

Pierson Place Historic District

Neighbors Creating A Better Neighborhood

7-16-15

Board Minutes

July 14, 2015 6:30 pm
Pam & Henry's House
305 W. Coolidge St.

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* in attendance. Meeting started at 6:34.

Discussion Topics:

1. Crime update. Suspects hiding in Elevation construction site result in police searches a few times a month. Charley to advise superintendent about this.
2. New CAO, Matt Makinster. CAO Makinster will speak at our next general meeting.
3. Vacant house at 410 W. Coolidge. Three units on site, all are vacant, transient and possible drug activity noticed by neighbors, police and neighborhood services have been contacted a few times, Charley to contact the City to get it boarded it up.
4. Delivery trucks (Mazie's) blocking Pierson St. Ray to contact the owner of the Landmark Towers parking lot for help with this.
5. Burnt out alley light on the canal bank. No discussion.
6. Treasurer's Report. Pam reconciled the bank statements, checkbook was out of balance about \$500 to the positive, current balance is \$3,576.32.
7. 2014 BW Grant update. This grant is done, final report was delivered on 7-10-15.

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Note: Agenda items may change or not be taken in this order. Comments may be limited due to time constraints, to ensure all viewpoints are heard.

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Discussion Topics: (cont.)

8. 2015 BW Grant. Training class. Robert and Charley will attend the training class on 7-28-15, grant will be funded in August. Categories in the grant: door viewers, driveway alarms, solar lights, t-shirts, alley lighting, newsletter, repair message boards, laminate newsletters, office supplies.
9. Website update, advertising. Nextdoor. Robert completed a big update on the website, and the board unanimously agreed it looks great. Newsletter advertisers have been added, and Robert to do minor updates in the next quarter. PPHD Nextdoor membership is in the 90's, striving for 100!
10. Canalscape, improvements at 3rd Ave bridge. No input from the City yet, they are still in the hiring architects phase.
11. Bike path and sidewalks on 3rd Ave. Kerry Wilcoxon agreed to add "round dot" bike path markers and bike signage on 3rd Ave. Charley is working with the Mayor's office on a sidewalk on 3rd Ave.
12. Central & Highland apartments construction update. Littering of workers' lunch trash on 1st Ave has increased, Charley to contact them to improve/eliminate this.
13. Proposed apartments at Central & Pierson. No new issues. Developer is presenting the plans tomorrow night at Osborn Middle School, then will be presenting to Alhambra Village on July 28th.
14. CASA, tool shed, Lyceum, bike racks, street paint. Discussion about projects that Community Alliance of Seventh Avenue is doing.
15. Arcadia Neighborhood, Frank Loydd Wright house museum. The board decided to not pursue this request.
16. Brophy Prep Variance Request, St Francis neighborhood. The board decided to not take a position on this item.
17. Historic Preservation, application to the Federal Register. No update, the Historic Preservation Dept is still working on our application.
18. General Meeting, July 29th, Cherry Tree BBQ, speakers: Asst Police Chief Kurtenbach, Transit 2050, Uptown Plaza. Gary advised the Cherry Tree owners live in Pierson Place.

New Topic:

19. Alley Gate Between Highland and Coolidge. Pam offered to coordinate new lock, chain and keys, and to post a sign the states who to contact for access.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.