

# APRIL 2009

# MONTHLY MINUTES

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## **CIDA MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 13, 2009**

Board Members Present: John Dunbar, Christy Chester, Chris Boland, Ed Hatfield, Chris Klimek, Michelle Freed, Pat Murfey, Virginia Watson, Scott Brown, Amber Arnett-Bequeaith, Monty Summers, Dave Beaham, Maria Moore, Jim McNair

Members Present: Jim Monahan, Bill Haw, Scott Burnett, Robert Klein, Ben Ross, Bill Teel, Darby Trotter

Guests Present: Cadena Brim, Sgt. Schriver, Lynn Tinsdell

President Chester brought the meeting to order. Amber presented John and Bo a plaque of appreciation from the CIDA for their continued support.

The treasurer's report was given. At this time we have \$11,696.87 in the bank. There was a motion made to give the KCIC \$2,000 instead of the \$1500. This motion passed. Maria will send out the new PO Box number and the list of non-paying members to members who are interested in calling to get them to rejoin.

Sgt. Schriver gave an update on West Bottoms Security. Graffiti is up again. John Dunbar states that a lot of this activity is happening on weekends. Everyone is encouraged to have videos on their premises to catch vandals in the act. If you have any concerns, give to Monty and he will give a report at the next meeting.

Bo presented an overview of planning going on in the city. They are doing a comprehensive plan which deals with the entire city. There is an Area Plan which is extensive and a Neighborhood deal with issues. The city is doing a Survey and Outreach program with both residences and businesses. There are updates on the website.

The City's Vision of plan objectives are:

- sustainability - framework for policy
- workability – guide to urban designs
- population and employment in the Downtown Area need to be doubled
- keep neighborhoods safe

John then spoke on the “On the Go” Implementation of things underway or being considered. In general, maintain the momentum of the plan. Some of the Potential Catalysts Projects – for example a major one is the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Viaduct and future land use. For the CID the city is looking at a height map being studied and modified, urban design analysis is being broke down. They are also looking at parking strategies, comprehensive economic development strategy for the city, continue to improve the city permitting and developing process. They are also improving and sustaining the short and long term fiscal health of the city as a top priority. The city would like to increase the amount of mid priced rentals to meet current demand for downtown housing and increase housing opportunities for those with moderate and low incomes...to provide a “complete community”. For Infrastructure the city would like to create a progressive 21<sup>st</sup> Century infrastructure. To encourage sustainable infrasolutions with new infrastructure standards. For urban designs, to improve the public realm and use for pedestrians. To protect our identity and character. To strengthen connections between neighborhoods.

A question was asked on what this means for the West Bottoms. Bo stated that the city would like to have a reactive guide and a proactive tool to implement these things but haven't got to implement the plan yet. Darby stated that his concern is how the city is going to use this information and Amber stated we want the city to go by the CID standards not city standards. The main concerns are hard to start businesses because of all the city's requirements. Maria stated that to walk in our area is very cumbersome and dangerous.

Old Business: To discuss on how to spend our 75,000 dollars a meeting will be held at Faultless office Monday, the 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss. Time will be 3:30 pm.

Parking Problems with Center – This group will meet now that Chris Boland is back in town. Cadena with the Center handed out invites on activities coming up.

The meeting was adjourned.