

MVNA Monthly Meeting Minutes: October 28, 2019

Who is in attendance: Board – Sarah Spernak (secretary), Carol Elwood (land use), Steve Pine (treasurer), Beth Hoover (chair) / Community Sub-Committees – Michael Whitter (fireworks)
Guests: Phil Bertrand/ Makayla Oliver (new City NA Liaison) / John Bennett

Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Approval of September minutes – Carol moves we accept, Steve seconds, and it passes unanimously
3. Land Use Report – Carol shares summary of last meeting that will increase density; Subaru expansion was attended by Beth and footprint will not change and no attendees seemed bothered by changes; four more short-term rental applications were received; meeting this Wednesday of a new medical/residential on NE Connors – mixed use with medical on first three floors and fourth floor 30+ apartments; expansion in motion for Desert Orthopedic building; Brinson and 18th are going to have a light industrial building going up;
4. NLA Report – Steve reports as Beth was not in attendance at that meeting; he shared our proposal on the street improvements. NLA created a survey regarding land use and sent a survey to Carol; and now NLA will be looking at the proposals from the safe streets program with recommendations done by January 2020; lastly, they are working on communication improvements with NA members.
5. Fireworks Report – Michael shares the City is close to finishing the City's updated code regarding fireworks. This seems to be an update that if a person uses illegal fireworks it is now a violation of City code and will that then change how evidence can be collected, i.e. a citizen can take a photo of a person using illegal fireworks and that be used as evidence towards violation of code; possession will also be a violation of City code and a citable offense. Nov. 6th is the City's second go-round with the code update. Michael is in contact with a lawyer who is helping to translate and understand the new code.
6. Pilot Butte Report – David G reports there is an upcoming meeting regarding the finalization of the plans for Pilot Butte (Nov. 14th) with Parks and Rec.
7. Transportation Report – David shares the prioritized transportation improvements that will be done within our NA. See report below for details. Many of the projects are mid-term projects so that means 10 years before it will be done. Question is raised when the Bike Network will be done, and David is not sure. Michael asks about the land use regarding the canal piping, but that is not part of the transportation committee's domain.
8. Makayla Oliver introduces herself and reports on the communication survey which is on the City website. The goal of the survey is to see how residents are getting info on NAs and if that is effective. Makayla also encourages us to send her specific projects we want to know more about regarding the transportation plan. Also, we can go to the City website and search Greenways and find the phase info on those specific streets. The City is now going through the applications from the NAs regarding the Safe Street Programs and then those apps will go to the NLA and the NLA will decide final projects by end of Jan. 2020. moliver@bend.oregon.gov
9. Submissions for Neighborhood Street Program: (A) Sarah motions for a vote to make our submission official and approve the process and application, Beth seconds, and the vote is unanimous. (B) Update regarding Robin Lewis' input on our application. We need to prioritize our requests, most likely because we have overshot our budget. Beth suggests we ask our

neighbors at the Nov. 4th meeting to prioritize our projects, but she also suggests we need objective criteria to help people make their choices. David suggests impact on children could be a criterion, accidents, number of daily car traffic, impact on sub-groups (pedestrians, bikers, etc.)

10. Annual Meeting Planning: Sarah will host the MVNA table and it will have tri-fold on MVNA and its accomplishments, Please Slow Down, and the prioritization of the safe streets and handing out ballots as needed / Michael will get pizzas from Costco / Eric will start at 5:15 pm and has until 6:20, then Barb has 15 minutes for a Q and A, election, and then prioritization on the ballot.

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One discussion point is to put our recommendations for the safe streets to the people and have them vote... OR let people rank them 1-4. Carol suggests an opinion poll at this point may not be effective.

Steve motions for the board to present to the neighbors our recommendation that we put the three smaller projects together and push those forward to the NLA and that Tucson will remain as part of the recommendation but not a priority; Sarah seconds the motion – discussion ensues. Board votes unanimously that we will simply present to the neighbors our recommendation with no vote or ranking from them. Phil pointed out that using the criteria of safety for children is a good criterion that will matter a lot to neighbors.

Next meeting set for Monday, December 2 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.