December 17, 2020 General Meeting Minutes

6:08 Welcome by Larkin

Introduction of Robert Trevino and Jay Podjenski of District 1.

R. Trevino:

Midnight swim update, thank you Byron B for initiating and coordinating the meeting and the neighbors. Council in the process of creating a low frequency ordinance in cooperation with the DSD, code compliance and the city attorney. Will take a few months to get the ordinance written. Trevino has spoken with McMannis, as well as the owner of Midnight Swim. D1 is a large district with many bars and music venues, yet Midnight Swim is the only one that has consistent neighborhood complaints. Owner of Midnight Swim says he will be in compliance with city ordinances. Until ordinance is written and passed, neighbors may file official complaints with the city. There are directions on how to do so. Contact Jay.Podjenski@sanantonio.gov for instructions. Jay to send to Larkin to disperse instructions.

Larkin:

Dues are due!

Just a reminder, if a neighborhood member is concerned with the cost of entry to the association, we have a hardship waiver. Contact a member of the board or email association for information and to get signed up. We do not want any barriers to entry, and we want our association all inclusive.

Board Vacancies

There are upcoming board vacancies which will need to be filled at our next general meeting. We also will have committee needs if you would like another way to be involved. Thank you to Rick S and Ricki K for their continued hard work on our committees.

We are continuing to look for ways to engage our neighbors and increase our participation opportunities. If you would like to get involved, we would love to have you.

Looking forward to 2021:

Thank you for the board members for staying consistent and engaged during 2020. We have aimed to stay ahead of any issues.

Addition of new apartments and city projects (N. St. Mary's Bond issue, for example): we will aim to keep you informed and up to date on these items as they progress.

Open for Q&A

Kathy: How do we keep things going through Covid with limited personal interaction? Is there a way to remind us of the meetings, perhaps on the day of? Some kind of update? Larkin: Yes, we can look into doing that, what would be the preferred method of communication? Facebook? Email. Kathy: Email. Letticia agreed. Kathy: Could you provide the details/instructions/reminders for everyone on how and where we can pay our dues?

Larkin: Yes. Will be included in newsletter or email. We would like to communicate more frequently and have plans for individual outreach via email.

Kathy: Since many of us are home, and even working on our homes during COVID, could we have some kind of "working on homes" or "rehabbers club" for the neighborhood?

Larkin: Yes. Ricki is involved and knowledgeable about historic rehab, would be a good resource, we could have a guest speaker as well. On that note, we are always looking for interesting and engaging topics for our meetings, so if there are suggestions for that we welcome them.

Kathy: Anisa is very good at following up with the city regarding grants topics that involve our neighborhood etc, can those items be in the newsletter/emails as well?

Lynn: Friday 12/18 in the morning there is a video conference for the Historic District Coalition Training Session. If anyone would like more information, please email: lynn@lynnknapik.com Jay: Regarding the substation, everything has been pushed back, but they hope to start the project toward the end of the 1st 2021 quarter. (March-ish) The bond work should begin late January, early February, and will start at the south end of N St. Mary's and move north over approx. 18 mos.

Lynn: Is there a plan to include a civic center?

Jay: There is a plan for a public meeting area. Plans for public art. Plans for exercise availability.

Lynn: Terry Court Park. developers have relinquished project, design and funding is needed for that project. Maverick Dog Park is under construction and looking very nice. It is large and includes space for humans, as well as dogs.

Larkin: Introduction of Anna Alicia Romero, office of Senator Menendez.

Anna: Upcoming legislative session begins Jan 12. Neighborhood opinions and input are particularly important to the senator. THCA has been very proactive with the office and input. Contact info: (210) 733-6604 or email annaalicia.romero@senate.texas.gov

The senator has been working on bills for seniors, public education, voting, senior citizen rights. Waived vehicle titles, registration and disabled parking placard regulations are coming to an end April 14 2021. Contact Bexar County Tax Assessor Collector's office for more information. (210) 335-2251 or online at http://www/TxDMV.gov

The quickest and easiest way to renew is online and is available up to 9 months past your registration expiration date.

For COVID 19 related Housing Issues: Help line offering a free 30-minute legal consultation (210) 570-6135

COVID 19 Mental Health Support Line: For anxiety, stress, emotional changes due to pandemic, there is a 24/7 statewide mental health support line (833) 986-1919

Kathy: share all this information with the neighbors via newsletter/email

Lynn: Mayor spoke at nationwide conference regarding tourism and real estate and san antonio is leading the way.

Larkin: Closing Remarks:

Thank you to all for your participation, support of association and our neighborhood. Adjourned at 643pm