THCA General Meeting

November 29, 2018 6:00pm - Eco Centro

Board members present: Cody Doege, Trey Porter, Amanda DeLong, Malcolm Hartman, Byron Berkus, Mike Cepek, Anisa Schell, Ricki Kushner, Blayne Tucker, Greg Siler

Cody Doege - Welcome

Eco Centro - Di Rios & Judy Temple:

Volunteer garden workdays on Dec. 6 & 10

The Good Market at the Impact Guild this Saturday 10am-4pm

Nature Buds (preschool program) on Dec. 10

Will be closed for Dec. 20 for the Winter Break through January 4

Cody Doege - Announcements:

January 24 will be the annual meeting and elections

Nominating Committee has filled the ballot, we will send out bios of candidates

Holiday Party will be Dec. 14 at Casa Rosa. Details on Website

Tonight's social after the mtg. will be at Plaza Guadalajara, save a ticket for a free drink Sunday, Dec. 2 is the Rock & Roll marathon which will go through the neighborhood

Bylaws - for the last 4-5 months the Board has worked on revising the bylaws. Changes have been made to keep the bylaws up to date.

Anisa Schell moves to accept the bylaw changes. Richard Gaylik seconds.

Discussion:

Doege: Read through the proposed changes.

Article IV, Section 1

Cris Rashberger - why are we reducing the flexibility of the bylaws from a range of 6-10 board members down to a strict 6 members?

Anisa Schell - the board currently has 11, and that size of board is difficult to get a quorum.

Sam Aguirre - I think it's better to have a set number so there is no fighting in the future of who and how many every year.

Article IV, Section 2

Buddy Parsons - Why is the power to approve a non-budgeted item being moved from the president to the vice president?

Trey Porter - because we are trying to spread out the responsibilities across the board and keep the system of checks and balances.

Article VI, Section 1

Buddy Parsons - Does the Historic Preservation Committee have authority over zoning in the historic district?

Ricki Kushner - Historic Designation is a zoning overlay. There is overlap with the zoning committee, and the two committees work together.

Article Vi, Section 4

Buddy Parsons: why would we want a confidentiality agreement? We have not seen this document.

Doege: the Board has voted on this and we will make the agreement available to the membership to view.

Ricki Kushner: this of typical of most organizations

Anisa Schell: I will make this available on the website. All 11 board members have had the opportunity to review this, and we do have at least two attorneys on the Board. Marty Kushner: this is good because if a Board member has a financial interest in an issue they will disclose that and recuse themselves before voting.

Summer Johnson: I support this and trust the board we've elected.

Article 1

Anisa Schell: there is an additional amendment needed. There is a statement required from the Secretary of State for our nonprofit status.

Trey Porter: read the verbiage of the statement for addition to Article 1.

Richard Gaylik moves to accept the statements recognizing us as a 501c3 into the bylaw amendments.

Summer Johnson seconds.

Votes are collected.

Cody Doege:

- Code compliance is here to support the neighborhood.
- We will post updates from District 1 on the website/Facebook
- Board elections will happen on Jan. 24. The nominees will be announced in the next e-newsletter
- St. Mary's Bond update: The city presented the preliminary plans to the community. There will be future public meetings. They want to start construction in December 2019. Future meeting dates will be announced, and we will put them on the website when they become available.

Election results for the bylaws: 43 Yes, 2 No, Bylaw amendments are accepted.

Committee Reports:

Zoning Task Force: Rick Schell, meetings are on Tuesdays, opposite of the weeks that the Zoning Commission meets.

- There is a project coming on Euclid near the Black Swan studio

- There is a project in the early phases for a portion of the Flasher lot, more info to come.

Historic Committee: Ricki Kushner, meetings are on the 4th Monday of the month.

- Townhomes are going in at McCullough and Courtland in place of the car wash.
- We've been working with a developer on a property on E. Locust that will be developed into townhomes.
- Euclid and N. St. Mary's went to City Council. Councilman Trevino recommended that it remain low density, but with a maximum of 20 units, and that was supported by City Council.

Treasurer Report: Printed reports are available on the table. Our main expenditures over the last few months has been for the 2nd Friday Socials and copies.

Diego Bernal's Office: going into session soon. He is looking for input.

Cody Doege: Tom Flynn is our membership chair. Please talk to him to rejoin THCA for 2019. Your membership must be renewed to vote for the Board in January.

Thank you to everyone for attending tonight. Don't forget the holiday party on Dec. 14 at Casa Rosa. There will be an ugly sweater contest. THCA will provide tamales and chili. Please bring a side to share.

Tom Flynn moves to adjourn. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned.