

Short North Civic Association Agenda

September 15, 2022 In Person: 6:30 p.m. Columbus Metropolitan Library North Branch (1423 N. High St.) and Virtual: Google Meet

Attendees: Bobby Thaxton (Board), Bob Stern (Board), Jim Farmer (Board), Caroline Stinziano (Board), Doug Gouty, Jared Cape, Jack Decker, Chuck Fairbanks, Chloe Siens-Nunez, Harrison Poku-Yeboah (on-line), Beth Fairman Kinney (on-line)

I. Welcome – Bobby Thaxton

II. Approval of Minutes for August -- Caroline Stinziano

Approval of August minutes deferred until October meeting

III. <u>Report from the Organization</u>

A. Meeting Logistics Updates – Bobby Thaxton

Meeting attendees discussed changing future meeting times for the SNCA to the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30pm starting in October. This timing better align with upcoming VVC meetings.

Additional discussion was had whether to continue with the online option or to go back to in person. Different options were discussed. Some members felt this made the meetings more accessible and would encourage greater attendance. Others felt the logistics of coordinating the online participation was challenging to manage, had not proven to necessarily increase meeting attendance/engagement, and there were possibly other ways to boost meeting attendance while returning to in person only meetings.

There was a motion made to continue to provide an online option for attendance and participation at future SNCA meetings.

Motion: Bob Stern Second: Jack Decker

Member vote: Motion passed with one dissenting vote (Stinziano).

B. Financial Report – Jim Farmer

Jim provided a financial update. Assets are up due to tour revenue even with offsetting expenses related to the home tour and Screen of the Green.

C. Membership Committee Kathy Rhinehart

- D. Development Committee Jack Decker/Marc Conte/Lisa Morton Erin Prosser will be attending October meeting to discuss CRAs and other city related housing strategies.
- E. Nominating Committee Bobby Thaxton
 Bobby working on forming a nominating committee to put together the Board slate for 2023. So far the committee consists of Bobby and Kathy Rhinehart.
 Please reach out if interested in being on the committee or in a Board position for the upcoming year.

IV. <u>City/Community Reports</u>

- A. Mayor's Office Presentation Chloe Siens-Nunez Discussed bond packages and will share additional info with the association
- B. City of Columbus Community Engagement Harrison Poku-Yeboah Harrison provided recent updates from the city. City Council is back in session as of September 12th and Councilmember Liz Brown will be reaching out to civic associations to discuss the capital budget.
- C. City of Columbus Neighborhood Liaison Beth Fairman Kinney Beth referenced city updates shared through her regular email updates which included a tire round up, nominations for the 20 under 20 youth award, an upcoming racial equity event, and a monkeypox update from Columbus Public Health.

D. Short North Parking Benefit Meeting – Bob Stern

Bob provided an update from the parking meeting (full report is located on the SNCA website). Highlights include:

- The parking czar has left the city and Amanda Ford has stepping into the role
- Evening parking exceeds pre-Covid levels
- Daytime parking lags pre-Covid primarily due to WFH and fewer events at the Convention Center
- Improvements continue to be made to the parking app to improve consistency of use
- The city is discussing whether they may want to move towards using a single vendor for scooters

E. Short North Foundation Report Chet Ridenour

F. Short North Violence and Prevention Workgroup Chet Ridenour

V. <u>SNCA Organizational Reports</u>

- A. Tour of Homes and Gardens Caroline Stinziano It's tour weekend! (Sept 17th/18th)! Caroline provided an overall update of the home tour activities for the weekend. Weather is looking great and it's important to spread the word to push ticket sales through the weekend.
- B. Screen on the Green Bobby Thaxton

The movie CoCo will be shown for the next Screen on the Green this Friday, September 16th.

C. Block Watch Chet Ridenour

VI. Public Comments/Questions:

Chuck mentioned that Adam Moscowitz was stepping down as president of the Dennison Place Neighborhood Association and that Chuck would be serving as the interim president.

VII. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn @7:15pm – Jack Decker