

ROOSEVELT ACTION ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2019

PRESENT: Andie Abkarian, Steve Bruckal, Joan Kelchner, Ryan Tempest, Doug Churchill, Bill Scheel, Caroline Van Slyke, Catrina Kahler, Cindy Ek

Call To Order 6:15 by Andie followed by introductions

GUESTS

Rick Naimark from ASU Presented a brief summary about 3 upcoming construction projects. The BioMed Campus at the SE corner of 4th Street and Garfield is under construction with completion expected a year from now. Thunderbird School for Global Management building construction will begin soon and is expected to go through fall of 2021. The Innovation Hall, at First Avenue and Fillmore, is in the final design phase.

Hance Park Masterplan review was lead by Inger Erickson, Director of City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation and other members of her team. Much of the master plan design was discussed. Neighborhood concerns included; reduced parking, lack of ramadas, splash pad, shallow area for trees, engagement of the corner of 3rd avenue and Portland and better communication. The first phase of the plan is expected to be complete by December of 2020, with plans for the other phases to be complete by 2023.

Updates/Regular Business

Roosevelt Street Bike Lanes – An Open House is being held at Burton Barr Library on Monday October 28. As a Neighborhood we do not have a position on the bike lanes but are looking for better bike connectivity, opportunities to be heard and open discussions with the city.

Historic Preservation – Bill Scheel shared that we are working with the HP office regarding a plan to save Oldaker House.

Roosevelt Home Tour Is November 17th 10am-3pm we are looking for volunteers for the day of the event. Saturday November 16 from 5-9 is a Speakeasy Garden Tour fundraising event. Tickets are limited and all proceeds go to community initiatives.

Development update was given regarding the property North of McKinley between 1st and 2nd ave., talks are on-going.

Sakina Lord gave an update on her alley-way art project. Talks are underway with homeowners.

Adjourn 7:45pm