

Roosevelt Action Association neighborhood meeting minutes
May 19 2020

Zoom meeting called to order by Andie Abkarian at 6:17 p.m.

In attendance: Andie Abkarian, Catrina Kahler, Christa Lawcock, Claire Nelson, Ryan Tempest, Steve Bruckal, Bill Scheel, Caroline Van Slyke

Treasurer reported \$43,596.32 as of 4/30/2020.

Xandon Keating, Community Economic Development presented information on the recertification of the Downtown Redevelopment area. See video on the CED website for more information.

- Most of the area in Roosevelt north of Fillmore has been removed.
- Community member has asked that their property be added to the RDA, if there are other boundary changes wanted, let CED know asap as it will go to council on June 3rd.
- There may be some properties that lose incentives by being removed from the RDA- some properties which may benefit from incentives that make adaptive reuse more feasible.
- New “plan” will be developed. Existing plans (A&C, HP overlay) will be considered and there are two categories of plan elements to address sub-area fine-grain needs.

Hance Park:

- Hargreaves presented updated drawings of Phase 1A to HPC, which is under contract and construction.
- There are concerns that the temporary condition of the escarpment will not be ADA accessible on the west end due to stairs. The east end will be ADA compliant.
- Suggestions to move the escarpment to future phase, shorten or reduce the height. Some community members are in support of the stairs staying as currently planned. The current plan is under contract so those changes are likely not possible.
- RAA should closely review future phases to make design suggestions. One concern is lack of north/south paths through the park.

Transportation:

- Construction on 3rd/5th began yesterday (Monday 5/18/2020) at 5th Ave & Van Buren. Construction hours are 6am- 4pm. Notice was received Friday 5/15 4:30 pm. Roosevelt Street bike lane striping is complete, crosswalk at 2nd & Roosevelt is under construction.

- Grade changes at some alley/sidewalk intersections are not ADA compliant. Bill to follow up with streets. There are some additional sidewalk stamps that may be threatened, people should identify them.

Supporting the community- consider little library, support local businesses via DTPHX.org or other links

Board position is open. Christa resigned her role as Secretary, so that officer position is open. Per bylaws, board to identify process for special election, will do in coming weeks.

Volunteers welcome for block captains, community directory, grant program.
See you at the next neighborhood meeting: Tuesday June 16th. No July meeting.

For residents, sign up for membership, receive a newsletter and with comments/ concern email to info@RooseveltNeighborhood.org.

Adjourn 7:17