Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council Minutes – April 16, 2024 Meeting Zoom

The meeting was called to order by Carol Tomsic on Zoom at 6:03 p.m.

Attendance

Members – Carol Tomsic, Sally Phillips, Carol Landa-McVicker, Ruth Mincks, Hank Reimann, Marilyn Reimann, William Bidowski, Teresa Bidowski, Shawn Terjeson, Jessica Atkins, Marcia Milani, Charles Milani, Shirley Roberts-Downey, Dan Pearson, Joe Koczarski, Brian Walker, Claire Beagle, Monica Cadagan, P's iPhone, George Thomsen, Joan Zimmer, Mackenzie Adkins, Angus Angermeyer, Kristina Smith, Mallory, Patrick, Danny Pearson, Erin, Jesse, Bill Doley, Nikalous.

Guests - Inga Note, Adam Miles, Bob Scarfo, Paul Dillon, Karen Mobley

Nature Day in Lincoln Park – Karen Mobley

Karen was introduced and gave an over day of the May 11, 9-2 Event in Lincoln Park sponsored by Spokane Urban Nature (SUN). The purpose of the event is to advocate for Lincoln Park as well as preserving natural habitat and connectivity of wildlife corridors throughout Spokane.

- The event will include plant, moth and bird identification walks, and sketching.
- She also mentioned that SUN is supporting the transfer of DNR Trust Land on Thorpe Road to the Parks Department or local Tribes to preserve the acreage for public use.

Public Memory Garden – Bob Scarfo

Landscape Architect, Bob Scarfo presented the plan to locate a Public Memory Garden on the old zoo site in Manito Park.

- He showed pictures of Memory Gardens in other cities and at Providence Sacred Heart.
- The group is currently working with the City Park's Department and fundraising for the design phase of the project.
- Karen Mobley suggested that they form a 501 3c and get a written agreement with the Parks Dept.

Neighborhood Clean Up Day, April 24-25 – Sally Phillips

Sally gave an overview of this year's Neighborhood Clean Up Day.

- Two large items can be left on the curb for free garbage pickup.
- City dump passes are available for \$25 on the City website.

• The Council is asking for a fall furniture pick up day.

Community Engagement Grant – Marilyn Douglas

- Marilyn presented an update on the Community Engagement Grant the purpose of which is to promote community engagement.
- In the past the grant has helped pay for such things as street banners, a table at the South Perry Market (which is not being held this year), and our Zoom Account.
- The grant is for \$800 and projects will be voted on at the May Council meeting.
- Karen Mobley reported that she met with the parents from Franklin School who are proposing a mural on the picnic shelter in Lower Lincoln Park.

Altamont Loop Traffic Study Update – Inga Note and Adam Miles

Inga and Adam gave an update on the Altamont Loop Traffic Study which incorporated suggestions from the March 19 special meeting. The updated plan will be available on the City website.

- There was discussion regarding the impact on property owners landscaping if sidewalks are installed on 11th and Fiske.
- At this point, the project, if approved by City Council, would be on the Cycle 13 (2025) construction list. There was discussion of strategies to fast track the project without supplementing projects already approved.
- The Council will vote on a resolution at the May meeting advocating for making this a top priority for our neighborhood.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m. Next meeting May 21, 2024 at the Southside Center

Respectfully submitted, Carol Landa-McVicker, Secretary