

FVCC Board Meeting
3/7/24; 7:00-9:00 PM
Fairview Recreation Center

Meeting called to order 7:12

Attending: Allen Kemplen, Dave Rittenberg, James Thornton, Sharon Chamard, Kelly Ittenbach, Denise Janson, Janel Walton, Rene Kennicott, Kaleb Cabrera, Mikea Fulton, Jim Renkert (3rd Ave Radicals). **via Zoom:** SJ Klein, Suzi Alexander

Executive Board Reports:

James Thornton: no report. Reconnecting Fairview coordination meeting at Fairview Rec. Center on 11th 5-6:30pm.

Kelly Ittenbach: 2 resolutions posted to federation website: 2024-02 & 2024-03

Sharon Chamard: no treasury report. attended some design week functions.

Dave Rittenberg: started attending HAND commission meetings, replacing SJ Klein. Group went over purpose of commission. Hopes to facilitate public process. One action item is to go back to assembly members to ask how commission can be useful. Mayor introduced new homeless camping rules. Curious about allowed camping places.

Allen Kemplen: HAND= housing and neighborhood development. Commission can have key role in key decision making process. Would be nice to start conversation up again and have folks talking about neighborhood development.

Sharon: propose HAND commission propose where camping can be. New rules might incentivize new shelters so unsanctioned homeless camps can't exist within 100 square blocks.

Dave: Resource Center celebrated 1st birthday. Close to 22,000 front door entries ; 500 showers for the year. First year was about building relationships. This year asking for more outcome data to quantify impact of resource center.

Presentations:

Jim Renkert (3rd Ave Radicals): Any questions about resolution 2024-03?

Janel: My understanding is that the solar panels are against code

Jim: If to go forward, yes, would need zoning change, but we're exploring both solar panel and RV Park ideas.

Janel: Downtown Community Council president was approached about that property and about creating a trail system and there were organizations that were willing to put some money into helping create bike trails and creating a temporary motorhome facility there, but then the Port came in with the solar panel idea. It sounds like the Downtown Council was hoping to do a temporary connection with the trail system or creating a temporary RV Park which fits zoning for temp usage. ACDA ready to put \$\$ into it.

Allen: Concept of site activation. Couple of ideas put forward to address concern: Railroad introduced solar panel idea Community Development Authority's idea for an RV park. Sylvia (president of Downtown Council) called me and I went to their meeting. They introduced proposal to do something at that site.

Jim: Wanted to present resolution to the Downtown Council last night, but they postponed their meeting. My understanding is that neither proposal will come about this summer.

Janel: ACDA said Allen said no to RV proposal which could have happened this summer and therefore nothing is going to be done there.

Allen: What I DID say, is that any development should include a trail to connect with the Fairview greenway. Mike Robbins (exec director ACDA) has been tasked by the mayor to move forward but there were challenges to making it work in terms of code issues and administrative hurdles.

Jim: Assembly person killed RV park proposal 2 years ago, but now DCC interested again in proposal, but the meeting schedules didn't allow for anything to happen this year. There also has to be public process and grant money.

Allen: There has not been enough time to go through the process. Radicals wanted to start dialog and get process going by entering resolution to Fairview Council.

Sharon: It's important to recognize that as soon as the resolution was introduced, it became OUR resolution. We can change the resolution at the executive board and revise; we have an amendment on the floor. It's up to the DCC to do what they want. Our role is to support them.

Janel: Want to tweak resolution to encourage some form of activation of 3rd Ave site as soon as possible this summer.

Sharon: I make a motion to amend resolution.

Kelly and Dave: seconded motion.

No opposition to amended resolution. S version of resolution passed.

March general meeting agenda items:

2 presentations: Lindsey on Design Week & Reconnecting Fairview update (HDR)
Resolution 2024-03S

Allen: 2 presentations in April - Mr. King: Utilities, Alice Horazdosky: pilot project by muni traffic engineer to mark out a bike lane on either 5th or 6th Ave.

Update by Nicolette Dent: Eastchester Creek master plan approval planned for this year. Researching creek realignment cost estimates and playground concepts.

SJ Klein report: spoken to everyone who wants to run for positions and what jobs are:

James offered to run for president. Roger Briley also???

VP: Bryan Hawkins & another person (or member at large)

Secretary: Kelly

Treasurer: Sharon

At large: (see chat for list) Mikea, Rob Seay, and current at large members

Denise stepping off the board

Vote is by secret ballot traditionally counted by assembly members whom I will invite. Will be blanks for write ins. Will ask folks questions if multiple candidates running.
Sharon: Will set up a poll on Zoom. Don't know if there is a way to have write in candidates on Zoom. Will look into it.

James: Need to address voting by proxy via Zoom.

SJ: No proxy voting allowed. A business person can have alternative vote for them, but that's not proxy voting. Will email list of folks running to make sure everyone that is running is on the list.

Dave: Could do non-anonymous polling online.

Sharon: Will investigate it. Will figure out logistics of Zoom.

It was agreed that elections should be after presentations on meeting agenda.

Allen: HOME initiative by coalition is open for comments: if interested in homelessness, you should be engaged in initiative.

AARP submissions for grants deadline yesterday. I made nomination on behalf of the council. In May results will be announced.

Forrest challenge grant applications open. 100% funded. One nomination I'm suggesting is going after tree funding and landscaping for Land Heritage land on 3rd Ave. Downtown CC to submit application since it's in their area.

Eastchester master plan effort id'd need for south side Chester Creek open flat area too noisy from Seward Hwy. plant trees along western boundary for noise buffer. Rogers Park likes the idea (in their council); they will formally submit.

Put in nomination for trees in median on 15th east of Medfra.

"Fairview green initiative" - improve and enhance Orca St...visual buffer between industrial land use and neighborhood. Request diagonal diverters, and landscaping east side Ingra St. Orca Park on 15th - put in noise berm and plant trees along the block for noise buffer and aircraft taxiing.

Looking into creating an "Arena area" to improve area around west Fairview.

SJ: Will figure out a date to introduce a motion to form bylaws Ad Hoc committee and be chair.

Meeting adjourned 9:11

