South Addition Community Council

Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 23, 2024, 7:00-8:30 pm Meeting held on Zoom

- 1. Call to order called to order at 7:01 p.m.
 - a. Approval of the agenda, Harry N, Deborah H
 - b. Approval of April 2024 Minutes, Harry N, Second Tamas D
 - i. Amendment: move to simplify the minutes' language surrounding the motion passed at the previous meeting

2. Standing Reports

- a. SACC President John Thurber
 - i. Next month will be board elections, FCC position and at-large position are both vacant – seeking nominations and if anyone is interested please reach out!
- b. Legislature: Representative Fields, & Senator Tobin
 - i. Senator Tobin:
 - 1. Please listen to most recent podcast that goes over the final weeks of session. This was the end of the 33rd legislature, so any bills not passed do not carry over to next years session. Next podcast episode will be about SB 140 regarding education funding.
 - 2. Secured with colleagues a \$175 million over the BSA funding for the upcoming year. Spending interim planning how we can move education funding and correspondence school fix.
 - 3. Senator will be travelling for state business for energy policy fellowships, child and maternal health policy, and emerging policy leaders programs
 - 4. Excited to see construents at community events downtown and around town please reach out and be in touch with our office over the interim.
 - ii. Rep Fields: No report.
- c. Mayor's Office: Trista Espe, No Report this meeting.
- d. Assembly:
 - i. Christopher Constant
 - 1. Next meeting is 5/31 to certify the election, proud of the turnout and the Clerk's office for running a good election. Went on walk with incoming mayor to discuss the transition
 - 2. Abatement process voted on at the last meeting, Constant was sole vote against due to staffing concerns
 - ii. Dan Volland:

- 1. Introduce new assembly aide, Makayla Wilson who will be helping do research and respond to constituent concerns
- 2. Ribbon cutting for the protected bike lane downtown will be on May 30th at Town Square Park at 5pm, will be thru September
- 3. City Nerd Night coming up at Akela Space re: transportation on May 30th as well
- 4. Public Hearing on June 11th regarding the HOME Initiative
 - a. Giving an update on how these policies will work with the planning and zoning policies
- 5. Question: Will there be a Q&A session regarding the HOME Initiative? A: For that initiative I have presented to SACC and other spaces.
 - Discussion on community questions and when/where people can have their concerns heard and addressed on contentious issues
- 6. Question: How do we report homeless camps?
 - a. There is still a form on the <u>muni.org/ancworks</u> will get the report in the system.
- 7. Question: At the Assmebly meeting, member Volland mentioned expository information regarding the HOMe initiative and I was wondering when we can expect to see those materials.
 - a. A: Our vote is June 11th and materials will be available
- e. Anchorage Fire and Police Departments
 - i. Anchorage Fire Department: No report
 - ii. APD: No report
- f. Anchorage School Board Dave Donley
 - i. No report
- g. Transportation Committee Anna Bosin
 - i. AMATs met with DOT to have a worksession on the federal safety improvement program you can see that worksession here.
 - ii. Protected bike lane as Member Volland said will be kicking off on May 30th! Data on use and noise will be collected.
- h. Neighborhood Plan Tamas Deak
 - i. Overview of the neighborhood plan process, the plan is currently with the Planning and Zoning Commission
 - 1. SACC will work with PZC over the summer to get the draft into the format needed the end of August is the current goal to be brought before PZC in October for public hearing

3. Council Business

a. Old Business

- i. Vehicle Noise Resolution, Hans Thompson
 - 1. Noise reached a peak in 2020, APD purchased new equipment and increased the fine to \$300 resolution to commend APD on their increased enforcement, and ask for further implementation
 - 2. Harry moves the resolution and Moira Smith seconds
 - 3. Resolution passes unanimously, 14Y
- ii. CIP Update, Harry Need and Anna Bosin, Deadline is the 31st to submit
 - 1. Projects brainstormed as an executive team
 - 2. If there are areas of South Addition that need attention, please email Harry and/or Anna! Examples are speed bumps, sidewalk improvements, snow storage plan.
 - 3. Motion to authorise the ad hoc CIP committee to submit our list on behalf of the community council, second from Tom
 - a. Unanimous consent, motion passes

b. New Business

- i. In Our Backyard Housing, Central Lutheran Church, Julie Graham
 - Central Lutheran is at 15th and Cordova. In listening to their neighbors both housed and unhoused – church leadership and attendees voted to support small scale housing in the large parking lot
 - a. High barrier shelter, 6-9 months. Deposits will be taken from occupants and returned when they transition elsewhere, fencing and security cameras will be present ACEH and CSS will help screen and identify good clients for these units and CSS will provide case management, and Bean's Cafe will be able to provide meals. 5-6 units, max 2 people per unit with their express consent.
 - b. Laundry services, four season shower trailer
 - c. Looking to welcome people by October, permitted by the Assembly on Tuesday
- ii. Federation of Community Councils, Arianna Bellizzi
 - 1. New executive director of the FCC, overview of the FCC's role and how it can assist the community councils
 - 2. New website, town hall series coming in the Fall
 - 3. Hiring for part-time office administrator
 - 4. Open to ideas for what resources and support community councils might need
- iii. Deborah Hansen, Community Forest/Garden Grant Proposal

- 1. Arbor Day Grant Application to plant spruce trees along the corner of L and 15th looking to replace the trees that were lost a few years ago. Muni owned land in the SOA right of way.
- 2. Motion to approve grant application, Harry moved, Pam T seconds and unanimous consent
- 4. Adjournment 8:30pm, meeting extended to 9pm (Motion by Mackenzie P, seconded by Tom B); moved to adjourn by Harry N and seconded by Trish O