

Minutes of the Fairview Community Council General Meeting 2/10/11
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Call to Order: 6:39

President's Report: Allen moved to have Darryl Hess audit the books of the FVCC. Seconded by Paul. Approved without opposition.

Michael Howard presented update to EB on feasibility study on upgrade for FV Rec Center. \$7,000 left in budget for study. \$63,000 was taken from the project by MOA. Elise Huggins of earthscape and Makers is available to work with council to achieve FVCC goals. Issue will be referred to neighborhood plan committee with a recommendation.
Change to agenda: Jocelyn Young will present on behalf of Muni with Jacques Boutet.

Secretary's report: S J presented Executive Board minutes for review and General Meeting minutes for review and approval. With amendments, the General Membership minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: \$1984.28 as of 2/10/11 6pm

Community comments and concerns:

Allen: Fur Rendez-vous: snow sculpture will execute the new proposed gateway element.

Geoffrey: Will destroy the data of his survey on 2/15/11.

Legislative Reports:

Patrick Flynn: Cordova Center ordinance has been introduced for P&Z review Monday 2/14, and Assembly 2/15. AWWU and MLP ordinance to be introduced 2/15 to make board more accountable to the Assembly re: policy and rate changes. Road bonds ballot includes 9th Ave completion. Universal ID check also on ballot. Disabled Vet widow property tax exemption also on the ballot. ACLU Lawsuit/Homeless eviction issue was discussed. APD officer on trial was also discussed. Snow removal: There is an online form at street and maintenance website to request snow removal. Budget surplus was discussed re: cold weather emergency shelter program. Flynn reports that there is no correlation between the two. Actual amount of surplus is a matter of debate. Police and Fire Academy are priorities.

Darryl Hess promises a five day homeless camp solution that the ACLU will agree to.

Sharon reports that Gara and Ellis are not in attendance however they will have constituent barbeques in April (?)

Presentations:

Jacques Boutet: presented on the gateway project at 13th and gambell. Warranty phase by spring. Additional dollars from Juneau for enhancement/gateway element. Issues: Project was "forward funded" by \$230,000 to DOT. Potentially \$80K unspent, and could be applied to this part of the project. Would double the construction budget for gateway element, but is not for sure. Current planning would exclude this funding for 2011 completion. If gateway completed, it is dedicated state grant, should stay in Fairview. Suggested from the floor to apply pressure through Ellis and Gara. 13th Ave bus stop, moved to east of Gambell, resulted in handshake agreement for landscaping in front of Nvision building. VF Grace property taken creates dry spot for loitering under building. New landscaping would be less hospitable. Jacques believes our best bet is to recover the money, then deal with the issues.

Ralph Rentz: Dept Public Works- thicket roses and rocks on VF Grace, possibly new trees. Nvision/busstop: more ornamental fencing and landscaping. Gateway element was discussed.

Jocelyn Young, MOA curator: Opportunity and funding for an art project to be produced by September, provided we had a committee in place. Funding is reasonable to happen within the budget.

Discussion from the floor: that \$100k was allocated for the gateway element specifically, and that the other "obligations" should not come out of this fund. Jacques suggested he could use help finding the amount DOT owes MOA for the project. Mike Byers is the contact point at DOT.

It was pointed out that the Junipers are getting trampled. Jacques mentioned there is a maintenance period for fixes on MOA projects. DOT does not have this kind of maintenance period.

Someone suggested taller columnar aspen trees are better for median.

Another suggestion that improvements be "easy to clean"

An inquiry was made about about trash at the busstops. Jacques will speak with Randy Burke at transit about trash collection amenities. Jacques will report back to Sharon.

Sharon asked for an ad-hoc gateway element committee: Geoffrey, Allen, Karen, Christopher, Michael (in absentia) volunteered.

Jocelyn reported that our paintings are back!

Russ Sawzall (MOA Department of Public Works) and Steve Kari, USKH: presented on 9th Ave reconstruction . Snow removal is potentially an issue. Some medians will be redone. Should start May 15th, heavy lifting after the end of school. There will be no medians between cordova and Latouche due to snow removal and maintenance. 4-lane through Ingra/Gambell. 8' walkway

on north side. East of Ingra will be similar to today's layout. East of Ingra little improvements to walkways. Repaving, fixtures will be upgraded. Improved transit stops. Lights moved to North side, on 8' walkway. Signals replaced. Utility work for improvements (ML&P). Retaining walls and screening fencing improved. Gateway element with airport theme got lots of pushback from emergency services and maintenance. Element proposed to be removed from 9th and gambell/ingra in the last week. The removal of the element was questioned. 8' height requirement for AFD. Transition between south side pedestrian amenity and north side pedestrian will be at Cordova. Russ will address drainage at 9th and Medfra. Suggested that contacting the city manager's office re: gateway elements would be useful, as the directive was issued today and clarification is in order.

Committee Reports:

Neighborhood Plan Committee: MOA has issued RFP for engineering services for street and drainage: Cordova st. Pedestrian and bicycle study is included. Legislation for general funds for reserve fund for Knik Arm Crossing: KABATA has requested \$150,000,000. FHWA has approved a designation for KABATA as part of national highway system. KABATA proposes to terminate at the Ingra/Gambell couplet. Would add 40,000 daily trips to the traffic pattern. Congress is reauthorizing aviation trust fund. Merrill Field was included to allow debt forgiveness for improvements if DOT is involved. Impacts H2H significantly.

Old Business:

MOA's: Cook Inlet Housing Authority MOA: Amended in committee to give FVCC the FVCC acronym, dates changed to reflect date of signing (2010-2011 changed to 2011-2012) Move to accept MOA: Paul, Second: Darryl. in favor: 12, opposed: 0

BFS/CSS: Geoffrey moved, Darryl seconded. Kaye Gayuske wishes it entered into the record that she supports the memorandum. in favor: 14 opposed: 0

Second reading of FVCC 2011-01: Allen will abstain from the vote. 5 in favor, 3 opposed, 2 abstentions

New business: 2011-02 Chris moves, Nan seconds. Referred to neighborhood plan committee.

Ron: moves for letter of support to the first lady's committee to recommend Sharon for volunteer of the year. Also a request to Patrick Flynn, Les Gara and Johnny Ellis to write letters. Nan seconds. Motion passes with unanimous consent. Susan B. will write a letter too.

Nan: Walk through of ruralcap's 7plex? SJ will follow up.

Geoffrey moves bylaws amendment. Ron seconds. Referred according to the bylaws.

adjourned at 8:40 Chris, Nan 2nd.