

# Downtown Community Council

## Minutes

Wednesday, 04 January 2016 @ 5:30

Meeting called to order.

Minutes of November meeting were motioned, seconded, and approved. Adding update with marijuana and alcohol committee to the agenda was also motioned, seconded and approved and added to the agenda.

Joshua mentioned the Assembly was in the middle of several issues. Patrick Flynn is aware of the issues that downtown is facing and welcomes any feedback or helpful information.

No representative for the mayor's office report was available.

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A brief overview of the Marijuana and Alcohol Committee was presented. VP Gallagher said the board met to discuss structuring and implementation of the committee and that no actions were voted upon or anything approved or denied. President Hester mentioned that is a brainstorming session by the executive board that was given notice to the community and that the next Marijuana and Alcohol meeting in February planned to address any concerns info.

Russ Reno brought up the concern that there were different bylaws on the website and what the council handed out at the previous meetings. President Hester clarified by saying the bylaws that were last approved by the council had been sent to Ombudsman and the Clerk for feedback, to which they gave some, and President Hester then incorporated that feedback into the bylaws to present at the next community council. Russ stated that he wanted clarification on what the dtcc had been following and why they differed. President Hester said that they are still in draft mode and were currently awaiting feedback from the Ombudsman and Muni Clerk for the second time, but that any final bylaws would be presented to the council first before they were officially adopted.

### *Christianson Site Plan Application:*

A short presentation was given by Tony Hoffman for a proposed housing project in the Ship Creek Area, at the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Christensen. The project is for a 28 unit condominium style development, located at the old GSA site. They will be applying for the project under the "Old Code" site plan provisions. TBC presented a preliminary site plan for reference and handed out supporting material to the council. There were some questions asked regarding the longevity of the permit and planning.

### *New Business:*

Anchorage Youth Court brought up concerns about the marijuana establishments and how it might effect the area. Wiley Brooks, downtown business owner brought up concerns about his commercial estate behind Pio and Gaslight and that it was mostly used for lawyers, but the high parking costs are deterring clients in addition to other factors. Alison from Covenant House stated she wanted to have more info and be involved in the marijuana and alcohol committee downtown.

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