(approved) LICTON SPRINGS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Community Meeting, October 19, 2016 NSCC Campus, OCE&E Building, Room 220B ATTACHMENTS

<u>Directors Present</u>: Ellen Beck, Jan Brucker, Melanie Davies, Tom Meyer, Mindy Lee Irvine, Kay Mesirow, and Kathleen Braden.

<u>Visitors</u>: Jessica Chandler from Seattle University, Jada Brazil, Walter Williams

Board President Jan Brucker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and we had introductions around the table.

Minutes. The September 21, 2016 minutes were approved.¹

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>. Marie Oliver had emailed a treasurer's report (attached). M/S/A acceptance as distributed.

Presentation

Jessica Chandler of Seattle University is working with the Seattle Police Department to evaluate the micro-community policing plan and would like as many people as possible to fill out the public safety survey (attached announcement, website http://publicsafetysurvey.org/index.html). This is the second round of the survey and results will be compared to last year's.

Agenda Items

(1) Melanie reported on status of Halloween-in-the-Park October 31 4:30-6:30. The group expressed hope that the chain link fence around play area will be down in time for the event. More volunteers are still needed. Melanie reported on increasing complexity of getting donations from traditional sources such as Fred Meyer, Costco, QFC. She will send out a summary of event status and what we might consider doing in the future. Mindy took posters to distribute in the neighborhood. Eight gallons of cider are still needed and Jan will help on procuring that. Jan also reported on ALUV's first ever Halloween celebration at the Lantern on the 29th from 2-4 PM. Mindy noted her hopes that we might approach some Aurora merchants in the future to be sponsors of our party and she also

¹ Secretary's note: subsequent to approval of the Sept 21 minutes, the website for Block the Bunker was noted as https://blockthebunker.org/.

showed a sign people can display indicating they are a trick-or-treater friendly household in the neighborhood.

(2) The group discussed the possible reprinting of the Scott Souchock-designed brochure on Licton Springs history and after discussion, decided we had not yet reached a firm decision about whether to go ahead, particularly given the cost estimate of \$500. Tom raised the issue of seeking sponsorship. Jan and others noted that this had been a valuable tool for introducing the neighborhood to people at various venues. Mindy and Kathleen wondered if the cost was worthwhile in view of other outreach methods now. Kathleen reminded the group she had sent around a memo on the need for a communication plan and can re-send it. Jade Brazil, attending from the neighborhood, noted technology tools for linking outreach.

Mindy, Marie, Tom, and Kathleen will from a task force to consider strategy for community outreach. Jada said she might be able to assist with various platforms for communication.

- (3) Mindy discussed the Licton Lights event in the park over the holidays sponsored by Epic Life Church and involving lights on some trees and other areas, cocoa, and treats. This will probably be for the second Sat in December (10th) and early so as not to conflict with timing of Green Lake lights event. Mindy would like to ask people to volunteer to help and contribute LED lights to the effort. She will send Kathleen information and contact to distribute a request for help to our email list.
- (4) The group noted that the revision of by-laws had not yet been completed.
- (5) Jan reported on Northgate Light Rail Station and Pedestrian Bridge. A letter was sent from Scott Kubly, Director of Dept of Transportation for City of Seattle (Attached) to the Northgate community but LSCC did not receive a copy directly even though the Council has been quite involved in the planning effort and we had been part of a group of community organizations that had sent a letter to Kubly in July (Attached). The group discussed lack of clarity re current status of the bridge and dissatisfaction with Kubly in terms of clear communication. It also noted two recent bicycle accident tragedies in the area that spoke to the need to a spotlight on issue of pedestrian and bike safety around new light rail area. Council members also expressed dissatisfaction at Debra Juarez's lukewarm responsiveness to community groups.

Visitor Questions and Concerns

Jada Brazil and Walter Williams attended and brought up informational queries about outreach. Jada, who had attended in Sept., has followed up by volunteering for DESC (Downtown Emergency Services Center) at Aurora House (10507 Aurora Ave N), where Rachel Long has now taken over as manager. Jada noted that Aurora House is looking for other helpers and community members to interact with residents or offer skills for training



and enrichment.

(http://www.desc.org/documents/Aurora Supportive Housing Info Sheet v3.pdf) The next orientation Is November 19 from 10-11:30 AM downtown.

(6) added agenda item: Kathleen noted the revocation of LSCC tax exempt status, discovered by Melanie when she had contacted a potential sponsor. Kathleen and Marie have been following up. It appears to be because of failure to file 990 forms. Kathleen will obtain details about process of reinstatement and contact LSCC directors.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM. Next meeting November 16 at 7 PM. There is no meeting in December.

Submitted for approval by Kathleen Braden, Secretary

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