

City Park Neighborhood Advisory Committee

September 20th, 2016

6:00-7:30pm

Denver Museum of Nature and Science, Harry T. Lewis Room

Members:

- *City Council District 9 Office – Val Hearne*
- *City Park Alliance – Greg Davis*
- *City Park Friends and Neighbors – Hank Bootz*
- *East High Neighbors – Tony Vaida*
- *Greater Park Hill – Rebecca Born*
- *City Park West – Mary Therese Anstey*
- *South City Park – Brian Friel*
- *Whittier – Ben Chenard*
- *Uptown on the Hill - Alison Torvik*
- *PRAB – Andy Sense*

George Evans – DMNS / SCFD

Megan Defner – Denver Zoo

Albus Brooks – District 9

Michael SAP – Mayor’s Office

Paula Purifoy – First Tee

Agenda:

George Evans (SCFD)

- District (multi-county) levies a fee to support art and cultural facilities
- Funding is governed by a board of directors and all activities are transparent
- Currently the SCFD generates \$1.8B in economic activity
- There is a vote on SCFD coming up (4B). The vote extends the SCFD to 2030, which would have otherwise sunset in 2018

- The idea of SCFD is to provide access... especially for those underserved... and it goes beyond free days to exhibits, camps, and scholarships
- The bill will reallocate some funds from Tier 1 to lower Tier (smaller organization) members

Councilman Albus Brooks:

- Happy to be back
- He appreciates CPNAC
- Let him know what he needs for CPNAC /
- Albus is now the president of City Council which could enable some things to get more to the forefront (especially on the macro scale)

Andrew Sense:

- One year ... time for by-laws, discussions, reflection
- We have innovative ideas for how to engage with City Park in a placemaking effort
- In some white paper, Andrew would want to make sure that it addresses inequities in access

Michael Sap:

- Encouraged to work with the office of special events
- A white paper could be a good topic / Albus supports this
- Incentive based is a good idea related to events
- Grace is a good contact
- What we want is to have a process that is consistent with

Albus – People in the city will embrace innovative thinkers and concepts... if we can get ahead of the curve and come up with solutions Let's facilitate a meeting with all of the people at the table

Greg Davis (CPA) is annoyed with construction on Harrison Avenue. This isn't on the circulation plan and replicates the entrance on Garfield Avenue. CPNAC should be informed as new impervious surfaces in the park are not ok, especially when they conflict with the circulation plan. New construction that doesn't comport with existing plans is a concern... If we're creating design standards for the park, how can we be assured that they will be met in the future?

Andrew –

- Sees pedestrian infrastructure as a key course in the golf course that is not being addressed from the neighbors
- Meeting is tomorrow
- Albus notes that there is a need for a high quality golf course designer... also, where there is success in a project, we can communicate that well

*** We all need to communicate the need for pedestrian access in the golf course at every possible outlet

- Paula – sees the concept that a through passage through City Park golf course from the north to south is a distinct possibility within the golf course design

Alison – Raise the Roof (fundraising campaign) for the (RaisetheRoof.org)

**** We should all post a link to www.helpraisetherooft.org

Megan (Denver Zoo) –

- Public art meeting on October 12 talking about the zoo interface... be there!
- I heart DenZoo campaign starts soon... if interested, talk to Megan
- Washed Ashore art exhibit is opening up... Opening event this Friday and it will run until January
- The tiger exhibit is delayed... looking to open in Spring, 2017

DMNS:

- Extreme mammals exhibit opens on Friday
- Mummies exhibit opens October 14

Greg is going to be outlining parts of the Ecological Master Plan with the City Park Alliance in the upcoming month

*** Next meeting will be at the Denver Zoo

Paula (First Tee) - Fundraising luncheon will be 12-1 at Wellshire on Wednesday, November 2

What to do about upcoming meetings?

- November meeting is not Thanksgiving week
- No meeting in December
- Start back up in January

Placemaking:

- Greg wrote an article on the CPA web site outlining concepts of placemaking
- Andrew is interested in the placemaking via the P.S. You are Here grant
- Deadline is September 30
- We are going to follow up on this

*** Rebecca will lead a white paper for circulation

