

## City Park Neighborhood Advisory Committee

January 24, 2017

6:00-7:30pm

Denver Zoo

### Members:

- *City Council District 9 Office – Val Schwebach*
- *City Park Alliance – Greg Davis*
- *City Park Friends and Neighbors – Hank Bootz*
- *East High Neighbors – Tony Vaida*
- *Greater Park Hill –*
- *North City Park – Kyle Shelton*
- *South City Park – Michelle Reichmuth*
- *Whittier – Ben Chenard*
- *Uptown on the Hill - Alison Torvik*
- *PRAB – Andy Sense*
- *City Park West - Mary Therese Anstey*

Members in attendance: Val Schwebach, Greg Davis, Vicky Eppler (representing CPFAN), Michelle Reichmuth, Alison Torvik, Andy Sense, Mary Therese Anstey, Megan Deffner, Peggy Day, Paula Purifoy

- Greg (CPA) sent out a petition to name the City Park Bandshell after Gerald Endsley. CPA would like to submit the petition to the Parks and Rec. Advisory Board at their March 8 meeting. Greg will send out a copy of the petition to each of the members at the meeting and is requesting that each RNO provide a letter of support. Greg will Email Adrienne (Denver Parks) and Parks and Rec Advisory Board with a notification of intent to provide the petition at the March Advisory Board meeting.
- RPM Events Group talking about a new bike race/festival. They are not looking to make money, but create a great event. RPM = "Race Party Meeting". The race will be the "Colorado Classic" on August 11-13. A presentation was provided. Race starts in Colorado Springs and goes to Breckenridge then Denver (RiNo) and a downtown circuit (RiNo). 4 stages. There is an after party in RiNo which will charge admission. There will be a fee to see the race at key spots, but there will not be a fee to see the races at all areas. A portion of proceeds will go to Bicycle Colorado. The Denver race will be on Sunday in the afternoon starting at 2pm and will be roughly 2-6. Assuming progress is made as planned, formal announcements and specifics will come out in March. Door hangers will be

provided in the vicinity of the race. We will provide our Email addresses so volunteers/messaging can be provided. Traffic and parking are always a concern, so addressing that in terms of alternative transportation and notification are good. The admission will be in RiNo. Visitors can see the event in City Park for free. Tickets will start at \$25 and will go to \$35.

- Adrienne Burton is moving to the west to be the westside parks planner. Kelly Ream is taking over as the east-side parks planner. The master plan is moving forward. Andy will be on that committee and will be providing updates. Greg will put CPNAC in touch with Rebecca Born and Sierra Fleener.
- PS You are Here grant was accepted (yay!). It will be a tribute to East High School graduate Neal Cassady. Andy will send out info. about the Neal Cassady birthday this February at the Mercury Café. We will use "rainworks" paint to include quotes in the park and will post clues online and elsewhere. CPA will be a fiscal intermediary. Greg will post information on the CPA web site. CPNAC will need to match the grant in-kind through labor. Perhaps we could get East High school or DSA involved. Keeping this as a multi-day event would help with placemaking.
- Golf course meeting is Jan. 31.
- First Tee... Still 2<sup>nd</sup> largest chapter in the US... served 5,000 kids this year. Spring registration is open (there is financial aid available). Feb. 7/14 open houses at Ellis Elementary.
- Denver Zoo finished their audit successfully. The tiger exhibit grand opening will be March 17. The public solicitation for art at the W2E building is closed. 300+ applicants applied from around the globe. The next step is to bring it down to 3-5 proposals.
- Denver Museum – new Imax movie coming out called "Dream Big" on Feb. 17. Girls in Science event on March 4. March 10 new Vikings exhibit is opening. Museum will be having a neighborhood open house in the near future. We will get an invite.
- PRAB – not too much specific to City Park this month. There was a presentation on the Outdoor Downtown initiative... a park for everyone within a 3-minute walk. Golf Course re-design priorities have been set. Andy will send out a summary Email to the group. Andy conveyed the message that CPNAC would like to see a design. The design workgroup will be able to see designs before

they are finalized, but any input from RNOs would need to focus concerns through the workgroup. The selection committee arrived at three finalists who will present their bid later this spring. Andy indicated that all the applicants were incredibly strong and every one of them could demonstrate experience with projects very similar to the City Park GC project where the course dual purpose of stormwater detention AND serving as a golf course. There are some world class golf course architects involved and Andy feels optimistic that we will get a very good product out of whichever company is ultimately chosen.

- CPA is looking for board members. Their next board meeting is on Jan. 31 at Bogeys at 6pm.

#### **Agenda:**

1. Introductions
2. RPM Events Group – New Pro Bike Race/Festival
3. Update on “Literary Hide and Seek”/PS You Are Here
4. Institutional Updates:
  - o Zoo
  - o Museum
  - o First Tee
  - o PRAB

- CPGC ReDesign Workgroup

## 5. Open Discussion