

OTR South SID Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, March 23, 2023

Location: 3CDC

Attendance:

Board of Trustees: Greg Olson • Andy Hutzel • Bob Deck • Dan Baranowski • Robbie Wellington • Marc Von Allmen

3CDC Staff and Guests: Tim Szilasi • David Vissman • Marissa Reed • Jenni Wuestefeld • Sara Bujas

Greg Olson, acting Chair, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2023, meeting and the motion passed to approve the minutes.

Finance and Administration

Tim Szilasi gave an update on the OTR South SID budget, reporting actuals through the end of 2022. Next Mr. Szilasi shared 2023 projections and actuals through end of February. Mr. Szilasi then reviewed the OTR District Management results through the end of 2022 along with actuals through February of 2023 and projections for remainder of the year. Finally, Mr. Szilasi shared the ambassadorial hours from 2022 and through February 2023.

Public Safety

David Vissman shared a map of current hotspots in OTR. The committee discussed a new area of concern around Vine and Central Parkway. Next Mr. Vissman shared the status of the Ziegler Park expansion with the expected completion date of May 1st. Next the Committee discussed safety concerns throughout the Main Street corridor and proposed solutions to the problem. The possibility of changing the street to two-way was discussed. This change could be beneficial to the are however it was noted that it would not be a short-term solution as it would take studies and extensive planning to make that change.

Stakeholder Services

Sara Bujas gave a detailed explanation of the Queen City Card and plans to focus on redemption of the cards. Ms. Bujas then shared statistics for redemptions in 2022 vs. 2023 with a notable increase for 2023.

Environment

Marissa Reed reviewed the snow removal statistics for the winter and advised new equipment had been purchased to help with snow removal on wider sidewalks. Ms. Reed then shared the plans for tree mulching in the neighborhood with plans to complete before Red's Opening Day. The committee discussed tree health around 13th and Main. Next Ms. Reed introduced the traffic box wrap program and shared the area in OTR where the wraps would be installed. She then reviewed volunteer projects planned for the spring and asked the board for recommendations for potential partners for future projects. Ms. Reed shared the results from Streatery inspections held in January. Overall, the Streateries were in good condition. Reports will go out to the individual businesses with the recommended maintenance outlined for them. Finally, Ms. Reed shared statistics for total homelessness and chronically homeless. Mr. Vissman shared the available services for the homeless population and the introduction of 2 full-time senior outreach case managers to serve no more than 10 clients and provide more specific needs assessments and services. Mr. Vissman gave an update on the plans for potential new facilities for the chronic homeless clients. Finally, Mr. Vissman concluded with an update on spring events at Washington Park, Ziegler Park, and Imagination Alley.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting and properly seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.