

OTR South SID Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, September 23, 2023

Location: 3CDC

Attendance:

Board of Trustees: Greg Olson • Bobby Maly • Andy Hutzel • Dan Baranowski • Robbie Wellington • Anthony Maieron • Greg Badger • Jim Price

3CDC Staff and Guests: Tim Szilasi • David Vissman • Marissa Reed • Jenni Wuestefeld • Joe Rudemiller • Alex Martin

Bobby Maly, Chair, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order Thursday, September 23, 2023, at 4:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the minutes from the June 22, 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 August 2023 and projections through end of the year. Mr. Szilasi then reviewed the OTR District Management results through end of July 2023 and projections for remainder of the year.

Joe Rudemiller reviewed the schedule for the next OTR South SID renewal. Finally, Mr. Szilasi gave an update on the ambassadorial hours to date compared to budget.

Public Safety

David Vissman reviewed the map of current hotspots in OTR. He indicated the areas of most concern continue to be Ziegler Park and Main Street. The Committee reviewed the issues in the area and Mr. Vissman described some of the plans to help deter the negative activity. Greg Olson introduced the Main Street Pop-up Shop Program and shared the locations the group was still trying to reach owners for participation. Mr. Rudemiller then shared the status of the applications and initial businesses chosen for the pop-up program.

Environment

Mr. Vissman shared stats on the number of hours the ambassador team has spent on clean-up related to late night vending merchants. Mr. Olson also shared concerns over the problems these merchants were creating. Solutions to the issues were discussed by the Trustees. Next Marissa Reed shared an update on lighting outages across the downtown and OTR areas. Ms. Reed noted that some outages take longer to be repaired due to scheduling conflicts with Duke manholes and streetcar crews. Ms. Reed then shared the results from a recent sidewalk inventory. Ms. Reed explained the rating criteria and then discussed next steps to begin the repair of the most hazardous areas. Ms. Reed gave a brief update on the tree planting schedule. Finally, Ms. Reed discussed some challenges facing the GeneroCity 513 program and plans to mitigate those challenges.

Development Updates

Mr. Rudemiller shared an update on the proposed Findlay Community Center which included floor plans and potential funding sources for the project.

New Business

The Board discussed the feasibility of adding a northern section to the SID. Ultimately, the board decided to wait until the next renewal to try to extend the SID north of Liberty. Board members noted that expanding the SID into other parts of OTR is a primary goal and value of the Board.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting and properly seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.