

Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2022

Opening

Karen Bergsvik called to order the regular meeting of the Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association's Board at 5:02 pm over Zoom on July 21, 2022. A quorum was established.

Board Members Present:

Karen Bergsvik - Chair

Deby DeWeese - Vice-Chair/Land Use Chair

Lowell Von Ruden -Treasurer/IT Communication

Robbie Silverman - Land Use Team

Paul Dieffenthaller - Land Use Team

Absent:

Melissa Stamm - Minutes (Minutes will be done from the recording.)

Additions To the Agenda: There were no additions to the agenda.

Approval of June minutes: Lowell made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Deby seconded, all in favor.

Actions Taken/Agreed to Be Taken

Outstanding Items from June Meeting

- Community garage sale September 17 and 18 SBNA doing - do we want to participate?

The Board discussed it and they will not participate this year and will focus on the General Meeting instead. The Board will connect with SBNA after the garage sale so they can make a decision about joining a future event.

- Webpages

Paul has worked with Lowell on learning and using the tool and has made changes to one of the pages. Paul will aim to have all the pages updated by the end of 2022.

- Annual meeting October 20 from 5:30-7:00 pm

Paul is still looking for a location. Karen suggested contacting Marnie Smith about using space at Old Mill. A budget still needs to be decided and the mailing will add to the costs of rental space, food and beverages (if the meeting is in person.). The Board discussed and agreed to shortening the meeting length to 1.5 hours (530-7pm). For the agenda, Paul wants someone from the city council to come talk about land development and the transportation study, followed by a question and answer session. Robbie suggested inviting mayoral candidates. Deby suggested having Killian come, and that they could set up stations of the different developments that are being built so it's more interactive. Paul suggested they could cover COID updates and short term rentals. The group discussed topics that would be compelling, interesting and valuable in order to gain buy-in of the members. Lowell will draft a survey of the top topics discussed above to find out what the existing members in the NA want to learn more about so the Board can better plan their meeting. The survey can also act as a "Save the Date".

COID Updates

- Status of Property Line Adjustments

The applications are still pending and nothing has been approved. Karen and Robbie met with Barb Campbell and Barb will be meeting with the Mayor and council members, and feels there is support for the city to follow their own rules. Barb will also meet with Colin Stevens and will then get back to Karen and Robbie. There isn't a set timeline for this but **Karen will send Barb a reminder.**

- Survey Results

The executive summary of the results is almost ready to be shared. The 3 NA's sponsored the survey so they can share the results publicly.

- Does Southern Crossing want to be a supporter of Save Bend Green Space?

SBGS met with Old Bend NA to discuss officially lending their support to the group with their efforts to preserve the land. SBGS plans to list the supporters of their cause on their website. Robbie will share the SBGS mission statement to get some feedback. Deby made a suggestion to add this as a survey question for the members to answer. Lowell and Karen agree with this idea. Lowell will add this into the newsletter so more information about SGBS;s mission can be included.

- Save Bend Green Space update

Discussed above.

Revised Killian Pacific/Box Factory Application

- Changes from the prior application

There are still questions that need to be answered. The design has changed significantly and will now be 2 U-shaped buildings with 493 parking spots, and the public wants less parking to encourage bicycle safety. The traffic report suggests 1,281 additional daily trips, with 102 being during evening peak times.

Does Southern Crossing want to make any comments?

Karen doesn't think the Board needs to make a comment, but there is a lot of material to go through to understand all of the changes. Deby suggested Killian or Michi should be invited to come explain some of the changes. **Karen will add this to the August agenda.**

Neighborhood Street Safety Program Update

- Woodriver Drive

Karen, Deby and Lowell met with the city engineer, Christian, and asked for the sidewalk to be moved to the opposite side of the road, which would then be the outside curve, to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety. Karen is also waiting to hear back on changing the yield signs to stop signs. Paul asked about the sewer update and if it will be done at the same time as the other work. Deby mentioned that it was going to be looked into but that the preference was to do it at the same time.

- Chamberlain

This project is slated to be done in 2024, with design work in 2023. Given the complexity of the intersections of Silver Lake/Reed Market Road and Chamberlain/Reed Market, Karen suggested that a meeting be convened to make sure all the City staff and the neighborhood association are on the same page in terms of this project.

Joint Storage Space- Do we want to continue to rent space with other neighborhood associations?

The space that is leased and shared with 2 other NA's is up at the end of September. Last year the Board paid \$1100 divided 3 ways, but the cost for October 1st is going up to \$1263 divided by 3. It is unknown at this time if the other NA's want to renew the lease. The proposed budget for 2022-2023 is the same as the last fiscal year and Lowell went over the anticipated expenses for the year. Robbie offered to store the contents of the storage unit in her shed. Deby made a motion to not renew the lease for the storage unit for 2022-2023.. Karen seconded, all in favor. Lowell will contact the other 2 NA's so they are aware. Robbie and Lowell will move the stuff to Robbies.

Reports

- **A. Chair:** Reports submitted before the meeting. There are 4 volunteers for the traffic committee and Paul is planning to facilitate the committee. The NLA is on hiatus for the time being.
- **B.** Vice-Chair/Land Use Reports submitted before the meeting. There is a public meeting for 9 townhouses on August 9 at 6pm that Deby can not attend. Robbie will attend in her absence. Deby will share the meeting info with Lowell so it can be posted on the website.
- C. Treasurer- Reports submitted before the meeting. The city funding for the 2022-2023 budget is about the same as last year, and with anticipated expenses based on last year, we would not have funds for general meeting expenses. Discontinuing storage will free some funds. The newsletter open and click performance is about the same. The recordings for the meetings could potentially be saved on Google Drive for a period of time. Karen will add this topic to the August agenda for discussion.
- **D.** Robbie Land Use Chair Networking Group Mill Terrace will have 2 car garages and they are adding surface parking. She was unable to attend the last Land Use Meeting, so there is no report on that meeting.
 - *E. Paul* Nothing more to add.