



## **Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**November 17, 2022**

#### **Opening**

Karen Bergsvik called to order the regular meeting of the Southern Crossing Neighborhood Association's Board at 5:03 pm over Zoom on November 17, 2022. A quorum was established.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Karen Bergsvik - Chair

Robbie Silverman - Vice-Chair/Land Use Chair

Lowell Von Ruden -Treasurer/IT Communication

#### **Others Present:**

Paul Dieffenthaller - Land Use Team

Monty McIntosh - Board member-elect

#### **Approval of the Minutes:**

There are no minutes from the October General Meeting, therefore there are no minutes to approve.

#### **Poll Results**

Amphitheater - Lowell shared the results of the concert survey. Of the 111 responses, the majority were from south of Reed Market and they shared that they heard the summer concerts either "clearly" or were "overpowered by the sound". The Amphitheatre is exempt from the city noise ordinance, but they do have to end the concert by 10 pm and keep the noise under a certain decibel level. The Amphitheatre is measuring the decibels on a regular basis to address the concerns. The group discussed who was doing the decibel readings and where from and that there could be variances in the readings. Paul will connect with Old Mill and possibly the city. Karen will get the survey data from Southwest NA. Karen will connect Paul with Marney Smith to discuss and share the survey results.

General Meeting - The meeting went well. The survey had 9 responses.

**Next Steps re: Amphitheater** - as discussed above.

### **Board officers, Recruitment for NLA rep and Board member**

Karen has resigned from the Board as of December 31, 2022 as she is moving out of the NA. Paul has agreed to take on the Chair position and needs to be appointed effective January 1, 2023 for a 1 year term. Lowell made a motion to appoint Paul as Chair effective January 1, 2023. Robbie seconded, all in favor. Karen is also the NLA rep for the Board and no one has stepped forward to take it on. The city will continue recruiting until the end of the year. The NLA is a 4 year term with meetings once a month where city wide issues that affect all 13 NA's are addressed.

### **Home Energy Score Program - summary of the presentation given to the NLA**

This program is being suggested by the Environment and Climate Committee of the City for each household to reduce their gas and pollution emissions. The score card report would be submitted to home buyers from the seller to show the improvements to their home. The estimated cost of an assessment will be \$150-\$275, but it will depend on how many people will be trained in doing these assessments. The effective date would be July 1, 2023. The Climate Committee feels this should be mandatory and that the city will set aside funds to cover the cost for low income households. There were some questions about how this would affect landlords and the current data from other cities. Karen will take the Board's comments back to the city council - "make it voluntary, free, educational, and to provide data as to the difference it makes along with a comparison to business and multi-family units."

### **Input as to what the Council should focus on in the next biennium**

This needs to be done by the next meeting, which is in December. The residents could be surveyed in the December newsletter prior to the meeting as to what the current goals and priorities are. Lowell and Robbie will coordinate the survey.

### **December meeting**

The Board decided to go have the regularly scheduled Board meeting on 12/15.

### **Items to discuss now or hold until January:**

Meetings in 2023 - physically meet or zoom or some combination? Sharing of what other neighborhood associations are doing to increase membership. Need a physical meeting location(s)

Other NA's have done in person/community outreach sessions to connect with potential members. The Board discussed the pros of physically meeting and they will discuss further as to locations and costs.

Do we want to participate with other NA's in Survey Planet - per Makayla's last email?

The Board agreed to participate as there is no out of pocket cost and they will see how they like what Survey Planet works and what it has to offer. Lowell will sign the NA up on Survey Planet.

Facebook - create new page

There is a need to see if Deby or Karen can pass access onto members of the Board. Robbie will walk Karen through the process. This will be re-added to the December agenda.

## **Reports**

### **A. Chair**

Karen has nothing additional to add at this time.

### **B. Vice-Chair/Land Use**

COID land - the property line adjustments were approved and the city has required a covenant which provides some protection to the land. There are some pros and cons to the long term plans and Robbie went through the key points with the Board. Robbie proposes that the 3 NA's send an update about the PLA's and the decision made about them and the covenant. The 3 NA'S have historically worked together and agreed upon the same wording for communication. A meeting for January will be planned.

### **C. Treasurer/IT**

Lowell explained the overall budget, minus the anticipated costs, and the money remaining for the 2022-2023 budget.

Lowell went over his monthly spreadsheet of the newsletter email list performance.

Lowell went over some operational accounts and procedures that have been updated now that Deby has left the Board and Karen will be leaving.

### **D. Paul**

Paul gave an update on the Transportation Team - The team will analyze the survey results at their December meeting, they recruited a new member, they secured 2 key city contact, and Paul will be on an advisory group for the Reed Market corridor.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm.