

**Morningside Area Community Council Monthly Meeting
January 6, 2016 Minutes
VFW Banquet Hall, Morningside**

I. Welcome and Introductions. Pledge of allegiance

II. Treasurer's Report. Balance was given, no new activity.

III. Secretary's Report. New Secretary is in possession of December Minutes of previous secretary.

IV. Elected Officials

- A. Dom Costa reported on state legislature, budget status, upcoming budget. MACC reflections and welcome to new board.
- B. Deb Gross raised issues she reviewed recently in Polish Hill and Bloomfield, in regards to the need for/concerns about rental registration. Targeted to address absentee landlords. Rental registration should not drive away responsible local landlords. Rewards for compliant landlords.

V. Public Safety

- A. Zone 5 officers presented. Detective and new CRO from Zone 1 in addition to Karen.
- B. Abandoned Cars: Concern about Monte Carlo was addressed. Registration was good. Buick LeSabre at the corner of Jancey and Baker, with Maryland plates.
- C. Street Safety: Speeding issues and stop signs are a question. Vic DeSantis and Novak.
- D. Shots fired in mid December and 911 wait times were discussed.

VI. Morningside School Development

- A. Laura Nettleton of thoughtful balance presented the project. 46 units, acceptance would be based upon income, but there may be market-rate units. Primarily it will be low-income senior. URA financing structure has changed.
- B. BK proposed community gardening.
- C. There were questions regarding traffic and parking. Garage doors. Traffic study was discussed. Public process was outlined. Concerns were raised by adjacent neighbors.
- D. Concerns regarding additional occupancy of the units was raised. Household must be age qualified. 2 week limit on guests, 40 hour per management on site.
- E. Leasing agent addressed whether Morningside residents could have any precedent. Not legally, but they could get on the waiting list before anyone else. The waiting list will be coordinated with MACC, and the community will be notified.
- F. The need for a neighborhood-wide traffic study to address the concerns raised that are outside of the purview of this project was discussed.

- G. Senior Center use was clarified. Intention continues to be that the senior center would be relocated there. Schedule was discussed. Application for tax credits go in in March and then the designers will come back to MACC in July before site plan review.

VII. Old business

- A. Heth's Run project status was briefly covered.

VIII. Mayor's Office updates

- A. Corey Buckner reported that abandoned car at Vilsack and Chislett has been reported and will likely be towed.
- B. Vacant lot adoption program was outlined, a guideline has been assembled to allow for legal trespass. They could be a flower garden, an edible garden, or a market garden.
- C. PA serves initiative was explained, it is a single point of contact for veteran's services. Snow plows and deployment were a question.
- D. Plow tracker app was discussed.
- E. Police officer numbers required by the city for the Morningside Mile have been addressed and it is being followed up on.

IX. New Business

- A. The MACC retreat previously scheduled for the 23rd, was rescheduled for the 16th at the Kelley Residence. All are welcome.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40.