

Cherokee Street CID Public Meeting Minutes

Date: January 17th, 2019

Time: 5:30pm

Location: Artist Art

Call to Order: 5:44pm

Roll Call and Updates: Will Liebermann, Mark Nevelow, Rebecca Bolte, Jason Deem, Jessie Chappell, Jessica Douglass, Kate Buress, Dasia Vence, Kaveh Razani- Board Members

Cara Spencer and Dan Guenther key points:

- 20th ward crime is down year to date, 20% decrease. Reduced vacancy south side 20% over the last 4 years. Big improvement!
- Airport privatization and STL: Not for Sale: last results 3 votes No, 2 votes yes. Dan discusses reissuing the bill and continuing collection of votes
- AirBnB short-term board bill 183
- City of STL equity study (available on the City of St. Louis website and Cherokee Business Facebook)
- Guardian Angel Settlement Association's move to Jefferson - major renovation with beautification and a parking lot. Expected opening: Fall 2019
- Cherokee and Louisiana mini traffic circle upgrade, focusing on safety for bike and pedestrian with green space and rain guards. In search of a green infrastructure maintenance agreement, the CID or a business to take care of the infrastructure. Currently at 30% of planning stage with maintenance agreement staying. "project for Louisiana, tower grove to Carondelet by bike path. Connect Cherokee and the business corridors, to Grand etc."

Benton Park- 0

Benton Park West

Gravois Park- Shirley Wallace moment of silence.

Marine Villa -0

Motion to approve previous meeting minutes: Jessie Chappell makes a motion, Jessica Douglass 2nd, all in favor 8. 1 opposed.

Financial report (Mark) -

- 2018 audit is complete. Costs to expect or keep in mind:
 - 2 diff security camera programs in 4 locations to work successfully will be quite high
 - Planters - the beautification committee budget
 - Branding for CID website + logo with Toky
 - RFT ads for Cherokee businesses
 - End of year update on business opening and closures.

Beautification:

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Planters: seeking residents and businesses to help maintain them

Potholes: call 3146224800 to directly be in touch for pothole fillings

Barb Potts discusses rehabbing progress, vacant lot/vacancy surveys in the 9th and 20th wards with progress in the 20th ward especially

Lisa Otke, SLDC St. Louis Development Corporation, Neighborhood Business Development (facilitates grants, façade grant program) discusses RFP (2018-2019) and existing projects

How do you feel about doing these quarterly to have better attendance and have more formal presentation from each committee on each quarter more meaningful meeting? Barb is a no. Cara and Dan say it would cause a decrease in attendance. No motion.

Sarah will add the committees and members to the website for transparency.

Barb Potts discusses Narcan/Opioid Overdose kit (treats narcotic overdose in an emergency situation) certifications and trainings. Will be contacting bars and restaurants about kits/certifications

EVENTS

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Dasia Vence - Mardi Gras 2019 - proposing March 2nd for it to be street-wide event w/ a food-tour focus, rather than drinks, starting noon until maybe bonfire for the kids at love bank Stuart Keating from Earthbound has joined. Seeking more vendors.

John Retro 101, May 25th, 2019, the 2nd annual Cherokee caravan, 10am-5pm. Last event secured 100 vendors and 6k people east of Jefferson. Event is able to support 172 vendors from From Jefferson to DeMenil. Wants to extend the Caravan from Broadway to Gravois. Opportunity to cross promote

neighborhoods/businesses, etc. Vendor Discount available for vendors from CID side of the street. Wants to Missouri lot with picnic tables and food court. **Needed:** additional food support

Tasha from Burger 809: discusses a takeout kitchen for the area. Mid-February opening. Will Liebermann makes a motion to letter of support, Kaveh Razani 2nd, all in favor 8.

Ari- Morning Glory Diner opening soon - 2609 Cherokee. Pending health inspection. Hours; Wed-Sun 7 to 3pm. Working on liquor license, Kaveh Razani motion liquor license, Will Liebermann 2nd, all in favor 8.

Mark Nevelow: Silk and Spice @ Bespoke January 26th, 6:30-10pm - party to showcase Indian fabrics and designs

Adjourned: 7:08