



FRIENDS OF CAPITOL MANSIONS BOARD AND GENERAL MEETING

Held at the WJ Geery Theater located at 2130 L Street, 7 PM, (Diane Heinzer's Theater)

Ideally we can return to a local backyard as the weather warms up and we move into May!!!!

1. President Kevin Boll called the meeting to Order at 7:04PM
2. Minutes & Agenda review/amendments/approval
 - a. Mark moved to approve the agenda and Athol seconded. All in favor
 - b. March meeting minutes moved to be approved by Mark and numerous seconded. All in favor
3. Board of Directors Reports
 - a. President Kevin noted no updates aside from continuing to be vigilant in the neighborhood with better weather and more traffic
 - b. Treasurer Linda discussed current dues owed and bank balance recently increased by \$70 in dues, \$90 from the church, and \$31 in additional payments from members
 - c. Current balance of \$4327.66
 - d. Secretary Jack noted we are using an updated member list for outreach so please let the board know if you are not receiving any emails
 - e. Athol reported as of April 19 she plans to be back at her house which serves as the FOCM mailing address
4. Old Business
 - a. Sac PD Update, Lt Macaulay (10 Minutes)
 1. Lt. Macaulay noted overall crime stats down for the month of March
 2. Lt. Macaulay noted Kings playoffs will bring roughly 23,000 people into Downtown and in light of that there will be a larger police presence in Downtown however those offices are not being drawn out of the Capitol Mansions patrol area so replies to calls should not be delayed.
 - b. City Update, Mikayla Taylor (10 Minutes)
 1. Mikayla reported on the following upcoming events:
 1. Tree Planting Event: April 29 at Ulysses Park
 2. Second Saturday: Returning to Midtown on May 13, 8am-1pm and noon-4pm geared towards families near Fremont park, then from 4-8pm K Street will be closed from 20th to 24th with live music, pub crawls, social events etc. with after parties at certain venues at 10pm (map and details to be shared).
 3. Earth Day Festival: April 23rd at Southside Park
 4. Public Soccer at Broadway turf facilities
 5. Katie Valenzuela's Office holding union job fair
 2. Kevin inquired on the new noise ordinance and Mikayla noted the City wide ordinance is still in progress
 - c. Matsui Alley Lighting Plan Update, Kevin (10 Minutes)
 1. Sue gave a summary of lighting plan efforts since started back in 2019 and noted the current unresolved lighting efforts of three missing lights. The original fundraising efforts totaled \$2,900 raised by FoCM and the total expenses to date have been roughly



\$2100 and SMUD granted an additional \$500 credit. This resulted in roughly \$750 remaining from this fundraising effort

2. SMUD's most recent letter stated there will be no further efforts and current options: 1. Abandon program after depleting donation funds or 2. Continue efforts with additional fundraising.
3. Anna noted the project should be considered a success based on reduction in crime and voted to continue the program as switching off the lights would negate the efforts and positive results of the lights turned on.
4. It was noted that individuals can take over the account for any specific light nearby their property once the FoCM funds are depleted to keep the lights on. Kevin noted in May we will plan to do an assessment of lights in the alley and encourage residents/owners of nearby properties to take over those accounts and keep the lights on.
5. Resounding message from members and board was an agreement to start to shift the account out of FoCM responsibility and to individual property owners.
6. Linda noted another option of additional fundraising efforts from property owners to keep the lights on and Sue noted those efforts had been made yet the results in prior fundraising were very poor. Anna noted this could be a signature project for FoCM and spread to Liestial Alley.
7. Athol made a motion to expend funds for the lighting project and move on next steps next month. Moved and seconded by Mark and all in approval.
- d. Update on Membership Renewal and Roster Update, Sue and Linda (10 Minutes)
 1. Sign in sheet was noted and Linda discussed member form to be sent following the meeting to establish a record of members and their interests in the organization
 2. Sue discussed a potential "membership swag" idea with welcome bags or goodies to bring to new residents of the FoCM community. The budget would be \$500 and cover 50 tote bag purchases. 20 would be kept for new members and 30 resold at \$16-18. The program would recoup costs and grant an outreach method to new residents. Anna brought a reusable grocery bag as an example of first attempt and redesign is underway. Becca has agreed to be the ambassador of the welcome bag implementation and Sue motioned that the board approve a budget of \$500 to implement the program. Moved and seconded by Roger, all members in favor.
- e. Presentation on options for Walking Tours in our Community, Sue (10 Minutes)
 1. Sue outlined a few options of walking tours as follows: a.) GPS tour via app. b.) QR code app where each property has it's own QR which recites property history.
 2. Costs for a company to implement the project can be up to \$6,000 though grant money may be accessible or the implementation can be for a service charge.
 3. Athol expressed interest in the QR code as a way of expressing our care for the neighborhood and history.
 4. Mark inquired on the method of display and Sue noted this would be a yard sign or post with the QR code at each property. Majority approved continuing to discuss options and pursue the QR code project.

5. New Business

- a. Discussion on Community Events, Stoop Events, etc. (June, August and October)



1. Linda noted the stoops to be an expensive and non-fundraising event to which we may want to charge if we would like to continue. Linda will outline a budget and suggestion of contribution by member for upcoming stoops event.
2. Anna noted an alley event for 4th of July or National Night Out is something she would like to see as an upcoming fundraiser.
- b. Roundabout Maintenance (Sue)
 1. Sue asked for volunteers and many were available to participate in roundabout maintenance.
- c. Alley Clean-up for Matsui, Saturday May 20 or 27?
 1. May 20th was approved as the date for the Matsui Alley Clean up.
- d. Good of the Order
 1. Called at 8:30PM

Discussion for future Meeting: New Shirt Creation and design.

Upcoming Events:

Preservation Commission Meeting: April 19th, 5:30-10:30 PM City Hall Council Chambers

Earth Day, Sacramento: April 23rd, Southside Park 11AM – 4PM

Next Friends of Capitol Mansions Meeting: May 8th starting at 7PM