

SNCTF COMMITTEE Meeting

September 11, 2019

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The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Attendance:

Sherise Brown

Rick Hudson

Carla Smith, Council

John Helton

David Holder

Member

Jane H. Ridley

Travis Parks

Sheronde Glover, PM

Semaj Blaine

Mary D. Gay

Natasha Harrison, PM

Elsie Lee Sullivan

Ann Marie Shields

There was a motion to adopt the agenda, all in favor. 1 abstained. Review of August minutes.

There was a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, all in favor, 1 abstained.

Chair Report

- ***Lessons from Alaska***

- If you have an opportunity to go, definitely do so --- It's beautiful and if you're on the side of a big rock, hang on and keep climbing.

- ***Adoption of By-Laws***

- The by-laws are still in the city legal department. Ms. Jane motioned to adopt the by-laws as they are.

- ***City Council Meeting Update***

- PM met with Councilmember Joyce Sheperd and Carla Smith to discuss the RFP process per request of Ms. Sheperd. Councilmember Sheperd's main concerns for the committee and PM's is to ensure that everything is fair and equitable across the communities. PM shared that the committee wants to emphasize equity across all areas including neighborhoods.
 - Natasha made a point of clarification that the Committee voted to move forward with a competitive process, which led to some communities opting to hold proposals until a clear RFP process was established.
 - Ms. Jane provided some history on how members and representatives from the committees were selected. She has been in contact with the Pittsburgh community leadership and will schedule a meeting with them after the RFP comes out.
 - Semaj shared that the committee can not control the participation of neighborhoods and where proposals come from.

- Ms. Jane shared that Bill Boozer with Georgia State has put out requests to members of NPU-V for anyone that needs assistance writing proposals. Meetings are on Tuesdays at the Metropolitan Library.

Per Council

- It was requested that the committee present back to the council when they finalize the RFP. Sheronde will work with Ms. Sheperd's office to get on the council's agenda. Carla Smith shared that no legislation will accompany the presentation.
- There is nothing in the legislation that would prevent an individual from applying for funds. An audit or some connection with a 501c3 should be considered.

Mika's Committee Seat

- Sherese asked if anything official has been determined regarding Mika's returning to the committee. John updated the committee that Mika wanted to make sure the proposals she submitted made it through before she made an official resignation. Mika has a new job and is no longer living in Georgia. It is likely a permanent move and will require a new appointment.

New Business

- Ms. Jane brought up concerns about HouseProud serving a resident outside of the LCI Grant Park area.
 - Lisa (HouseProud) has made a request for repairs to a home in Grant Park that is out of the area. Grant Park only has 3 blocks covered by LCI. Ms. Jane asked the following questions:
 - If we will do Ms. Murray's house which is outside of the parameters will we open ourselves up for other exceptions?
 - How do we keep this from being an exception that will be used by others for support? Are we setting a dangerous precedent?
- Rick clarified that Lisa had a list of priorities from every other neighborhood and asked for a list from Rick because they don't normally work in Grant Park. Rick provided her with a list of those most in need, which included Ms. Murray.
- Travis suggested a working relationship with HouseProud that supports other funding resources that can match or provide funds for special situations like Ms. Murray's. Invest Atlanta is one resource that was shared. The discussion was tabled to start the Listening Session.

Motion & Votes

- There was a motion to adopt the by-laws as-is with the understanding that updates can be made at a later date if needed.
- It was motioned that the topic of HouseProud servicing a resident outside of the LCI areas of Grant Park be tabled/deferred until after John speaks with Lisa.

- ***Listening Sessions***

- [See Notes](#)

The meeting was adjourned at 6: 55 p.m.

Action Items:

- John will follow up with Mika to get an official word from her and share back to the committee.
- John will have a conversation with Lisa about Ms. Murray's home repairs and report back to the committee.
- Follow-up to get on City Council agenda to present the RFP process.