MILLBROOK CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Location: Calvary Athletic Association, 4330 Deerpath Ln, Philadelphia, PA 19154 Date: 1.31.23 Time: 7:00pm

Agenda Items:

- I. We are concerned to read a <u>recent article</u> suggesting that the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania is in talks with <u>Safehouse</u>, an entity that seeks to open so-called "safe" injection sites for illegal drugs within our city.
 - MCA is locking arms with Somerton & Bridesburg RCAs and signing a letter to petition against Safehouses. In summary, we request that the US Attorney's office cease to conduct secret discussions with Safehouse. We ask that they include our organizations in any discussions of this subject with Safehouse or any other entity desiring to open illegal-drug injection sites, and that they meet with us prior to making any decisions regarding this subject. Finally, we ask that they actively uphold the Federal laws imposing liability on activities associated with the drugs that Safehouse would facilitate use of at its sites, and avoid licensing the violation of those laws.
- **II. Slow Zone applications** have been extended to February 15th, 2023.
 - Application available here: <u>https://slow-zone-phl.hub.arcgis.com/</u>
 - Questions should be sent to otis@phila.gov
- III. Lifeguards are desperately needed in philadelphia and parks & rec is waiving fees; application process is here
- IV. YMCA Lifeguards needed; see application
- V. Crossing Guards needed; see how to become a crossing guard here
- VI. Blood Drive at OLC from 2pm-7pm on 2/21/2023
- VII. Amanda Applegate from Senator James Dillon's Office shared there will be a Seniors Expo in April
- VIII. Bill Rapone from Councilman Brian O'Neil's Office shared City Councilmember Brian O'Neill has introduced legislation to increase the fines for illegally parked semitrailers, truck tractors, and other vehicles. The bill, co-sponsored by Councilmembers Mike Driscoll and Anthony Phillips, will raise the fine from \$300 to \$500. More info here.

- IX. Patti Leneghan from Martina White's office recommends the community submit 311 Service Requests for neighborhood cleanup via the "311" app!! PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE APP! It's been brought to our attention the more requests made through the app the better turnaround we will see in satisfied requests. The app allows for photos to be submitted along with requests and demonstrates as evidence that requests were submitted. There is greater value in utilizing the 311 app vs calling.
- X. Update on Proposal for Marriott Extended Stay Hotel at Philadelphia Mills at 4501 Woodhaven Road Philadelphia PA 19154 (across from McDonalds & next to Burger King area).
 - A. Proposal for 4 story hotel which is above zoned requirements which is WHY it is coming to the RCA.
 - B. Approximately \$200/night stay, roughly 4 person bar, no food service with a courtyard firepit and lounge area & a hoteling conference area.
 - C. Hotel would employ about 15 people full time, Simon Property Security would oversee the property, key card access to the hotel & new landscaping surrounding the property.

Other Notes:

• Next Civic Association Meeting, Tuesday February 28th @ 7pm.