Pinkney Neighborhood Association Outcomes

Meeting Zoom: Sept. 17, 2022,10-11 a.m. Meeting was not an official meeting; no motions/votes were conducted

Meeting participants: Shane Heiman, Josh Spence, Lori Lange, Eleanor Gardner, Anne Shaw, Connie Fiorella-Fitzpatrick

Treasurer's Report

- Account balances: Checking \$1,176.22; Savings \$223.61; Petty cash \$254.71
- Upcoming expenses: Approx. \$1165
- **Grant:** Reminder the grant cannot be used for food

Business Items

- Ethnic Retailers Update Guest Connie Fiorella-Fitzpatrick reported that the program to install art on the exterior of ethnic grocery stores is underway. A meeting of all participants was held. Some of the retailers have been in business for a long time, yet it was a first for a collective meeting. The program will be presented to the City Commission on Oct. 12. President Heiman will attend on behalf of PNA and will read a letter of support. Design for the store on Colorado has been completed; installation will be this Fall. The design was screenshared; participants were impressed. E. Gardner to reshare the Ethnic Retailers video and proposal from its initial presentation to PNA's on the website.
- Trunk or Treat. Much progress has been made:
 - o Parking lot at 5th & Arkansas is reserved and barricades will be set.
 - o Just Foods has been contacted and their event is Sat., Oct. 29. PNA to collect food for them and items for the Pinckney School Pantry (split the donations).
 - o LMH to be asked to donate printing for the school flier or paper for the postcard. K. Walker may be helpful.
 - o S. Heiman to contact Pinckney school rep to organize sending home a flier, twice: Oct. 15 and Oct. 28.
 - o A separate postcard is supported over including info in a newsletter. S. Heiman to validate with the Board.
 - o Signage needs to be developed. S. Heiman has the "wires", E. Gardner has cardboard. Question: Do we want to invest in more permanent signs that we can change the dates annually?
 - Community group invites are important: police, fire dept., health dept. (maybe community garden coordinator Laura McCulloch who could arrange a seed swap), Dobskis (Mr. Ds Car Wash and McDonalds), Bert Nash, Van Gogh, public library
 - o Reach out to those who participated in trunks/sponsors in previous years.
 - o There is support for using a FB/Instagram 2-week boost, approx. \$14. S. Heiman to query Board on expenditure.

Reports

- President's Report. S. Heiman followed up with CEO Russ Johnson. Johnson will recap their conversation in an email, which Heiman will forward to the Board. Items discussed include the "data source" for the city growth projections, which may be more colloquial than factual; the moving of Woody Park, which has the support of PNA as long as there is a good plan and process in place; the parking structure desired will need other funding entities; the Early Childhood Community Center planned for the Medical Arts Building is still being discussed (LMH is seeking a developer for the full project, which includes apartments and retail.)
- LAN Report. There was no LAN report. Next meeting is Sept. 23.
- Signage Committee. The committee has contacted Roger Steinbeck who will now be the point person with the city.

Updates & Announcements

- The stone retaining wall at 5th & Tennessee has had some attention by the city; it is also on its list to provide maintenance. PNA's assigned city contact is Pat Hennessey.
- There will be a half marathon and 5 k sponsored by Heartland that will traverse our neighborhood on Nov. 6. They are seeking volunteers.