



GPNA Meeting Minutes

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Announcements

- **Jeff McCord** – announcements for Annual Candlelight Tour of Homes 12/10 & 12/11
- **Alicia Chambers from the Grant Park Conservancy** – annual campaign information with how to join the conservancy asking for support; new member gifts

Election Campaigning for Transportation Chair

- **Rick Hudson** – current Land Use and Zoning Chair
- **Jim Voris** – previous Transportation Chair

Minutes – we will vote on them next month

Treasurer –

- \$50k currently in treasury – not including some MothBall expenses

Lieutenant Floyd –

- Precinct 6 Crime report – trend is upward but consistent to holiday season
- Vehicle break in increase – primarily along Memorial corridor
- Robberies from classified ad transactions – he encouraged us to make any of these at any police precincts; this eliminates risk of safety and of purchasing stolen items (police can run serial number check); these robberies have occurred twice in Grant Park over the last month
- He also asked us to be aware of our surroundings and to stay off the phone when walking in public because they are the easiest crime
- He asked that we stop leaving vehicles unattended while running

Public Safety Chair Chris Newman

- NPU meeting tomorrow night
- Vehicle larceny concerns
- Juvenile court program coming next month
- Zone 6 does holiday toy drive for community; he asked for donation for \$100 but motion was made to change it to \$250
- Brad Nevin encouraged for everyone to join the neighborhood watch

Homes and History Chair Paul Simo

- Discussion regarding tax credits for preserving and restoring a historic home or commercial buildings
- Hearing on demolition of 293 Ormond Street – meeting downtown with city officials and have given the owner another 30 days to begin restoration; Paul will be following up and potentially subpoenaed to appear in court. The property has potentially been purchased and the committee will work with the owner to restore the home
- Tip of the Month – close the vents in your crawl space/ basement for cold winter months. They should be left open in the summer and closed in the winter
- Also there have been an exceeding amount of construction that offsets a population of rodents to another place. He encouraged us to use live traps vs poison.

Fundraising

- MothBall update - we raised between \$7000 - \$7500
- Thank you to sponsors and local neighbors that have done a substantial job of work to do

Land Use and Zoning

- Imagineturnerfield.org is a reference to what Georgia State is doing with Turner Field
- Request for letter of support for Memorial Drive LCI – ARC originally grandfathered it in 2003
- Extension of Memorial Drive – using SPI 22 to make drastic improvements; motion made to support passed unanimously
- Bids are due December 14th for Parks and Recreation and award a contract to move forward as we get more details on where the city needs to move forward; vote for Support Letter passed unanimously
- Event Facility being brought to previous Cyclorama under planning

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Economic Development

- Economic Gathering – potentially at Six Feet Under
- Encouragement to visit the Nicolas House and individually support
- Wilderness Works – non-profit in the neighborhood that works with children

Election Results

- Only contested chair was Land Use and Zoning and Rick Hudson won

Nicolas house – announcement was made that the residents are not allowed in the kitchen so there is a suggestion to volunteer cooking

Grant Park Gun Club – NextDoor and Facebook

Parkside PTA trying to raise money for a fence to go around the playground – info on Parkside PTA website; motion was made to donate \$250 and unanimously passed

Adjourned at 9:03pm

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