

# June 26<sup>th</sup> 2025 FPCA

## General Meeting Minutes



### 7:07: Commence

- Minutes approved.
- Seeking volunteers for committees and newsletter carriers.
- Beautification update – Kat:
  - Clean-up event Saturday 10-12 Gough & Chester, cleaning to Washington.
  - Monthly clean-up events last Sunday of each month from 10-12.
    - Seeking suggestions for clean-up: Trash/weeds/etc.
  - Seeking grant writers, especially for Love Your Block grant, opening end of July. Reach out to [Beautification.Chair@FellsProspectCommunity.org](mailto:Beautification.Chair@FellsProspectCommunity.org) for more info.
    - Current interest in rain garden
  - Monty: Suggests street sign banners.
- CE:
  - Patterson Park walk. 9am Gough St. entrance. Loop around the park July 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Meetup with Patterson Pins 6pm Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup>.
    - Food and social activities planned.
- Safety:
  - Commander's meeting was moved, so we
  - Warm weather is a predictor for more "crimes of opportunity."
  - "Skateboard Karl" was apprehended and is incarcerated.
- Fontana Properties:
  - Parking lot vote:
    - Last month, John solicited community feedback for property uses.
    - Is currently engaging a management company to manage parking/permits/security.
    - Has asked for a letter of support from the association.
    - "Do we support the idea of it being a parking lot, in the meantime? If so, the board will create and send a letter of support. The board will perform due diligence on the amenities being assured."
    - Parking is paid, cost unknown. Offering Monthly, weekly and daily.
    - Expected to take a couple months to get conditional use permit. Hopefully parking spots will be available before the end of year.
  - 21 votes in favor, 1 vote against. Motion passed.
  - McDonalds has signed a lease, but refuses to occupy without the drive-through being re-approved by the city- FPCA will vote on whether to support
    - Will take 2-3 years before McDonalds will actually move in and open, assuming the drive through variance passes
- Haydee Batista – DPW Liaison Officer
  - Acknowledges trash and recycling issues.

- Suspects someone is taking trashcans and relocating to Highland.
- “What are they doing with them?”
  - Suspects they are being sold to vagrants who use them to collect stolen packages.
- If your trashcan is stolen, you can get one more. After that, citizen must replace.
  - If you know the serial number when reporting it lost, DPW will look for your can. If found, it will be returned without counting as a replacement.
- If a new owner takes possession of property, they can call 311 to request a new can.
  - Keep in mind, there is a shortage of cans and a backlog with the manufacturer.
- Cans must go out at 6pm, and then be returned by 6pm the next day.
- Community question: “If DPW finds a can, will it be returned?”
  - Likely no. The City has not recorded the can numbers.
- “Is there data on the benefit of everyone having trashcans?”
  - Uncited source: the can rollout has reduced rat count.
- There is a lot of contamination in recycling. Acceptable materials information is being provided
- DPW is evaluating a rat infertility program, rolling out in September.
- Community input:
  - Contractor was pulling out joists and would have caused a house collapse. A phone call to Mark Parker was returned within 5 minutes.
  - Marianna: Check out @FellsProspect on Instagram. Please tag pictures of things you see going on in the neighborhood that we could reshare.
  - Sarah: worked with the DPW to address a problematic block (trash, dumping, overgrowth). DPW provided the materials and equipment to perform the cleanup and also engaged property owners. Kudos DPW!
  - Reminder, if your 311 requests are not being addressed quickly or satisfactorily, call the 311 phone number to get directed to the right resources. Also, forward your requests to [president@fellsprospectcommunity.org](mailto:president@fellsprospectcommunity.org) to advance them.

**7:53: Adjourn**