

## **Westview Community Organization Monthly Meeting Minutes February 6, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Jacinta Williams

Number of people in attendance: 22

### **Invocation**

Given Chaplain vacancy, there was no Invocation.

### **Adoption of Agenda:**

Anthony motioned to adopt the February 2017 agenda

Ms. Hattie seconded that motion

10 ayes

0 nays

0 abstentions

Motion passes

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Orlando motioned to adopt the January 2017 minutes

Ms. Catherine seconded that motion

11 ayes

0 nays

0 abstentions

Motion passes

**Police/Public Safety:** A. Gruen - Overall crime in Atlanta is down 7%. Uptake in robbing - Campbelltown Corridor, Princess Lake Community. Working with juvenile offenders. Enforcing truancy. More camera proposal for the VIC system that can read/scan tags on vehicles. Car Larceny is up through Greenbriar. 7 day trend.

### **Community Questions/Concerns:**

- Can you address the crime in Westview?
  - o 5 day stat - no crimes last week. Crime is lower in 4. But higher by the mall.
- What's the program that you mentioned to read the tags?
  - o The system goes into a database to distinguish if the car was registered as stolen. Brand new system. Looking for areas with high auto theft.
- What is being done with the increase of gunshots?
  - o It is challenging once officer responds to distinguish who was responsible.
- Are there reports available for the statistics of stray bullets?
  - o No

### **Unfinished Business**

- No unfinished business

## **New Business**

- Approval of Change of Ownership Request: On 1/23/2017, members of WCO voted to approve change of ownership with Community Benefits Agreement. The agreement will be available for Review at next month's meeting.
- **Community Questions/Concerns:**
  - Have concerns about youth being employed while it is in transition .
  - Is it definite that he will close at 12? is there a guarantee?
  - Make sure that someone attends the Liquor Review Committee to discuss closing at midnight.
- WCO 2017 Priorities: The WCO Executive Committee (all elected positions & chairs of committees) met last week and developed 3 priorities for the WCO this year. You will hear more about these priorities throughout committee reports. The priorities are
  - Increase Membership Participation
  - Fundraising - The Community Garden still has outstanding loan
  - Partnerships - Partnering with community associations, groups, etc
- Summer Solstice: Tentative Date is Sunday, June 18, 2017. The community needs a project lead for this event as this will be our major fundraiser for the year. The planning needs to start soon.

## **Treasurer's Report**

- Approximately \$4200 combined in bank and PayPal account
- Upcoming Expenses: Renewal of license (\$30)
- Upcoming Revenue: Membership & Holiday Party Reimbursement (\$370)

## **Committee Reports**

- Beautification: 1/13 – Left message with Ayana Williams w Park pride. Need trash cans. Neighbors, bagged leaves. Weeding. Supply list needed by April 18 will be submitted to WCO. Need volunteers .
- Business: If you are a business owner in the area, please join Westview Community Development Association (WCDA). Fourth Fridays will resume in April/May and run throughout the year.
- Community Affairs/Special Events: Game night will be rescheduled for March. New date will be announced at upcoming community meeting.
- Development: No new updates. Waiting on status of RDA repaving project
- Garden: Volunteering happens every Saturday at the garden
- Membership: Orlando Hartwell is the chair and charging members to invite their neighbors and offer talent/time. P- 6783583730 e- orlando.hartwell@coldwellbankeratlanta.com
- Public Safety: There will be a new major for the zone, Major Griffin.
- Youth: No updates

Motion made and seconded to extend meeting by 10 minutes



**Westview Community Organization**

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- 20 ayes
- 1 nay
- 1 abstention

Motion passes

- Zoning and Code Enforcement: Chair vacancy. No updates.

- **Community Concerns/Announcements**

- Councilmember Cleta Winslow –

- Contact Fulton County Animal Control for stray dogs. Laws against tethering . Fulton County Commissioner Joan Gardner - email after you contact Animal Control.
    - Tiger Grant given for Beltline. #43 million .
    - Parks Dept - Voted to expand Enota Park . Discussed 4-5 years ago.
    - Affordable Housing (33K-46K annual income) - Urban Enterprise expanding. SkyLofts is an Urban Enterprise with 20% of units being affordable.

Motion made and seconded to extend meeting by 5 additional minutes

- 18 ayes
- 0 nays

- Atlanta Streets Alive: April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2 – 6. Neighborhood Outreach is happening now. Same route as last year but Bike Parade will start in Westview this year instead of Grant Park.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:15