# CHNA Meeting August 24, 2017

Attendees: Rose Cabral, Barbara Steinberg, Mark Harrington, Jonell Medina (Rosestead owner), Steve Bicker, Kathy Bicker, Marcia Ruth, Jackie Teeple, Beltroy (Bar Manager from Toucha Class), Shawna, Spencer Teeple, Sharon Greggo, Allison Joe (Jay Schenirer's Chief of Staff), Sheryl Pinto, Valerie Moss, Marian, Rex Moss, Pat Cthe allaway, Larry, Becky Wiegand, Marian Pan, Becky Wiegard, Allison Joe

# **Agenda**

- 1. Announcements
  - Lupe died yesterday. She had an aneurysm just last week. Please sign the card going around. You
    can also express your condolences to Ron, her husband.
- 2. Introductions
  - We went around, introduced ourselves, and talked about their favorite summer memory.
- 3. Police Dept and City Updates
  - The Police Dept wasn't able to attend the meeting.
    - 2. City Updates (Allison Joe, new Chief of Staff for Jay Schenirer)
      - a. Homelessness
        - i. Allison gave a brief update on the city's work on homelessness
      - b. Neighborhood Businesses
        - The businesses around here are not inviting. What's happened in Oak Park on Broadway is amazing. (Referencing this article: <a href="https://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/news/2017/08/01/5-things-about-ron-vrilakas-new-oak-park-proposal.html">https://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/news/2017/08/01/5-things-about-ron-vrilakas-new-oak-park-proposal.html</a>) Can we get the architect/planner for the Broadway development here? (there's a nearby place on Mack Road that is like Oxbow Market that does everything Shop Smart) check it out here: <a href="http://shopsmartcalifornia.com/">http://shopsmartcalifornia.com/</a>
          - 1. Jess H said there's a new economic development planner who might be able to help.
        - ii. Jay is interested in making the business development include more than just parking, including a bike lane and consideration for bicyclists and pedestrians.
- 4. Committee Updates (Yard Sale, Park, etc.)
  - 1. National Night Out

There were about 250 attendees. Special thanks to Target and the Army, and the City and the HUB for the \$125 grant. We helped about 30 kids with back-to-school back packs. Steve and Kathy sent out thank you cards to all the donors. Rosette sent out a thank you note and photos to Target and the Army.

We made about \$200 from donations/raffle sales. It's hard to receive donations from corporations when we're not a 501(c)3 organization.

- i. South Oak Park uses NeighborWorks as their fiscal agent. Asian Resources could do that too. (Allison)
  - i. She uses a 501(c)3 that charges 5% for being a fiscal agent. (Barbara)

#### 2. Park (Mark)

a. Mark met with the City August 23rd at the park re the shade structure. Since NNO, the floor has been done. What's left is the painting. Kevin Love, the city Project Manager, will get back to Mark. It doesn't look like the shade structure will be done before Movie Night, September 8. Some of us were wanting to dedicate the shade structure to Shirley Johnson, and that will probably happen later.

If there is any money left over, it'll be dedicated to the park. (Allison)

One option is painting the brick structure. Is there an opportunity to paint a mural? The City is ok with holding off until it's decided how the money will be used. CHNA has til the end of the fiscal year (through June 2018).

- ii. The loitering has gone way down.
- b. You can provide input re the park to Mark Harrington (can contact him every Friday when he waters the trees).
- c. Does CHNA have a key to the bathroom?
  - i. Spencer volunteered to power wash the bathroom.

#### 3. Explore and More

a. Starts back up Sept 7. We'll have the 13th semester starting this Fall. The after school program runs Thursdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. at the Colonial

## 4. Movie Night

- a. We can have entertainment before the movie.
  - i. Rose will contact ImbaSac to come and perform before Movie Night
- b. City will provide popcorn and water.
- c. CHNA will provide ice cream.
- 5. Yard Sale Sept 16, 8am
  - a. 6th year
  - b. Everyone has their own sale at their own house.
  - c. If you want to participate, contact KC

## 5. Additional and Ad-hoc Topics:

- 1. Tree removal (Marcia)
  - a. Apt complex cut down all the trees at 54th and 14th Ave. What can citizens do about this, to prevent chopping down of trees. There is a city ordinance about what trees you can't chop down.
  - b. The City Forestry Dept is responsible for the city trees on the outside portion of the sidewalk. (Allison)
  - c. If it's on private property, the protected trees can't be cut down. (Allison)
  - d. Can call City arborist, Kevin Hocker, 916.808.4996.
    - i. The City changed the ordinances for the trees. The developers don't like the trees. Before, if the tree was 50 years or older, then they had to post a warning. But they don't need to do it anymore.
  - e. Citizens can call 311 too to get to Urban Forestry.
    - f. Can also contact The Sacramento Tree Foundation: http://sactree.org/

# 2. Lighting

- a. Sarah has contacted SMUD, who will meet with a group of us. This has to do with the lighting that is needed, especially on the corner of SF Blvd and Stockton Blvd.
- 3. House that caught on fire
  - a. Police says the house has caught on fire twice. The code enforcement person is John Venedo. Neighbor is encouraging others to call in regarding this case. They are supposed to have it all cleaned up by Monday; construction has to start up by the end of the month. Allison J is going to help. Follow up with Allison Joe (ajoe@cityofsacramento.org, 916-808-7005)
  - b. We should email our police dept rep to Lieutenant James Harrington at <a href="mailto:Jharrington@pd.cityofsacramento">Jharrington@pd.cityofsacramento</a>
- 4. Change in ordinance of medicinal growth to inside > from 400 to 600 sq feet. (Barbara S.); people who are growing do not want this ordinance. She's supportive of the 6 plants vs the 400 square feet.
  - a. When is this going to City Council for a vote?
- 5. Sacramento Neighborhood Coalition
  - a. This is a group of neighborhoods that ban together to have a stronger voice on key development, community decisions.
- 6. River City Porchfest community can visit from house to house to listen to different bands. There will be 5 houses in Colonial Heights, and 2 houses and 1 business in Tahoe Park hosting the bands. Happening September 17th
- 7. Lighting

- a. Sarah Phillips has been in contact with Steve Johns from SMUD.
- b. Toucha Class put in lighting behind and to the east of the restaurant.
  - i. Lighting could/would change a lot here.
- 8. Toucha Class Concerns (Bill, Manager of Toucha Class)
  - a. Background: every 2 years, they get an entertainment permit. There were concerns from the neighbors.
  - b. There are multiple concerns that are being associated with Toucha Class, but some of the problems don't have to do with the business, like homelessness. Some of the homeless are using the trees and shrubbery to sleep in.
  - c. There's a vacant home at the dead end behind the restaurant. There are a lot of vagrants around there.
  - d. There's a guy who comes out Wednesday nights and walks both ends of 50th and took photos to demonstrate that it's much more than just the Toucha Class business.
  - e. How can neighbors help?
    - i. If you see something, address it. The lighting would change everything.
- 6. Upcoming Events
  - Park Clean Up Sept 2
  - Movie Night Sept 8
  - Yard Sale Sept 16
  - River City PorchFest Sept 17