



Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association (CHNA) Meeting Wednesday May 11th, 2022 6:30-8:00 PM at Colonial Park

CHNA Agenda:

- Welcome/Introductions/Leader Introductions (5 mins)
- Police Update (5 mins)
- Colonial Heights Library Update - Diego L. Diaz (5 mins)
- District 6 - Councilmember Eric Guerra Update (5 mins)
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- Committee Updates (15 mins)
 - Parks, Finance, Communications, T-Shirt, Safety and Security, Welcome
- Discussion of a statement to the Sacramento City Council making recommendations for action regarding “the negative impacts of upzoning in the 2040 General Plan as well as in State legislation affecting local land use”. (10 min)
- General Discussion (20 mins) – Bring your topics of discussion

Meeting minutes and agendas are available on the CHNA website:
<https://www.colonial-heights.org/copy-of-minutes>

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Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday May 11th, 2022 6:30-8:00 PM at Colonial Park, 19th Ave and 54th Street

LOCATION: Colonial Park shade structure

ATTENDEES: Kathy Bicker; Steve Bicker; Rex Moss; Valerie Moss; Greg Ruzovon; Susan Tripp; Mark Harrington; Ellen O'Neil; Robin Kelly-Denten; Sarah Kerber; Ian Thompson; Regina Temple; Romana Norton; Kim Stoddard; Eric Steffey; Eva Alvarado

POLICE UPDATE; DISTRICT 5 UPDATE; DISTRICT 6 UPDATE - No representatives. Sarah will work on getting representation for the June meeting. The City has temporarily reversed the City Council redistricting. Neither D5 or D6 responded to requests to attend the May meeting. CH will be represented by D6 after the fall election.

ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 7 UPDATE: Robin of Kevin McCarty's office thanked the community for a very successful response to a Mother's Day donation request. She has offered to help with National Night Out. For any questions about legislation please contact the Assembly District 7 office.

LIBRARY UPDATE: Diego Diaz was unable to attend due to a staffing shortage. He sent an email update.

- the library is a ballot drop off location. Go through the lobby and it will be the pink container right at the front of the entrance.
- the library will also be a vote center on June 4th-6th 9AM-5PM and June 7th 7AM-8PM
- Outdoor Storytimes are on Tues. & Sat. 1030-11AM
- Explore & Play Program is on Wednesdays 1030-1130AM
- Diego will let CHNA know when the library is available for meetings.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- FINANCE: \$1,151.29 in treasury. No Change

-COMMUNICATION: "Everything is up and running." The committee can still use help - particularly dealing with the City. Discussed neighbors accessing the neighborhood via Nextdoor (suggest filtering out other neighborhoods) and Facebook (Friends and Neighbors of Colonial Heights). Instagram has become a site for the CH Photography Club. Minutes, events and a calendar can be found at: [https://.colonial-heights.org/](https://colonial-heights.org/)

T-SHIRT: Plenty of Adult sizes remaining. \$20 donation requested. Shirts will be available at the June 11 Flag Day event in Colonial Park.

FLAG DAY: June 11th in Colonial Park from 10AM-2PM. Can use volunteer help with set up prior to 10AM. Will have multiple activities for children. Hoping to have a flag raising ceremony at the Colonial Park flagpole but have not been able to obtain a large flag. Will have a parade around the park. Will barbeque hotdogs. Contacted Dutch Bros. for coffee. Stockton Blvd Partnership and Colonial Heights Library will have tables.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT; Will be on the Agenda for the June CHNA meeting.

SECURITY AND SAFETY: Chris and Kaitlyn are on hiatus.

WELCOME: No one has yet offered to take over this committee.

MERCY HOUSING: Aaron and Jim were not present. No changes/new info from April CHNA meeting discussion. Background info discussed for new attendees. Still no left turn into or out of the project from Stockton Blvd. Plan remains to open up the 54th St egress. Traffic and parking (no study done) will very likely be a problem for C.H. The project will have 200 units and 1.5 parking slots for each unit. Rex was told by an appraiser that the medium income for the project will be \$70,000. At some point in the future when more lots are bought on the property there is hope that full egress to Stockton Blvd. will happen.

PARK:

-On 4/21 met with D6 Park Commissioner, Victoria Vasquez and Parks Volunteer Coordinator, Esteban Lopez. The large shade tree just west of the shade structure has lost large branches over the past 3 years. Parks has not yet hired an arborist. Esteban will contact City arborist, Kevin Hocker, to assess the tree. It is likely a Heritage tree - if so, extra measures can be taken to help this tree.

A tree planting for the park is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th. Discussed making this an "event" adding painting projects, information tables, live music. This is still in early stage discussion.

Neighbors can work virtually with an arborist via treetips@sactree.org.

-On 4/30, D6 Councilman, Eric Guerra, hosted a discussion of the 21st Ave Parkway on the medium at 62nd/21st Ave. 5 neighborhoods were represented (Tallac Village, Colonial Heights, Colonial Manor, Colonial Village and Tahoe Park). The Parkway runs from Stockton Blvd east to the railroad tracks and totals about 15 acres. It is technically

an easement and is under the Dept. of Utilities. Eric has applied for a federal grant to discuss planning for the Parkway.

All neighborhoods agree that speeding/hazardous traffic is an issue. A walking audit of the area is scheduled for June 4th. Speed bumps were to be installed on parts of 21st Ave last October. This project keeps getting postponed.

All would like trash cans installed on the green strip.

Adding a dog park and children's playground were briefly discussed.

Many Tallac Village neighbors don't want any amenities (benches, water fountains..) added to the green strip out of concern of attracting crime, drug use, and camping. But they did seem OK with adding a winding walking path and native plants.

Note: the plan to add tiny homes to the lot at 63rd/21st Ave has been cancelled. The church on the property had a fire and has now been sold.

More meetings will be scheduled.

2040 GENERAL PLAN STATEMENT:

Discussion of a statement to the Sacramento City Council making recommendations on the negative impacts of the 2040 General Plan was postponed. CHNA has been asked to sign the statement. However, no one familiar with the statement has yet shown at the CHNA meetings to lead the discussion of this topic.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

-Tahoe Park has a garden tour this Saturday 5/14 from 10A-3P. Cost is \$10 and 9 households are on the tour.

-Rose Cabral has offered to help Colonial Heights with a garden tour. A minimum of 6 households are needed to make it work.

Steve volunteered to facilitate the June CHNA meeting.