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MEETING MINUTES Monthly Community and Board Meeting

Date: June 4, 2020 Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: ZOOM meeting - virtual

Board Member Attendees: James Groves, Blair Taylor, Bernadette Kelly, Shane Sutherland, Nam Henderson, Lisa Zoeller, Ryan Hunter, Stephanie Ceccato, Heather Shockey, Tracey MacDermott, Sandy Robnett, Rick Medrick, Justin Petaccio, Melissa Davis, Jeanette Fedele, James Groves, Lamone Noles and ??

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1	Introductions	
2	Introductions by Tracey MacDermott and Lana Cordes:	
	Moment of silence for the death of George Floyd	
	Lana – housekeeping rules for Zoom Meeting; Nam and Justin moderating	
	questions and comments – attendees to 'raise hand' for if they want to talk.	
	Community updates are available on Greater Park Hill Community and	
	Greater Park Hill News Facebook pages.	
	Free Farm Stand on Mondays	
	Garden Walk Cancelled – have virtual contest and tickets to support GPHC	
	Food Pantry – serving 3x as many households, 4x as many individuals than	
	historically served during the COVID-19 crisis – drop off food donations at	
	office or Cake Crumbs	
	Coffee, tea, toiletries, fresh food – complete list is available at	
	greaterparkhill.org	
	Membership – join us if you are not already a member	
	Donations – food, toiletries and monetary donations are always welcome!	
3	D2 Police Report – Officer Heidi Lewis	Report any suspicious activity to District 2 at the non-
		emergency dispatch number:
	Experiencing a huge increase in home burglaries – cannot explain with most	720-913-2000.
	people at home these days – encouraging Neighborhood Watch	Reserve 9-1-1 for crimes in
		progress so that you are not
	Heidi will visit your property to review and provide recommendations for	tying up the line for real
	safety measures – 'Safety by Design'	emergencies.
	D2 has partnered with 'We Don't Waste' and can donate these non-perishable	Twitter: follow @DenverPolice

	items to GPHC Food Pantry	No longer monitoring Next Door – use pocketgov.org to connect with D2 Police	
	Compassion Cruiser – distributing face masks and hand sanitizer	Officer Heidi Lewis	
	Protests – DPD is validating the message of the protesters and support of First		
	Amendment rights for peaceful assembly and protest		
4	Ralph Nagel, Parkview Senior Residences on Fairfax		
	On west side between 28 th and 29 th - location of Xcel sub-station and the repair garage/former Park Hill Cross Fit		
	Request for rezoning from <u>E</u> U-MS-2 to <u>E</u> U-MS-3 to allow for a 3 story building,		
	planned to be 35' in height; proposed senior living apartment building		
	Questions/Comments:		
	Nicole Moore – why is park not being built on this side as promised? A: Land		
	swap between City and HM Capitol allowed for park to be built on east side of street instead of old Xcel Sub-station.		
	Angelo Coletti – trust that proposal will be what is built, based on changes on		
	east side from earlier conversations/promises A: Ralph Nagel – only		
	committed to senior living development on west side. Dillon with Tryba - 35		
	feet tall, senior living use are connected to the rezoning – no future		
	development can vary from this. <u>(we're unsure of legal instrument at this</u>		 Formatted: Font: (Default) +Body (Calibri)
	time, Ralph has committed that he will sign a written agreement that runs		
	with the land and is fully enforceable) Q: Parking – already increased automobile parking with Long Table – how is		
	parking capacity being addressed? A: City is widening alleys by 2 feet on either		
	side, will 'donate' 2 feet of property to the alley width and pave it. City Wide		
	initiative recognizing that alleys were built when cars were smaller.		
	Q: 55 units but only 35 spaces provided – not enough parking for each		 Commented [LZ1]: I think he said (or meant) "bedrooms"
	resident plus nothing for visitors A: Exceedingmeeting City parking		because it is not 55 units, it is 34-36 units. Also the response included comment that senior apartment parking is calculated at a
	requirements based on use and occupancy by 11 stalls		lower rate of .25 each and this project is providing much more
	Q: Todd Moore – how do we keep Fairfax from being developed beyond the		parking than required.
	current zoning? A: Dylan – approval of one rezoning does not set up precedent		
	for future rezoning		
	Q: Sam Martin – what is the approval process for this rezoning? What part do		
	residents play in this? RE: park - can't really call what will be on east side a		
	park, substation lot would have been a true park. Any traffic studies and		
	impact of this development on neighborhood? A: Dylan - Reach out to City		
	Council members, community, planning department. We are requesting a		
	letter of support from GPHC for this rezoning. Last step is approval by City		
	Council with majority vote for rezoning. Park isn't part of our purview. 'Park' across street is exact same size. During land swap there was significant subsidy		
	to build the park on the east location. Traffic – site development review		
	process with City – landscaping, parking, exterior lighting, traffic calculations,		
	ADA access, etc by various City departments.		

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Q: Sam – noise pollution, air pollution, increase in traffic – impact on quality of	
life? Is this considered?	
Q: shade effect of new construction on existing adjacent properties? Setback	
at upper stories? A: Setbacks required if building on lot lines, but building is	
setback from rear and front lot lines, so upper story setbacks are not required.	
Q. Possibility of making alley one-way from north to south? A: Outside of	Commented [LZ2]: I think the response included the comment
development requirements. Approach Council Member to put this in motion,	that the alley is not up to the discretion of this developer, they do not own the alley and cannot dictate traffic direction but they are
effects other properties on the block.	open to supporting what makes sense.
Q: Blair Taylor - community is bringing forward valid concerns. Development	
friendly city. Bring these concerns forward to City Council members - Chris	
Herndon and at large Robin Kniech and Debbienisee Ortega. If you have	
concerns please email GPHC, council members and CC everyone so we are	
aware of your concerns.	
Q: Robyn Fishman – how do we guarantee that with the rezoning that there	
won't be a 45 foot height development? A: The developer supports an overlay	
that would tie this zoning to apartments for older adults and a 35-foot height	
limit. If the developer or a different owner of the land wanted to change this,	
they would have to revert to the original (current) zoning designation.	
Lana Cordes – crux of conversation is that developer is looking for support	
from RNO and adjacent neighbors for the rezone request	
Contact information for Lana and Tracey for further conversation on this	
subject	
Lana Cordes – temporary outdoor seating at restaurants	
Tracey MacDermott – City allowing for temporary permit for outdoor dining,	
allowing to be within public ROW (sidewalk), including parking	
Collette – what is temporary? City website says <u>September</u> September 7 th	
Alisha – can we close down streets to allow for bikes and outdoor dining?	
Nam – Shared Streets initiative – closing off streets to only parking, bikes and	
pedestrians – no through traffic. 120 responses to survey – 108 were	
supportive of closing off streets to allow social distancing for outdoor	
recreation (walking, running, cycling, etc.) this could dovetail with outdoor	
restaurant seating	
Comment – support this but only temporarily	
Tom Felice – Cherry Tomato – has applied for this temporary permit; in his	
communications with Excise and License – he has area that is not in ROW, so	
he does not need the temporary permit, on east side of restaurant. They will	
begin outdoor dining on Friday June 5, 2020. Tom is basing this on executive	
orders from the Mayor and Governor, which encourage restaurants to offer	
outdoor eating options as a safety measure during the COVID pandemic.	
Justin Bresler – Park Hill 4 th of July Parade – how to bring the Parade to people	
who are celebrating at their homes? With protests – City contacts are busy	
with other priorities at this time in regards to permits, etc.	
Leslie Twarogowski: Currently 'Unnamed Park' at 29 th and 800 block of Fairfax. Everyone has	Formatted: Superscript
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opportunity for ideas of naming the park. In previous meetings – poster	
boards were provided for ideas of naming the park. GPHC – concept for	
suggestions of naming; Leslie will send photos of these poster boards with	
park name suggestions to GPHC. Asking for community vote – 300 signatures	
on a petition needed to consider a name suggestion. GPHC – please accept	
naming suggestions for the next 45 days.	
Tracey – requesting Board meeting in next week or two to discuss naming of	
the park.	
Park cannot be named after a living person.	
Tara Bannon – library staff misses you!! DPL is offering classes online; book	
groups, etc. Trying to keep everyone safe! Email her for questions.	

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End of Minutes Next Board Zoom Meeting – TBD To cover Board Business from June 4th meeting