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MEETING MINUTES  
 Monthly Community and Board Meeting

Date: September 5, 2019

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: GPHC Offices, 2823 Fairfax Street, Denver, CO 80207

Board Member Attendees: Blair Taylor, James Groves, Bernadette Kelly, Justin Petaccio, Lynn Kalinauskas, Nam Henderson, Ryan Hunter, Heather Shockey, Geneva Goldsby, Tracey MacDermott, Matt Bradford, Lisa Zoeller, Jon Bowman and LaMone Noles

**COUNCILPERSON CHRIS HERNDON IN ATTENDANCE:** Yes or **No** (does not include council aides)

Item No.	Discussion	Action Items/Responsibility
1	Introductions 6:30 pm	
2	<p><u>D2 Report: 6:35 pm</u></p> <p>Officer Heidi Lewis, new Community Resource Officer, taking over for Sharon Avendano.</p> <p>Burglaries were up in August; 21 thefts from motor vehicles, 19 thefts of motor vehicles – giving out free clubs for steering wheels.</p> <p>Halloween party – teaming with District 5 at Akron Court</p> <p>Vacation Watch – call non-emergency number and notify Police of</p> <p>Generally, crimes occur with open garage doors, unlocked doors of homes and vehicles. These are crimes of opportunity! <b>LOCK YOUR VEHICLES, HOMES AND GARAGE DOORS; DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR.</b></p> <p>City Wide Curfew – for minors Sun-Th is 11 pm, Friday and Saturday is midnight</p>	<p>Report any suspicious activity to District 2 at the non-emergency dispatch number: 720-913-2000.</p> <p>Reserve 9-1-1 for crimes in progress so that you are not tying up the line for real emergencies.</p> <p>Twitter: follow @DenverPolice</p> <p>No longer monitoring Next Door – use pocketgov.org to connect with D2 Police Officer Heidi</p>
3	<p>Community and Organization Update - Lana Cordes, GPHC Executive Director 6:40 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HOME TOUR Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> - New this Year! Free Electronics Recycling at 17<sup>th</sup> and Forest</li> <li>Free Farm Stand on Monday mornings – Denver Food Rescue brings food from East High Farmer’s Market on Sunday afternoons;</li> </ul>	

	<p>neighbors bring extra produce from their gardens; 630 pounds of food distributed in August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Meeting – October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Carla Madison Rec Center at 6:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Board Elections</li> <li>○ Babbs Award</li> <li>○ Keynote Speaker</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Emergency Food Pantry – 7,500+ meals worth of food distributed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Donate canned fruits, canned meats and nut butters</li> <li>○ Paper products, diapers, personal hygiene products</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Committee Chair Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Health and Human Services</li> <li>○ Fundraising</li> <li>○ Youth Services</li> <li>○ Human Relations</li> <li>○ Block Workers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Volunteers</li> <li>• Garden maintenance</li> <li>• Food program</li> <li>• Events and committees</li> <li>• Newspaper bundlers and blockworkers</li> </ul>	
4	<p>Quality Inn &amp; Suites Rental Housing Conversion, 3737 Quebec, John Parvensky, President, Colorado Coalition for the Homeless 6:45 pm</p> <p>Shortage of 27,000 units of affordable housing for below median income New Construction housing takes 3 years from inception to completion Conversion of Quality Inn will only take 6 months Have 2,000 existing units around Denver area (i.e. Renaissance at 40<sup>th</sup> and Colorado Boulevard); downtown YMCA, DU Law School Quality Inn needs fire sprinkler and fire alarm system throughout to comply with long term lodging code requirements Closing on property by October 6<sup>th</sup>. – occupy half by Thanksgiving, remaining half by end of year 139 Units – studio apartments with kitchenettes One Home – coordinated intake and placement system for providing housing, will also work with Denver’s Road Home, referrals through health center downtown to place residents in the facility</p>	
5	<p>Be SMART Program, Misty Glover, State Lead – 6:55 pm</p> <p>Mom’s Demand Action for Gun Sense in America Number one cause of death for African American children, guns come their homes or neighbor’s homes Not political, strictly promoting safety Children’s access to firearms perpetuates the violence Guns + impulsive teenagers = tragedy <b>Secure</b> – stored and locked, and unloaded <b>Model</b> – model responsible behavior, teach them not to handle guns without an adult present <b>Ask</b> – ask friends, family and neighbors if they have an unsecured gun in their home</p>	

	<p>Recognize the role of guns in suicide – 85% of suicide attempts with a gun result in death, it’s an impulsive act and guns make it easier  Tell your friends, family and neighbors to be <b>SMART</b>.</p>	
	<p>Community Announcements –  7:05 pm  Kenneth Ho, Westside Investment Partners, Inc. – Park Hill Golf Course, re: August minutes for his message  October 30<sup>th</sup> – Buy Guns in America by Black and Brown People  East Area Plan – request for Greater Park Hill to take a position on this issue  Neighbors First Organization – covers all the neighborhoods that are included in the East Area Plan  Park Hill Library Mini-Golf Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>  New Zoning Inspection Officer, Karen Bridge - yard signs cannot be in right of way; help out elderly or ill neighbors that cannot keep up with yardwork, need weeds mowed, trees trimmed, etc.  Owetta – reach out to your neighbors and ask if they need help!</p>	
7	<p>Approval of August Minutes –  7:10 pm  14 Ayes, 0 Abstain, 0 Nay</p>	
	<p>Budget, Heather Shockey, Treasurer –  7:15 pm  60% of membership renewals are in second half off year  Money raised from Home Tour and Street Fair will be totaled by end of September</p>	
	<p>Land Use Survey Committee Update, Heather Shockey –  7:25 pm  In process of developing the survey, getting close to completion but some further research is needed before ready  National Research Center – company that providing the parameters and content of the survey; Lori Urban, Director of Operations  Perform surveys all over the nation  2,000 residents will receive a survey invitation in the mail – twice  Access code for only one response per household received (online)  Survey invitees can come to GPHC office to complete survey on paper in lieu of online</p>	
	<p>Intersection Mural Project Funding, Lana Cordes  7:35 pm  Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to Noon at Stedman and Park Hill  Working with Hallett, Steadman and Park Hill Elementary Schools  Murals at each school surrounding the environmental themes of Air, Water and Land  Painting party in line with bike to school  Board Approval to move forward with project and a not to exceed cost of \$6,000, contingent upon public notice of adjacent blocks of mural locations  14 Ayes, 0 Abstain, 0 Nay</p>	
8	<p>Meeting Adjourned  7:45 pm</p>	

End of Minutes

**Annual Meeting is Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019**