West Scioto Area Commission Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2018

Members present:

Rita Cabral, Treasurer Jessica Dyszel, Chair Jamie Grinch Jo Leppert, (telephonically) Kristen McKinley, Vice Chair Eric Russell Ben Watkinson Larry Weber Other officials present:

Emmanuel Remy, City Council Member David Hooie, Westside Pride Manager

Absent:

Rita Cabral

Discussion and Actions:

- 1. Ms. Dyszel announced that the 2018-19 Commission budget had been approved but that the funds had yet to be received. David Hooie reminded the members that the MOU for 2018-19 would arrive soon and urged us to sign and return it ASAP.
- 2. Eric Russell announced that The Glen was hosting a National Night Out booth and encouraged WSAC to participate. Ms. Dyszel said that WSAC would be present.
- 3. CM Remy was given an opportunity to address the group. He stated that he was a member and Chair of the Northland AC for many years. Prompted by several questions he encouraged the Commission to be assertive with developers suggesting that an AC can require certain information be made available before scheduling time on the agenda of the Zoning Committee or the Commission. This might include requirements such as copies of traffic studies, notification of adjacent neighbors, or data such as density, height, parking spaces, etc. He also suggested strategies for improving proposed developments. This might include such things as requiring the developer to build and pay for things agreed to like multiuse paths or green space. He encouraged the Commission to post signs on specific properties notifying the public of meetings scheduled with the developer concerning that property. He promised to send a copy of the "Development Packet" prepared by Northland AC.

Mr. Remy also explained that for budgetary reasons the city is largely dependent on developers to provide amenities such as turn lanes, street widening, setback improvements, etc.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Zoning:
 - Report on Jackie Yeoman, Planning Manager for the Planning Division
 - Affirmative vote on a swearing in procedure for speakers
 - Next meeting: June 27

- 2. Elections and Appointments
 - Reaching out to six high schools
 - Expressed need for additional members
 - There was some discussion regarding the optimal number of members for each committee. There was general agreement that five or more was a reasonable minimum. Committees were encouraged to discuss the best maximum number.

3. Area Planning

- Explained the request for the Commission to review and approve three Propositions of Purpose for guidance to the Planning Committee. Ms. Dyszel suggested delaying presentation of those propositions until the July meeting.
- Mr. Weber also explained that the Committee would be asking them to approve a description of the Planning Committee functions that would be used on the WSAC website and possibly elsewhere.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45