

# Bemiss Neighborhood Council January 11, 2018

**Attendance:** Bruce Higgins, Kate Burke City Council, Mike Fagan City Council, Gretchen Chomas Regional Health, Kathryn Alexander, Donna Fagan, Charles Hansen

**Excused:** Mike and Marianne Rapp

**Approval of minutes December 14 2017:** Approved

## City Council

**Kate Burke:** Kate handed out business cards she is on the Library board, Health District board, Red Light Committee, SRTC, She has participated in a study session on Infill. Ask if we had any 311 problems. There were concerns when calling an employees direct line as it goes to 311 instead being able to leave a message.

**Mike Fagan:** Looking into working more on the East Hillyard Yard. The 22 resolution will be indorsing the Spokane Public Schools Levy money. Naming of the new South University district bridge is underway. Citizens can email or call in their suggestions. Alley ways will be vacated. Standard urban utility installation plan ordinance for signs is being looked at. There is a quarter of a Million set aside for business to update their infrastructure when redoing streets for South Monroe. It will be given out by an application process, both as reimbursement and business support short term loan. Money can be used for facade improvement.

**CA report:** \$1000 dollars is being added to our clean up account, because NCS brought in 740 Tons in 2017.

**CDBG report:** Brought forth the CDBG Neighborhood allocation model choices. Asking us to choose and vote New matrix allocation model choices.

1. Maintaining the same process we use currently. Menu driven model with project from the RFP put out by George from local qualifying non-profits.
2. Utilizing the Spokane Matters district model. The district with the most need would get the most funds with the other districts receiving the amount determined by the current formula.
3. Distribute the funds evenly between districts. Each receiving 133, 333, 33. The neighborhoods in each district would collaborate to create a criteria for choosing a project.
4. Devote all funds to some project of city-wide significance. CACD would provide resources for projects and then make a menu to go where CA rep would bring back to NC.

Motion by Bruce Higgins that BNC recommend option 2 with options 3 as a back up.  
Charles Hansen 2ed. **Motion approved.**

## Awards, Year End Report

Good Neighbor Award from CA to Bruce Higgins and Donna Fagan

Bruce also gave acknowledgement to Kathryn, Donna and Ann for their commitment to the NC.

**WSDOT:** Not here Charles reported they are thinking of having a charrette in late Feb at NECC, on a Saturday,

**Cathy Bakken, from the Hillyard Library:** They are working with district 81 to give all students and staff library cards that are fine free. The libraries may incorporate school space when new schools are built. So they are not going to do a bond but have put it on hold.

Library would like to participate In Music Under the Oaks and or Block party maybe with drones or STEM projects. They have done a girls brick building that was a fun successful. She is also attending community court.

**Music Under the Oaks:** We are planning extra children entertainment and activities to get more families with children to come. Kathryn has found Greg Gossman bubbleman, and for science Mr. Waldref.

**Traffic Calming work shop:** There are now two different applications, one for Red light ticket generated funds for traffic calming due march 9<sup>th</sup>, the second; camera on school speed signs. The second one does not have due date so can be submitted all year round. There are criteria for these funds that are different then the Red Light traffic calming on web site, or contact Katie Myers.

Bob Turner had some assessments of past traffic calming projects and found some were working and some are not.

**CA Empowerment:** Open for application in February. Some building membership ideas- magnets to pass out at concerts, and more tri level brochures, News letters, brochures for library, welcome bags with information about our neighborhood. Signage, have a informational meeting with intention, during the concerts. it was decided to have one spring news letter.

**Gretchen:** Survey, on Jan 27, 150 GU students and dental students with WSU will canvas the neighborhood. Starting at Hays Park and going north and south. The goal is to reach 3 40 residence. GU will go to family night at Shaw Middle School. The totals from the survey will be done In March. The Health District would like to have the people who do the data to come to the meeting to give results. The Health District is starting Child Abuse and neglect group. Working with District one will be the best way to go with bigger impact with the zone and resources for it. Gretchen had an idea to start a Time banking group at the NC. Kathryn has run one before using skills or volunteer time to use to help others.

**Finance:** 1,428

**2018 Calendar:** The calendar was handed out discussed briefly. It is also on NextDoor. Copy with minutes.

**Adjourned:** 8:05pm