

WONA Board Meeting #21 Minutes 04/13/2015

Approved via Email 04/18/2015

Facilitator: Daphna Venue: Daphna's home at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Bill Cope, Barbara Emerson, Chris Giangreco, Jim Reyner, Chris Scanlan, Marina Tilbury & Daphna Woolfe.

Agenda items:

1. **Approval of the agenda** (emailed 4/12) - After deletion of Item #12, MSC.
2. **Treasurer's Report** - \$1,637.18 in the bank. The bank will not enforce a requirement for two signatures per check. **Action Item:** Barbara to convene Bill, Barbara, Jim & Daphna to create a new signature card. **Action Item:** Jim will create an Open Items Report to track action items.
3. **Secretary's Report** – Minutes from 03/09/15 regular meeting previously approved via email. Those minutes are the first to have highlighted action items. Minutes from 04/06/15 study session previously approved via email
4. **Vice President/Communications Officer Report** - Bill is ordering business cards as required (Chris will retain his Urban Planning cards). Bill noted that there will be a WRSHOA BBQ on 6/27 (Marina plans to attend with Valerie Wickersham).
5. **President's report** – Daphna attended the 4/11/15 Win6 afternoon activities. The board has questions about the sustainability of the concepts in the absence of funding plans. Action Item: Daphna will write to the city of Santa Clara to request promotion of the Win6 concepts. Action Item: Daphna will tell Kirk Vartan to contact Bill to access Nextdoor. Daphna reported frustrations with traffic infrastructure plans, in connection with the area's Urban Village planning. The city council will have a study session on this topic at 7:00 p.m. 4/14, and urged others to attend with her (Daphna emailed copies of two memos by city council members to the WONA board on 4/14 as reference material). Most of the board agreed that WONA should support leaving the area Urban Villages at the Horizon 3 level & discourage signature projects, rather than having the city upgrade our area Urban Village planning to Horizon 1. Daphna reported that WNAC will be meeting Wednesday (4/15/15) and VTA representative(s) will be guest presenter(s).

6. Transportation & Traffic - Chris G. regaled us with his contacts within VTA. Since BRT plans are of special interest, **Action Item:** Chris will attempt to get a VTA/BRT representative to present to a WONA general membership meeting. **Action Item:** Chris will inquire about the status of a survey of the residents (potential ridership) along the proposed BRT corridor.

7. Block Rep. Report – Chris G. reported that Stan & Randy have no interest in helping to organize the Block Reps. This item was tabled (possibly to a Yegeneh Bakery meeting?).

8. WRSHOA Report (written) - Nothing of significance at this time. WRSHOA working on Conversion Ordinance: Dave Johnson will report to WRSHOA board on Thursday. CAP Grant: WRSHOA sent “Save the Dates” to various Neighborhood Association significant few, including Daphna & Bill for WONA, and Chap-pie Jones, to meet for BBQ night in June. Status of WRSHOA joining WONA: WRSHOA has opted to remain separate from WONA, and has communicated this to Daphna.

Daphna expressed surprise on the last point, as WRSHOA residents are clearly within the WONA boundary, and should be allowed to be part of a neighborhood association that is dealing with concerns beyond the WRSHOA enclave.

9. Redevelopment update - Chris S. state that a meeting has been scheduled to deal with RM zoning.

10. Website Review - The Carlos Cruz email of 3/14 that proposed a new website was discussed. In view of Carlos’ limited availability to support the changeover to a new website, the consensus was to stay with the current website.

11. - Response to Santana Row DEIR - Jim noted that the WONA comments were due by 5/7/15. Jim asked Chris G. to expedite his review the DEIR & of Jim’s draft of transportation/traffic issues, so that Jim could get comments to Daphna by Sunday (4/19/15). **Action Item:** transferring the action item from Valerie and Bob, Jim will cover the residential impacts of demolishing 47 units of affordable housing (Darby Apts). **Action Item:** Chris S. will furnish comments on building heights to Daphna by Sunday (4/19)

12. Not used

13. Social media training, calendar sign-ups - Daphna used her laptop to demonstrate how to use Nextdoor to send postcards to recruit WONA area residents to increase WONA membership (now includes 199 residences and 256 individuals).

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. Next Board Meeting:

TBD

Next General Meeting:

May 18, 2015 7:00 p.m. @ Cypress Senior Center

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Reyner, WONA secretary.