

WONA Board Meeting #27 Minutes 11/02/2015

Approved via Email 11/07/2015

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

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

Excused: Bill Cope

1. **Approval of the agenda** (emailed 11/01) - MSC.
2. **Treasurer's Report** - \$1,713.03 in the bank. New donations have been offset by our five-year (\$ 299.00) renewal of our website hosting agreement.
3. **Secretary's Report** – Minutes from 10//02/15 regular meeting previously approved via email.
4. **Vice President/Communications Officer Report** – No report. Jim noted that the Block Rep list on the website is obsolete. **Action Item:** Barbara has up to date list, will work with Bill to update the website
5. **President's report** –
 - (a) – WAG (Winchester Corridor Advisory Group) meetings have been dominated by city planning, as they have limited funding/time to complete their work (i.e., 14 to 15 month period), whereas non-city WAG members prefer reaching agreement on the process to be followed (e.g., number of public meetings). Residents are being highly encouraged on Nextdoor to attend the monthly WAG meetings (2nd Monday).
 - (b) – WNAC's primary role is to support and educate the public within the Winchester/Stevens Creek region. Recent election results: Kirk Vartan president, Ken Pyle VP, Daphna secretary, and Barbara Morrey treasurer. Residents are being highly encouraged on Nextdoor to attend the monthly WNAC meetings (3rd Wednesday).
 - (c) – BAREC site development in Santa Clara will include an agrihood (as championed by Win6 concepts promoted by Kirk Vartan) is a demonstration of what can be accomplished by citizen advocacy.

(d) – SPUR (a non-government agency promoting smart growth) has interviewed Daphna in connection with their publication of a white paper, which includes transportation needs.

(e) **VTA** – Competent VTA senior planners have been identified and will be used to brief us at a future WONA general meeting. Daphna is accumulating data on potential local projects (e.g., widening of San Tomas). VTA is surprised by higher than the normal number of residents at their recent meetings.

(f) **Federal Realty** – Daphna continues to meet with Seth to keep up with their dialog with the city on getting city approval to begin Phase 1 (approval to get a DEIR).

(f) **Shred-A-Thon** – Daphna attended the city event at a table with her WONA polo shirt for advertising purposes

(g) **Officer candidate** – Chris S, who has been serving faithfully and forcefully as Redevelopment Liaison, was urged to seek nomination as Vice President (Bill Cope does not plan to seek reelection). **Action Item:** Chris S to comply with SR#1 (submit his data to Jim by 12/01).

(h) **Dumpster Day** – this WONA project is on track for March 2016. A method of establishing ID will be needed to limit “outsiders” from choking the dumpster.

6. **WRSHOA** – Marina, Daphna, & Chris S noted that the Federal Realty planning for rerouting Olsen Drive might lower the value of the Winchester Ranch site for commercial development. Communications with WRSHOA are continuing on how best to exploit that possibility.

7. **Redevelopment** – Chris reported that the developer’s response (October 8th meeting) to the public’s comments to the DEIR was pretty remarkable, as many changes were made to Graystar’s planning that will enhance the quality of life for local residents.

8. **Transportation and Traffic** – Chris G is now off of night shift and rejoins the board. He will resume pursuit of heritage status of trees in and around the Santana West site. **Action Item:** Chris to contact D1 staff (Jared) to expedite a tree decision. **Action Item:** Daphna will give a hard copy of the recent SPUR report (ref: see (d), above) to Chris G for his follow-up with VTA. Daphna noted that retiming of traffic lights can be expedited by those noting the problem by calling the telephone number on the control box (or through the D1 staff).

9. Block Rep. Roll Out – At the 10/31 meeting, Daphna introduced the new one-page tips and Welcome Package (WP) for use by block reps. in visits to new (& old?) residents in WONA territory. Those present showed good energy for renewing the block rep program, and Daphna sees no need to recruit a block rep chair (i.e., a Blockhead) or eliminate the use of fliers. **Action Item:** Jim will obtain 100 copies of a trifold brochure on transportation information for the WP. **Action Item:** Daphna will send Jim a list on block reps (for Emily's use in updating the block rep coverage map). **Action Item:** Daphna to obtain information on the Neighborhood Watch program.

10. Action Item Review – Jim went down the open items on the list (previously sent via 10/27 email) and members provided status on open items. The updated list will be sent to the board a week before the next board meeting.

General Meeting Planning – Daphna is planning for the meeting in two weeks, which will feature Chappie (including Q & A), BAREC, and information on Reserve redesign, traffic jams, block reps, election, and more. Fliers should be available for distribution in a week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next Board Meeting:

December 7, 2015 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. @ Barbara's

Next General Meeting:

November 16, 2015 7:00 p.m. @ Cypress Senior Center (come at 6:30 for setup and social time)

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Reyner, WONA secretary.