

Uptown Community Planning Group Meeting
March 7th, 2023
Meeting held at Joyce Beers Community Center (3900 Vermont St)
Minutes produced by Matthew Brown

****FINAL****

*****APPROVED 4/4/2023*****

In Attendance: Mary Brown, Matthew Brown, Christopher Cole, Patty Ducey-Brooks, Gail Friedt, Brer Marsh, Stuart McGraw, Mary McKenzie, Lu Rehling, Mat Wahlstrom

Not in Attendance: Roy Dahl, Tony Silvia, Stephen Cline

- I. Parliamentary Items/Reports
 - A. Announcement of Concurrent Election.
 1. The annual Uptown Planners election was in progress during beginning of meeting and closed at 7:00pm.
 - B. Introductions/Roll Call
 - C. Adoption of Agenda and Rules of Order
 1. Patty Ducey-Brooks motions to approve
 2. Stu McGraw seconds the motion
 3. All in Favor
 - a) Yays: Mary Brown, Matthew Brown, Patty Ducey-Brooks, Gail Friedt, Brer Marsh, Stuart McGraw, Mary McKenzie, Lu Rehling
 - b) Nays: None
 - c) Abstains: Mat Wahlstrom, Christopher Cole
 - D. Approval of Minutes
 1. February 7th
 - a) Chair Wahlstrom requested that Secretary Matthew Brown add the announcement during the Chair Report of a special meeting for 301 Spruce Street project.
 - b) Stephen Whitburn's representative, Logan Braydis, requested a correction regarding which office he represented.
 - c) Minutes approved with corrections
 2. February 21st
 - a) Patty Ducey-Brooks motions to approve
 - b) Stu McGraw seconds the motion
- II. Non-Agenda Public Comment
 - A. Clifford Weiler thanks all outgoing board members for their service to Uptown Planners.
 - B. Tom Mullaney would like the new Uptown Plan to be scheduled on the agenda once it is announced.

- C. Brer Marsh thanks pending elected candidates. Also shares notice he received regarding city planning departments response to his complaint of Mat Wahlstrom filling a vacant seat.
- D. Wesley Morgan states that he's been waiting for a special election or appointment to become involved, and would like to have seen that ninth seat opened to all.
- E. Nevo Magnezi asked about a signup sheet.

III. Representatives of Elected Officials, Agencies, and Institutions

- A. Logan Braydis with Councilmember Whitburn announces that the office is working on the safe sleeping ordinance. Also working on street resurfacing, missed trash/recycling collection, and fallen tree pickup.
 - 1. Mary Brown asked about the plans for the old Mission Hills Library. States that it can be leased out as it is.
 - 2. Logan said it's tricky because of the historic designation. Many would like to leave it as it is while others would like to use it as housing.
 - 3. Patty Ducey-Brooks echoed Mary Brown's statement. Said it could be used as a pre-school after upgrades.
 - 4. Clifford Weiler mentioned two trees at Pioneer Park fell and that a child was injured on the tree. Also asks how the councilman determines his vote. Does he canvas the community or does he just decide.
 - 5. Logan state that the trees have been removed but the roots are still present. Parks and Recreation are handling all fallen trees, and are working towards getting to the Pioneer Park trees. Council member votes based on community input along with many other ways.
 - 6. Chair Mat Wahlstrom strongly urges council member to support the strongest possible tenant protections available within Tenant Protection Ordinance.

IV. Recess

V. Action Items

- A. Announcement and Certification of Election Results.
 - 1. Chair Mat Wahlstrom thanks candidates and voters
 - 2. Lu Rehling thanks the election committee
 - 3. Mary McKenzie announces candidates and the number of votes they received.
 - a) Susan Blackwell - 360 votes
 - b) Benny Cartwright - 59
 - c) Thomas DeFranco - 77
 - d) Jason Frye - 357
 - e) Julie Hyde - 357

- f) Don Liddell - 366
 - g) Nevo Magnezi - 77
 - h) Wesley Morgan - 78
 - i) Blake Peterson - 342
 - j) Zach Thompson - 81
 - k) Jim Walsh - 366
 - l) Clifford Weiler - 353
 - m) Susan White - 372
- 4. 490 ballots were cast during the election
 - 5. Chair Mat Wahlstrom announces the 8 candidates that will be seated in April 2023:
 - a) Susan White, Don Liddell, Jim Walsh, Susan Blackwell, Jason Frye, Julie Hyde, Clifford Weiler, and Blake Peterson (servicing remaining term)
 - 6. Nevo Magnezi contests the election.
 - 7. Wesley Morgan congratulates the winning candidates.

VI. Information Items

- A. None Scheduled.

VII. Administrative Action Items

- A. Ad Hoc Election
 - 1. No new business.
- B. Ad Hoc Plan Hillcrest
 - 1. No new business.
- C. Design Review
 - 1. No new business.
- D. Historic Resources
 - 1. No new business.
- E. Operations & Outreach
 - 1. No March meeting. Two issues on the horizon: Hybrid meetings and CPG changes.
- F. Public Facilities
 - 1. No new business.

VIII. Confirmation of Next Monthly Meeting

- A. April 4th, 2023 at Joyce Beers Community Center

IX. Adjournment

Agenda:

<https://uptownplannersd.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/230307-Uptown-Planners-Annual-Mtg-Agenda.pdf>

NOTE: There were no supplemental materials for this meeting.