

## Cedar Fairmount SID Meeting-April 12, 2022

In Attendance:
Sal A. Russo
Vince Pangle
Brian Anderson
Jayne Sestak
Jake Orosz
Lynn Quintrell
Rex Beck
Melody Joy Hart
Davida Russell
Mark McGinness

Myra Orenstein

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The meeting was called to order by President Sal Russo at 9:21 a.m.

Sal thanked hosts Jayne Sestak and Jake Orosz for being so gracious allowing us to have the meeting at The Fairmount (and providing continental breakfast!).

Vince Pangle made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Rex Beck seconded. The minutes were approved as read.

Vince Pangle reviewed the Treasurer's Report, explaining the situation behind the budget shortfall. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented. Rex Beck made a motion. Sal Russo seconded.

## **Old Business**

**Top of the Hill Update**-Myra Orenstein said that there is currently a point person on-premise to handle leasing and that a hard hat walk-through took place last week.

Brian Anderson said that the first tenants are anticipated to move into Building Two (not the high-rise) late July/early August. The anticipated completion for the entire complex is late third quarter, 2022. Commercial space will be available in August-September.

Lynn Quintrell asked what was happening with the former Zoss building and adjacent hair salon. Brian said nothing has been determined at this time.

**Cleveland Broadband-**Owner Mark McGinness said his company would offer a fiber system with direct fiber feed into each apartment. The cost for installation per unit is \$600 for both the cabling and the

fiber. Cleveland Broadband would handle everything else. If the building owner has capabilities to handle the initial portion of the installation, it would save the money.

While they are considering installation from outside the buildings, conversations should be had with the building owner to determine what is best for all parties.

Cleveland Broadband is seeking long-term/seven-year contracts so that it may recover its investment. It will work with each building owner separately.

Vince suggested that each building owner discuss this option with their tenants to determine interest and needs.

**Deluxe Snow Plowing**-Rex Beck complained that for the past several years his sidewalk has been overlooked by Deluxe. He has contacted them directly and also worked with Myra to resolve the issue. He suggested looking for a new vendor.

Sal Russo explained that he and Myra had begun that process last year only to find that there are a shortage of options and that others cost significantly more than Deluxe. He suggested that prior to the next snow season, scheduling meeting with Deluxe, Myra, Rex and himself to iron out any prospective issues.

**Traffic Issues at Lennox**-Brian suggested that the District keep on top of this situation. If traffic continues to be an issue, he will contact the appropriate parties who will then monitor their orders so as to alleviate the number of guests arriving for pickup.

**SID Expansion-**Sal reported that he, Vince and Myra have been working behind the scenes to determine interest in the SID expansion. Proxies have been sent to the commercial and residential building owners. In order for expansion to happen, the SID needs 60% of the total District frontage. Efforts are continuing.

## **New Business**

**E-Newsletters**Myra reported that the e-newsletters are now highlighting one restaurant/merchant each month to better acquaint subscribers with the folks in the District. Newsletters also feature events in the District.

**Landscaping**-Deluxe Landscaping was in the District this morning conducting Spring clean-up. Myra reported that Cedar Fairmount will be its first stop for planting. This year, the color scheme is purple and red. Planting will take place shortly before Memorial Day Weekend.

**P.U.P.**-Myra reported that she submitted a grant to cover costs for this program and was awaiting response from the NEORSD. (She learned this afternoon that the grant was denied and is following up to receive pointers moving forward.)

**SummerFest**-Myra reported that Cuyahoga Arts & Culture has cut budgets and that the SID received \$4K for 2022 as opposed to the \$5K it had received in years past.

Based on the response from last year's event, she is scheduling music events on Thursday nights and is also working with Green Tara Yoga on once/month yoga classes.

Vince said that he will become a sponsor and cover costs for the first month of music. He invited all building owners to do the same! Myra will reach out to all in the District as well as Flaherty & Collins for donations. Sal is hoping that the SID may install a banner across Fairmount to gain additional attention for the events.

**Items Requiring Attention**-Lynn Quintrell mentioned several items in need of attention:

- 1. Parking-She said that people are parking in the loading zone in front of her business and staying there for prolonged periods of time. Police are not monitoring the parking issues. Myra said she will reach out to the CH Police about this situation.
- 2. Scooters-They are being left haphazardly throughout the District. Sal suggested sending a note to the building owners requesting that they 'collect' them in one area in front of their buildings. Myra said she had been in touch with Eric Zamft who said this is an issue throughout Cuyahoga

- County. He asked her to write a note about the problem, which she has done and will continue to do if this remains a problem.
- 3. Parking Deck Condition-Lynn reported that there is "a waterfall in the garage". She requested that the City look at the construction problems with the deck including decaying stairways. She also said that there are hanging electric lines in the alleyway which may be problematic.
- 4. Outdoor Patio Proposals-Lynn asked what is being done in this regard. Myra said she has spoken with Eric who said the City is developing guidelines for a program that would be put in place city-wide, not only for Cedar Fairmount. Brian said the information should be coming shortly.

Vince moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m. Melody Joy Hart seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Cedar Fairmount SID will take place on January 11, 2022.