



Cedar Fairmount Special Improvement District
October 25, 2022 Meeting

In attendance:

Sal A. Russo, Heights Medical Building
Tony Cuda, Cleveland Heights City Council
Craig Cobb, Cleveland Heights City Council (proxy, Melody Hart)
Gail Larson, Cleveland Heights City Council
Jayne Sestak, The Fairmount
Jake Orosz, The Fairmount
Tom Sockel, 2106 Surrey
Lynn Quintrell, Appletree Books
Brian Anderson, City of Cleveland Heights (proxy Mayor Seren)
James Asimes, Nighttown
Myra Orenstein, CATV, Inc. Acting as Executive Director Cedar Fairmount SID

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by President Sal A. Russo.

James Asimes made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2022 meeting. Craig Cobb seconded.

In Vince Pangle's absence, Sal presented the financials. James made a motion to approve the financials. Brian Anderson seconded.

Old Business

Top of the Hill-Brian said he believes that 1/3 of the property has been leased. Retail will be leased in November/December. James pointed out that build outs take months and so the spaces wouldn't be immediately occupied after leases have been signed.

P.U.P.-Myra Orenstein is investigating re-applying for the grant as monies weren't available by the time the application was made in 2022.

SID Expansion Update-Sal reported that things have progressed and the SID will expand down both Surrey and Lennox, include four apartment buildings east of BW3 on Cedar and include three apartment buildings from Surrey to just beyond Lennox on Euclid Heights Boulevard.

SummerFest Update-Myra reported that the location of the concerts had a direct impact on attendance. She is hopeful they will be moved to locations adjacent to Cedar in 2023. All monies have been collected from Cuyahoga Arts and Culture.

Scooter Update-Lynn Quintrell said that scooters are being left in front of the Heights Center Building. Tom Sockel discussed the safety issues that become problematic with scooters. In Eric Zamft's absence, no update about the County's plans was available.

Parking Garage Deterioration-Much conversation took place regarding the safety and aesthetics of the parking garage. Myra met with Mayor Seren and was advised later by his administrative assistant, Patrick Costigan that an engineering firm deemed the garage to be

sound. James explained that if drains aren't cleaned the garage could be leaking from that. He also said that scaffolding supports are independent of the structural issue.

Sal suggested the SID receive the engineering report to better understand the findings. Lynn said she would review the report and make comments.

Since ARPA funds might be allocated for repairs, time is of the essence for reviewing the findings.

Brian will obtain a copy of the report and send it to Lynn and Myra for review.

Lynn and Myra will coordinate on this and report at the next meeting.

New Business

Sale of the Alcazar-Since Rocco was not in attendance, there was no one to discuss the status of the Alcazar. Suggestions were made about conducting concerts there. Brian cautioned that while information may be distributed to the residents, actual promotion of concerts may not be possible due to zoning restrictions.

Snow Plowing-Sal explained the expense of snow plowing including lack of interest from companies other than Deluxe, employee shortages by all snow plowing companies, increased costs of labor and materials.

Myra has ordered ice melt for the businesses in the district. She will revisit the need in January when the residential buildings come on board.

Music Hop-Tony Cuda reported that attendees to the Cedar Lee Music Hop from Future Heights was a success. Jake Orosz said he agreed having attended the "concert" at Tavern Company.

ARPA Grant Update-While Noble Nela and Taylor have targeted funds designated for their districts, other businesses in Cleveland Heights will vie for sharing \$1.

The 2023 Budget will also be evaluated in the near future. No date has been announced.

Dave's Supermarket-Lynn asked about the status of a new tenant in the Dave's vacated space. Sal responded that his cousin, Sal V., is aggressively seeking a tenant and agreed that there is a need in the district for another grocery store. He explained the difficulty of finding an interested party but reiterated that they are actively looking to fill the space.

Parking-Myra said that one of the residential building owners expressed concern about loss of income pursuant to the City's creating free on-street and lot parking. City Council Members said that based on comments made by Mayor Seren, a plan is in the works to modernize the City's on-street parking.

At 11:20 a.m. James made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lynn seconded.

The next meeting will be held on December 6, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at The Fairmount.