Jan 11, 2018 – SHA meeting minutes

• Public Comment
  o St. Paul Winter Carnival presentation and invitation to participate in various activities.

• No additions to the agenda

• Action Items
  o Approval of November 2017 minutes
  o Presentation of Julia Welter and Denise Aldrich as board candidates and motion to elect the same to the board. Motion passed (Julia will assume the vacancy with the longer term).
  o Request from GABA for waiver of required block party petition and presentation regarding the same from Connie DeLage.
    ▪ There are no anticipated changes from last year’s general format in terms of hours, structure, etc. Police security plans, will also be the same as last year. Connie also assured that “Alley Ambassadors” will also be present. Additional details in January 11, 2018 letter from GABA signed by Ms. DeLage.
    ▪ Motion to approve the request, with the requested hours and locations, with the caveat that we have the same private security (alley ambassadors), and police security, and we have a task force and hotline (as staffing permits), and music does not start until noon, as per 2017, and sound levels stay at or below 85 decibels.
    ▪ Motion passed unanimously

• COMMUNICATIONS
  o Presentation of new SHA website by Lori Brostrom
  o We are also working on a new mailchimp template

• ED REPORT:
  o We are still working on a joint GABA/SHA meeting with Mayor Carter.
  o Ongoing auto-theft issues being experienced with cars running during winter weather
  o 1/26 is neighborhood honor roll luncheon. Monica will attend. Recipients: Lori McCann, Pat McMorrow (if she accepts) and Michael Murphy
  o SHA holiday party will be on 1/24

• ZLU REPORT
  o Coconut Thai restaurant is not seeking variances, so plan should move through
  o Permit parking changes are anticipated. The City has indicated that they are studying the issue and staff will likely be issuing recommendations that will simplify enforcement. We anticipate a public input process, including a presentation from Public Works. We have been assured permit parking will not be reduced in this area.
  o Dixie’s/Emmet’s/Saji-Ya is considering expansion and SHA will host public listening session next week.
- North Star Grand Prix is looking to have us host their event again this year. Lori anticipated a preliminary conversation within before they submit a formal request.
- 949 Goodrich wants to add solar panels to the roof, which will require setback variance for the expansion of their front porch.
  - ZLU will make a recommendation to the city regarding the request.

- **DEVELOPMENT REPORT**
  - Annual appeal brought in nearly $8000
  - House tour planning continues
    - Sales brochure will be presented to EC soon

- **ENVIRONMENT REPORT**
  - Entering partnership with Linwood Elementary science teachers as part of Capitol Watershed District grant.
    - We purchased grow lamps with the grant money and the school will grow plants for the rain garden
    - Also collaborating with the school to allow them to revitalize and use the terrace gardens at Linwood Rec.

- **PED SAFETY/TRAFFIC CALMING**
  - Grand Ave Ped Improvement community discussion on 1/4
    - Some of the Ped Safety committee’s recommendations have been incorporated into the City’s plans.
    - Plans for improvements affect intersections between Hamline and Victoria along Grand.
    - We will request HunWen to return to SHA. Ped Safety committee, will finalize timing

- **COMMUNICATIONS**
  - Amanda Karls and Lori Brostrom will host a kick-off meeting for the new committee members

- **TREASURER’S REPORT**
  - Summit Hill Garden Grant and Capitol Watershed District Grants have not yet hit
    - There are some logistical issues with the way the Summit Hill Garden monies are handled and we will be revisiting that process.

- **GABA REPORT**
  - We need a new GABA liaison

- **NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN/HISTORIC PRESERVATION UPDATE**
  - We applied for a Legacy Grant and were not considered
  - Neighborhood Plan survey has been written and will drop (it will close on 2/15)
    - March 26, 2018 fundraising dinner with Lynne Rosetto Casper
    - A book signing event is also planned with Larry Millet

- **CITY RELATIONS REPORT**
  - Moderated Grand Ave Ped Improvement community discussion on 1/4
• Anticipate there may be room for advocacy with CM Noecker to extend some of improvements between Victoria and Dale, depending on community feedback we get from the survey being done in conjunction with the comp planning process.
  o Will moderate community discussion regarding Dixie/Saji-Ya/Emmet’s expansion plans on 1/23
  o Working with CM Noecker’s office to arrange community discussion regarding playground updates at LMAP lower schools
• PRESIDENT’S REPORT
  o EC meeting date is changing

Adjourn