

Midtown Neighborhood Association

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Agenda Board of Directors

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 14, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Location: 919 20th Street (Midtown Business Association)

Approx. Time	Approx. Duration	Topic	Presenter
6:00	5 min.	Welcome and introductions	
COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES			
6:05	10 min.	Sacramento Police Department	Lt. Adam Green
6:15	10 min.	Sacramento Fire Department	Chief Walt White
6:25	10 min.	Senator Richard Pan's Office	Jenny Bach
6:35	10 min.	Assemblymember McCarty's Office	Cierra Fischer
6:45	10 min.	Councilmember Steve Hansen's Office	Pete Fenolio
COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS			
		None this month	
COMMUNITY COMMENTS			
6:55	5 min.	Member/community comments for items not on agenda	
BOARD BUSINESS			
7:00	5 min.	Consent Calendar (minutes/treasurer's report see attachments)	
DISCUSSION & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS			
7:05	5 min.	Strategic Planning: Mission/vision workgroups	Ange
7:10	5 min.	Transportation committee	Louis/Aaron
7:15	5 min.	Affordability committee	Tim
7:20	5 min.	CSUS Interns	Ange
7:25	5 min.	Der Biergarten	Ange
7:30	5 min.	19J Project	
ACTION ITEMS			
7:35	5min.	C.O.R.E. letter of support	Marshall
7:40	5 min.	Meeting time (should we change meetings start time to 6:15 or 6:30 or leave it at 6 p.m.)	
BOARD COMMENTS			
7:45	5 min.	MNA board updates/comments for items not on agenda	
NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 12, 2016, at 6 p.m. at Midtown Business Association			

All meetings are conducted according to the MNA Code of Civility

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Code of Civility

Attachment 2: Minutes

Attachment 3: Treasurer's report

Attachment 4: Updates and upcoming events

Attachment 5: MNA letter on Lower American River Conservancy is available at:

http://www.midtownsac.org/uploads/6/9/1/6/69160703/joint_mna-nbna_river_support_letter.pdf

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MIDTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CODE OF CIVILITY

The Midtown Neighborhood Association seeks to ensure that our business is conducted in a respectful and courteous manner and in a way that generates respect and credibility for our association. Freedom of expression about public matters is a cornerstone of the democratic process. MNA welcomes diverse views and opinions as they relate to the issues before us. For these discussions to be meaningful and effective, we must treat others with respect and dignity. By participating in this meeting, attendees agree to:

1. Conduct themselves in a professional and civil manner at all times by always treating all people present with respect—even during differences of opinion.
2. Show courtesy to others by always turning phones off or to vibrate and not engaging in texting unless directly relevant to the meeting.
3. Not engage in private conversations or talk while another speaker has the floor until recognized by the meeting facilitator to speak.
4. Under no circumstances engage in or threaten to engage in any verbal or physical attack on any other individual.
5. Communicate ideas and points of view clearly, and allow others to do the same without interruption.
6. Not use language that is abusive, threatening, obscene, or slanderous; including profanities, insults, or other disparaging remarks or gestures.
7. Not use derogatory language about an individual's ethnicity, race, sexuality, age, disability, or religion.
8. Take responsibility for one's own actions, and work to find solutions to problems.
9. Abide by MNA meeting procedures and rules to create a safe and effective environment for conducting business.
10. Seek to present information truthfully, and not knowingly misrepresent, mischaracterize, or misquote information received from others.
11. Truly listen and hear other points of view and make the best possible effort to understand the issues before them.
12. Practice the art of being able to disagree without being disagreeable.
13. Be mindful of people's time by limiting comments to 2 minutes.

Attendees who do not conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner will be asked to leave the meeting.

**Midtown Neighborhood Association (MNA)
Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2016**

Board Members present: Angela Tillotson (Chair), Danny Yost (Vice Chair), Matthew Piner (Immediate Past Chair), Bill Rothwell (Treasurer), Betsy Rothwell (Secretary). Caity Maple, Louis Mirante, Jessica Sorensen, Tim Schmelzer, Marshall Stenson, Aaron Ward.

Absent: Natalee Vicencia, Esteban Heredia, Ed Donaghy.

Meeting held at Midtown Business Association office at 919 20th Street and called to order by Chair Angela Tillotson, at 6:04 p.m. Brief introductions were completed.

REGULAR UPDATES:

The Sacramento Police Dept., Assembly Member McCarty's Office, and Council Member Steve Hansen's Office gave updates. See <http://www.midtownsac.org/community-updates/august-2016-community-updates> for more details.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: (for items not on the agenda)

Megan Wygant, Executive Director for E. Claire Raley Studios for the Performing Arts (CLARA) provided an introduction and update on CLARA. See <http://www.midtownsac.org/community-updates/august-2016-community-updates> for more details.

BOARD BUSINESS:

- ❖ **Consent Calendar:** July Board Meeting Minutes and the Treasurer's report see the [Agenda Packet](#) for this meeting for more information.
 - Caity Maple moved to approve the Consent Calendar: (Minutes of the July meeting and Treasurer's report) **The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.**

DISCUSSION & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

❖ **National Night Out (NNO) Update:**

Congratulations to Jessica Sorensen for a well-organized and very successful Midtown National Night Out, held August 2, on 22nd St. between Capitol Ave. and Matsui Alley. Additional kudos to Ed Donaghy and Meeta Lele for the help they provided as well as all members who rolled up their sleeves for a good cause. The waterslide was a big hit especially as the mercury soared. Neighborhood children enjoyed the wet and wild ride.

As a result of NNO our neighborhood association gathered 23 new memberships. Thank you, Danny, Louis and Betsy for your sales efforts.

ACTION ITEMS:

- ❖ **Board Member Vacancy** On Friday, August 5, 2016, Nancy Finch sent a resignation email to Angela affective immediate. The board determined that nominations for the open seat be submitted by September 1, 2016.
- ❖ **2218 Capitol Avenue:** Mike Klein requested a letter of support from MNA for this project. The board discussed MNA's level of involvement and whether writing a 'no position' letter was in fact a statement in itself. The project will go to the Zoning and Preservation Director's meeting on August 18. Tim motioned to table the discussion. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.**
- ❖ **Transportation Committee:** Louis reported that the City presented the Bicycle Master Plan this week and it is 60 pages in length and includes long-term goals. The committee will analyze the document and report back to the board.
- ❖ **Social Media Policy:** Due a recent incident written on MNA's Facebook page the board discussed adopting a social media policy. Danny so moved, to adopt a social media policy regarding any comments posted on any of MNA's social media sites that contain profanity, attacks, or inappropriate content will be removed. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.**
- ❖ **Housing Affordability Committee:** The board discussed affordable housing and rents in Midtown and the need for MNA to be a proactive partner in this discussion. Tim so moved to that MNA form a committee to address this issue. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.** Committee members include: Tim (Lead), Jessi, Aaron, Esteban, Betsy and Angela.
- ❖ **Lower American River Conservancy:** The board discussed AB 1716 which creates a state conservancy program for the Lower American River. Caity so moved that MNA support AB1716. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.**
- ❖ **Meeting Length:** The board discussed lengthening the meeting times. The majority of members agreed to keep the meetings at two hours and consider lengthening meetings only on an as-needed basis.

Angela (chair) adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Attachment 3

Treasurer's Report: To be added upon completion

Updates and Upcoming Events

Updates and past events

- August 11, Angela met with strategic plan facilitator to map out timeline for completing the process.
- August 19, Railyards Grand Opening and First Bike Train Commute 8:30 a.m. at Railyards.
- August 20, Angela attended Preservation Sacramento Quarterly Roundtable meeting.
- August 24, Angela attended Washington Elementary reopening celebration from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Well attended and a lot of community engagement.
- August 25, First strategic planning workshop. Due to small number in attendance, it was decided that facilitator would send information to board members to fill out and return to facilitator.
- September 8, Angela and Matt attended Planning Commission and spoke as individual residents in support of 19J project.

Upcoming schedule and events

- September 15, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) informational meeting to discuss future opportunities for underused public vacant land and developing affordable housing. 10 a.m. at Commission Room, 801 12th Street, 2nd Floor
- September 17, movie in the park hosted by Councilmember Hansen: Zootopia at Washington Park
- September 19, MNA board private tour of CLARA.
- September 21, SHRA vacant lot strategy approval, 6 p.m. at Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission, 801 12th Street, 2nd Floor
- September 21, the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and CalEPA will host a workshop on the release of the [CalEnviroScreenVersion 3.0 draft](#). CalEnviroScreen is a mapping tool that helps identify California communities most affected by many sources of pollution, and where people are often especially vulnerable to pollution's effects. CalEnviroScreen uses environmental, health, and socioeconomic information to produce scores for every census tract in the state. Come to learn and provide input on this draft update to the tool.
- September 28, MNA board mission/vision workshop.
- October 8, [River City Market Place](#) in Fremont Park
- October 11, SHRA vacant lot strategy approval, 6 p.m. at Sacramento City Council