

**Midtown Neighborhood Association (MNA)
Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2016**

Board Members present: Angela Tillotson (Chair), Danny Yost (Vice Chair), Matthew Piner (Immediate Past Chair), Bill Rothwell (Treasurer), Betsy Rothwell (Secretary). Louis Mirante, Jessica Sorenson, Marshall Stetson, Aaron Ward.

Excused: Tim Schmelzer, Caity Maple and Natalie Vicencia.

Absent: Ed Donaghy.

Meeting held at Midtown Business Association office at 919 20th Street and called to order by Chair Angela Tillotson, at 6:17 p.m. Brief introductions were completed.

COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES:

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

BOARD BUSINESS:

❖ **Consent Calendar:**

- A motion to approve the October Board Meeting Minutes, and the Treasurer's report was made by Danny (Vice chair) and was **unanimously approved by voice vote.**

DISCUSSION & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

❖ **Strategic Plan Update:**

Angela reported on the strategic planning committee's last meeting of October 26 and the resulting core values that were developed as a result. The three core values of Diversity, Connectivity, and Sustainability will enable MNA to formulate a set of goals and develop a mission statement.

Housing and Affordability Committee Update:

The committee will hold their next meeting Tuesday, November 15th at Tim's house, he will email with updates.

ACTION ITEMS:

❖ **MNA Participation in Sacramento Neighborhood Coalition (SNC):**

Angela shared information about the SNC which includes several neighborhood associations, Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocate, AARP, and Environmental Council of Sacramento, to name a few along, with one of their goals to use vacant city parcels and

turn them into community land trusts. The land trusts would then be leased to residents to help them establish equity. Although, Midtown does not currently have any vacant parcels available for this project it is a worthwhile cause and the Coalition is requesting the board to consider membership.

Danny (Vice Chair), so moved that MNA join the Sacramento Neighborhood Coalition.
Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- ❖ Betsy reported that Article VIII, Section 5, under (The Treasurer's responsibilities) of the MNA bylaws needs to be amended under the second to the last responsibility, which states, "Prepare and distribute every **SEPTEMBER** the annual dues solicitation message and membership form." The discussion suggested the one-word change could be done by an email vote.
- ❖ Angela informed the board that MBA would be willing to allow MNA to continue to use their boardroom for our monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of the month from June through January, and the second Thursday of the month from February through May. Availability may change as MBA works to move to a larger location.

The Management Academy should start accepting enrollment applications in November/December; and the Planning Academy typically begins accepting applications in December/January. Interested members check the city website for more details.

Angela and Megan at CLARA discussed the possibility of MNA and CLARA having a monthly community dinner (potluck style) at CLARA.

Angela reminded members to start thinking about possible recommendations for our Community Partnership Awards.

An Uber/SacPD pilot project utilizing "Designated Loading Zones" was initiated recently at 10th Street and L and 28th and J. The pilot will provide users a designated pick up spot for rides. If this pilot project is successful Uber will likely expand to 16th and L as well as 20th K.

- ❖ Matt gave accolades to Danny for his outstanding contribution regarding the parking information he developed on MNAs website. Kudos Danny!

December 8-Planning and design Commission meeting

November 19- Preservation Quarterly Roundtable held and the public is invited

Angela, (chair) adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.