

**Midtown Neighborhood Association (MNA)
Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes
October 12, 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 Sorenson, Tim Schmelzer, Marshall Stetson, Aaron Ward, Esteban Heredia.

Absent: Natalee Vicencia, Ed Donaghy.

Meeting held at Midtown Business Association office at 919 20th Street and called to order by Chair Angela Tillotson, at 6:18 p.m. Brief welcome and introductions were completed.

COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES:

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

BOARD BUSINESS

❖ **Consent Calendar:**

- September Board Meeting Minutes, and the Treasurer's report.
- Danny Yost, (Vice chair) moved to approve the Consent Calendar. **The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.**

❖ **DISCUSSION & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- **Strategic Planning: Mission/vision workgroup Update:**
(Louis, Danny, Matt, and Angela)
The strategic planning workgroup shared the results of their planning sessions and the positive results that emerged. The team was led by Charissa Gorre who facilitated the group through a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) analysis process that narrowed MNA's core values into three groups. This process will enable MNA to set goals and develop a mission statement.
- **Parking Update**
Danny gave a report on temporary and permanent parking permits, spot zoning, meter parking, and event parking garages. The city has a new website called, Get Here Sac! (www.getheresac.com) that provides directions on getting from point A to B. Check out MNA website for more details about all parking concerns.
- **Housing & Affordability Committee update**
Tim Smelzer, committee lead, indicated that the group would be meeting sometime in November.

❖ **ACTION ITEMS:**

- **19th& J PROJECT:**

A 173-unit project of market rate dwellings ranging in size from 312-450 sq. ft. for the smaller units, to 750 sq. ft. for the larger. The building will provide about 50 parking spaces, bike and car sharing incentives, and will be solar energy efficient. Many of the smaller units will be furnished. Discussion followed, and Danny moved to write a letter of support for the project.

A Roll call vote was taken. 8 Members were in favor and 2 abstained. The Motion Passed.

❖ **BOARD COMMENTS**

- **Angela provided an MNA Board update on several items:**

- Several Board members completed a tour of a medical cannabis dispensary as well as a grow operation in south Sacramento.
- Efforts by the Sacramento Neighborhoods Coalition to create a Community Land Trust is in its early stages of researching the possibility of returning vacant parcels to the public to be used in the effort to provide affordable house in the area.
- There is an upcoming meeting of the Alliance of Neighborhood Associations that Ange will be attending.
- There an October 26th workgroup meeting for continuing to develop the MNA vision & strategic plan.
- An update on the schedule for construction of the bark park.

Angela (chair) adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.