# Midtown Neighborhood Association (MNA) Regularly Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting May 11, 2017 Minutes

**Board Members Present:** Angela Tillotson (Chair), Danny Yost (Vice Chair), Gabriela Chavez (Secretary), Jessica Sorensen (Treasurer), Betsy Rothwell, Bill Rothwell, Marshall Stenson, Kevin Boll, Larry Engelhardt Lee, Ryan VanZuylen, Tim Schmelzer, and Nicole Velasquez.

**Excused:** Louis Mirante, Michael Sayers

**Absent:** Esteban Heredia

Meeting held at C.O.R.E. Medical Clinic, 2104 Capitol Avenue and called to order by Chair Angela Tillotson, at 6:30 p.m. brief introductions were completed and meeting called to order.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES**

The Sacramento Fire Department, Police Department, Senator Pan's Office, Assemblymember McCarthy's Office, and Councilmember Hansen's Office gave updates.

- Fire Department: Fires at 17th and J auto body shop, 25th and I.
- Police Department:
  - o Traffic Enforcement Team: The conversation was centered on ally activation, pedestrian safety, and bike safety.
  - o Impact Team: The Impact Team focuses on assisting people experiencing homelessness and collaborates with local organizations.
  - Police Department will share bicycle rules and safety information with the Board to share on the Board's website
- Senator Pan's Office and Assembly McCarthy's Office: Legislative priorities, community takes on AB 1103. AB 1103 would allow bikers approaching a stop sign to make a turn or proceed through the intersection without stopping, unless safety considerations require otherwise.
  - o Assemblymember McCarty will have office hours
- **Councilmember Hansen's Office:** Upcoming event, Sunday Street. We run Broadway on Sunday, May 21 from 8 AM to 12 PM.

### **BOARD BUSINESSES**

Consent Calendar

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar without the Treasurer's report was made by Danny Yost and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Action Items

A motion to approve the Board retreat for June 17, 2017, from 12 PM to 4 PM with a \$100 budget was made by Danny Yost and unanimously approved by voice vote.

A motion to approve a pilot community meeting between today's date and the next month's meeting was made by Angela Tillotson and unanimously approved by voice vote.

Gaby and Nicole will assist in the preparation and outreach of this event. The purpose of this pilot meeting would be to evaluate if the Board could organize separate community meetings and Board meetings with the goal to have more focus and shorter meetings. Board members would pair, and possibly organize two meetings per year.

A motion to approve a one-time payment of \$125 for MNA to become a member of Impact Foundry, with all MNA board members having access to Impact Foundry resources, with board members being responsible for any additional costs, if they choose to attend training classes, was made by Angela Tillotson and unanimously approved by voice vote.

# **DISCUSSIONS AND INFORMAL ITEMS**

- The Housing and Affordability Committee will prepare a letter regarding the Downtown Specific Plan in which the Board will state that community benefits include affordability, mixed-use projects, street lighting. The Committee will meet on June 6, 2017, at 6:30 PM to draft and approve the letter.
- Midtown resident Sue Mortensen presented information on how to be trained and participate in the "Save the Elms Program."
- Angela Tillotson shared general updates and reminders about the Amgen Tour, for people
  to renew their "T" Residential Parking Permits before May 31, and that the Alliance meeting
  notes from the meeting with the Mayor and Councilmember Hanses are on the MNA
  website.

# **BOARD COMMENTS/ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA/FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

- Danny Yost will look at traffic data and statistics.
- Danny Yost and Louis will work on bike transportation priorities.
- The Board will review the city's proposed budget.
- Danny will send a doodle poll survey to provide an introductory meeting with the new board members.
- MNA board member Kevin Boll and Midtown resident Clara Smith will work on a plan to increase the Board's presence with the community. Specifically, they will find "captains" in the community who will communicate and report the community's needs and concerns. Kevin presented a tentative map to divide the neighborhood in 14 different zones.

Chair Angela adjourned the meeting at 8:52 PM.