

Notes from the Fulton NRP meeting of June 3, 2015

Present

John Finlayson, Jim Tincher and Ruth Olson

Minutes

The committee approved the minutes of the 5/6 /15 meeting.

Calendar

The next FNN will go out in early July.

At the FNA Meeting on 6/10 we will take a “Dotmocracy” vote of priorities for the \$5K grant received from Church of the Good Shepherd. Ruth will compile all suggestions and print out on poster size for ease. Jim will ask for a subgroup of 3 people or so to refine the results and come up with a final recommendation. Ruth will continue advertising the vote in e-news and social media.

Streetscape

The Visioning Committee met and Steve Young is working on another draft.

Community Engagement

The Festival Planning Committee met once so far. There is a new Silent Auction Coordinator.

Safety

Number of incidents in Fulton has been low this month. Jim was interviewed for a news story on Channel 5 today regarding the need for Block Leaders and door knocking efforts by MPD.

Grant program

The SW High School grant supported artist and band performance was on 5/18. Bart took a couple of pictures and has asked for a brief description for the newsletter.

Pershing Park improvements

All of the paperwork for the Plan Mod, NPP and contracts have been completed. The preliminary installation date is late August. FNA will hold off on signing the contracts and let the \$5K grant determination play out just in case additional shade structures are chosen.

NRP Funds Review Draft

Both Jim and John attended the City meeting on 5/14. The City Council is just trying to bring definition to the unused NRP funds. Jim and John recommend not providing a response. Even though FNA falls within the acceptable range for remaining funds, we could consider a community meeting within the next year to take a closer look at our Phase I funds.

Blueprint for Equitable Engagement

The City has also drafted a five page document outlining changes to the way neighborhood associations and the City Boards and Commissions will operate and be accountable in terms of racial disparities. Other neighborhoods are looking in to setting up a meeting with our NCEC Commissioner (Denis Houle) and possibly one of the appointed Commissioners to openly discuss.

MPRB

MPRB will be doing Community Engagement this summer surrounding the capital shortfall and need for park buildings.