**February 10, 2018**

**Memorial United Methodist Church**

**Windsor Park Neighborhood Association Minutes**

1. **Welcome:**

Meghan welcomed new neighbors, sponsors and newsletter deliverers. She also encouraged people to renew their membership. We currently have 176 people who have renewed. Our goal for membership is 350.

1. **Citizen’s Communication:**

***Jeanette Swenson:*** It’s My Park Day is March 3 in the morning. [www.austinparks.org](http://www.austinparks.org) WP has a project at Pomerleau, 1906 Patton Lane. It’s a blank slate and not open to the public, so come check it out. Bartholomew Park will have project in the park too.

***Nadia Khan:*** thanked Jeanette and John White for saving our creek yesterday from 8 shopping carts that were pushed into the creek.

***Austin Achieve:*** New elementary school at 290 and 183. Enrolling for all grades, Free charter school, free buses.

***Manuel:*** Services changes are discriminatory to Northeast Austin. Came to hear the Cap Metro presentation.

***Dan Strub:*** Candidate Forum this Thursday at the gym at Memorial United Methodist Church. Almost all candidates will attend. We’ll be using a “candi-dating”- this is a small. Group discussion format.

***Kate Garrett:*** Parent and PTA member of Blanton Elementary. Working on a renovation of outdoor spaces. “Cultivate a Love of Learning” fundraising campaign. They hope to make the outdoor spaces beautiful and handicapped accessible. Hoping to raise $10,000 this month. Edbacker.com is where you can go to donate online. If you don’t have access to the internet, you can drop donations at the front desk.

III. **Minutes Approval:** Motion made to approve minutes was seconded. All approved.

IV. **Yard of the Month:** Martha & John Vogel. Martha and her family will receive a $50 gift certificate from Shoal Creek Nursery. Bluebonnets will be coming up soon. They have rain barrels at every corner of the house. Larger cistern to collect many gallons of water. Yard to Market: Help farmers sell their excess produce. They have a website if you’re interested.

V. **Judicial Candidate Forum:**

***Judicial 459th:***

**Greg Hitt:**  Progressive Democrat. Board certified in family law, mediator. Active in the democratic committee. Endorsed by council members, Central Austin Democrats and others.Lived in this community for 40 years. Wife is former Reagan Raider. [www.hittforjudge.com](http://www.hittforjudge.com)

**Aurora Martinez Jones:** Currently an associate judge, only candidate who has judicial experience. First generation American. Went to UT. Minority Women Pursuing Law was started at UT by her. Had a law office in the WP neighborhood. Endorsed by Black Austin Democrats and others. <https://www.auroramartinezjones.com/>

**Maya Guerra Gamble**: <https://www.mayaguerragamble.com/> went to Yale for college and law school. Graduate of Austin High. Has worked at DOJ in DC. Has her own private firm, specializes in Child Protective Services.

***Judicial 331st:***

**David Crain:** incumbent judge, been in Austin since 1970. Worked at People’s Free Clinic. Wife is court reporter for a civil judge. Experienced trial judge.Started mental health docet and additional programs. <http://www.judgedavidcrain.com/>

**Chantel Eldridge:** Trial attorney for 20 years. Works with victimized women. Signs available for yards if anyone is interested. <https://www.voteforchantal.com/>

***County Court #5:***

**Nancy Hohengarten:** Experience as a prosecutor and defense attorney, current incumbent since 2004. <http://www.judgehohengarten.com/>

**Mario Florez:** Former city planner in Austin. Chairman of the board for the American Cancer Society. <http://www.mariofloresforjudge.com/>

***County Court #3:***

**Paul Quinzi:** <https://www.quinziforjudge.com/> 15 years of Criminal Law Practice.

**John Lipscombe:** 20 years as a prosecutor, 7 years as a judge. <http://johnforjudge.com/about-john/> Endorsed by many democratic clubs and several Bar Associations.

VI. **Updates on June 2018 Service Changes: Cap Metro:**

***(Robert Gonzalez, Director of Service Planning at Capital Metro)***

Connections 2025- transit plan for the future, 15 minutes or better, 7 days a week. Goal is for more reliable and more efficient service. Highlights for WP: Route 10 on Berkman will replace Route 300. Straight down Berkman through Red River. Route 300 will shift to an east/west service. Route 37 and 320 along Cameron Road, services replaced by Route 300

Changes to Metro Access: Shouldn’t be any changes to Metro Access with the service changes planned for June.

Pick up by Metro: Download the app and make a request for a ride within a certain zone. It was a pilot program to see how well it worked. Cap Metro would like to replicate this is areas where the fixed route bus is not the answer, this could be the answer. Pilot ends June 2. ([www.capmetro.org/pickup/](http://www.capmetro.org/pickup/)) Hours were expanded and they were able to double the ridership. This is open to anyone, no restrictions and it’s free.

Questions? Email feedback@capmetro.org

Phone: 512-474-1200

Web: capmetro.org/june2018 (interactive route-by-route map)

Q: What considerations are being made for areas where routes were reduced?

Some areas have had routes reinstated because of public feedback.

Q: Is St. John’s Library in the Cap Metro pick up now that our library is closed?

Yes. The service does extend to that area.

Q: Cameron and Dessau road. No real bus line that goes north of Rundberg Lane.

We are looking at that. Concerns were voiced about the amount of new residents in that area.

Q: Rogge and Manor?

A: Route 300 will be shifted and will occur at 51st and Manor and that will reduce the amount of activity in that area.

Q: How much coordination has been done with the city re: CodeNext? Ex: Major corridor on Cameron Road.

A: As things develop, we will adjust our plans. Nothing specific at this time.

VII. **Treasurer’s Report: Meg Brooks**

Scholarships funds: $6000+. Audit is planned for the end of February. We found Delwood Little League and gave them our last two years of donations. They will be at a future meeting.

VIII. **Committee Reports:**

***Parks-*** Beautification meeting and Friends of Tannahill Branch and Parks are working to set a schedule for future workdays. These dates will be posted online and in the WOW. Friday, Feb 16 Jeanette will meet with the a parks manager to talk about the scope of work with Urban Forestry and Parks and Recreation and Jimmy Cone, 9 am.

***Schools-*** Juan Pablo Martinez; Scholarship application is up and running on the website.[www.windsorpark.info/scholarship](http://www.windsorpark.info/scholarship) Application deadline is March 26. If you’d like to donate, see Meghan or Juan Pablo. Series of financial aid workshops at Feb 24 at LBJ and Feb 28 at Reagan. AISD is having a series of community input for the budget setting process to identify priorities. Feb 13-16. See Juan Pablo if you are interested, more information will be posted on the WP Facebook page and Windsor Families page.

***Transportation-***Tim Simons, safety on Cameron Road is our big goal this year. Plotting out a map of the corridor from 51st to 290. That will be at the April block party. Stickers where you can write concerns. We’ll also come up with a survey about the Cameron Corridor to get ideas and concerns. Hope is to bring some solutions to the city.

IX. **Goals for 2018:**

Meghan shared goals for the neighborhood that were discussed at the WPNA retreat in

January: **Improving transportation, aesthetics, and safety by:**

Getting a corridor study started for Cameron Road

**Improving the appearance of the neighborhood by:**

Focusing on continued beautification efforts (clean up, art projects, plantings, YOM)

**Streamlining and communicating committee goals and activities by:**

Encouraging increased collaboration across the committees, organizing joint meetings between committee chairs, committee chairs attending executive meetings (first 15 minutes), writing and sharing condensed minutes to executivecommittee@windorpark.info and send out to the Yahoo listserv/Facebook

X. **ANC update:**

No agenda for the next meeting. CodeNext will likely be the focus. Plan 3 for CodeNext coming out next week. Will be discussed at the March meeting.

XI. **Announcements:**

***WOW:*** Five days away for submissions to the newsletter. We have an initiative and effort to be more prompt. So please be prompt with your announcements.

***Elections:*** March 6 is the Election Day and Early Voting is Feb 20-March 2.

***Rick, Mueller Commission***: Meets on Feb 13. Agenda includes a Vision Zero update. Safety discussion update.

***Contact Team:*** Monday, Feb. 12 at 6:30 pm, presentation about the development on Berkman. University Hills Library. Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.