



JPNA Neighborhood Meeting Minutes
Wednesday February 22, 2023, 6:00pm

Chair: Joan Daniels

Introductions and Appreciations:

Present: Rosemary Bolza, Erin Posthumous, Joan Daniels, Jeanne Calhoun, Lisa Jones, Jon Heine, Laurel-Heather Milden, Colleen Nichols, Cindy Doklan, Mary Worthen, Judy Janson, Tom Tobin, Mary Alexander, Kat Mattimoe, Michael Healy, Alison Meadow, Mike Atwood, Peg Webber, Zac Lacy, Joan Hall, Allison Dunn

Absent: Bob Schlanger, Shannon Lindemer

Excused: Trish Gehlen, Joanne Osuna

Guests: Nicholas McCullough: Adelita Grijalva's District 5 Office, Jesse Soto - Department of Transportation and Mobility

Guest Reports: **Jesse Soto** attended the meeting to discuss the many different traffic calming proposals. **Mountain Speed Tables:** Petitions looked great; however, Mountain is an inverted road which means the road is shaped to force the water away from residential side streets. If speed tables were added it would impede the flow and could cause potential flooding. There are two more speed tables being added near Salpointe High School. The roads in that section are shaped to force water into scuppers so they will not impede water flow. The measure of flooding is based on the 100-year event. Emergency Services were not concerned with speed tables.

Other Options: 1. Speed tables with wider openings so water could flow through- not feasible as then cars would drive in the opening and thus not slow down. 2. Lower speed limit to 25MPH. 3. Hawk crossing at Mountain and Helen, possibility, but might cause traffic to back up on Speedway during high traffic times. 4. Ask that the parking garage to close the Mountain exit. 5. Rumble strips, tried in another neighborhood the neighbors nearest the road asked for them to be removed as they were too noisy. 6. Zebras pilot program on Main St. 7. Planters. 8. Artwork.

MOTION: to send a letter to Mayor and Council asking the council to consider lowering the speed limit on Mountain from 30MPH to 25 MPH. **Tom Tobin 2nd.** **The motion,** motion passed with 10 yays and 2 nays.

Jesse Soto will follow up with M&C, then the City Manager. Prop 411 \$ may help with these projects. Applications for this money may begin in March or April, projects would start in 2024.

Questions from the floor: Can we narrow Mountain and widen the bike pathway to slow down traffic? This was done a few years ago. The road must be 22' wide to accommodate fire trucks.

Nicholas McCullough shared that the art contest had 317 submissions this year and only 123 last year. On March 11th there will be a Work Force Development Resource Fair for Youth. Flyers were distributed.

Business

Approval of Minutes - Minutes Judy Janson 1st, Cindy Doklan 2nd, all in favor minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer's Report accepted as reported. Total Assets: \$14,714.71.

Rosemary Bolza announced the committee membership and new Member's at Large for 2023.

Members at Large Appointed-

Mary Alexander and Cindy Doklan

New Committee Chairs Appointed-

Michael Healy has agreed to chair the Green Committee, Cindy Doklan has agreed to chair the Traffic Committee.

Standing Committees

- **Nominating Committee** - (Laurel-Heather Milden)-Mary Alexander has joined the board as a Member at Large.
- **Communications** - (Joan Daniels) waiting for City to update the new board on the city website.
- **Program Committee** - (Laurel-Heather Milden) –Judy Janson has joined this committee.

Ad Hoc Committees

Land Use – (Joan Hall) – no report

Banner – Next meeting is 4/6. We have just started getting the report documenting the number of calls from neighbors- 90 helicopters, 20 phone calls.

Traffic Committee- (Cindy Doklan) A spreadsheet was shared documenting progress. The committee needs volunteers to gather signatures for the Seneca/Tyndall project.

International School (Colleen Nichols). March 4, will be the International Day Festival: food, games, crafts, dancing etc.. Annual Fund-Raising Dinner will be April 16. There will be a silent auction as well. Two speed humps (IST and JP) have been ordered should be installed over spring break.

Red Tag- no report

Grant Rd Coalition - (Joan Daniels) –Joan D is working on the rewrite of the white paper to encourage green space, 1 block east and 1 block west.

Green Committee - (Michael Healy) - working on pulling out buffelgrass.

Clean Committee - (Joanne Osuna) – Still cleaning the parklet every month.

Central Segments Safety Committee - (Rosemary Bolza) Rosemary is trying to meet with the two new Community Officers to increase the size of the coalition.

Reps to the Community

TEP – (Colleen Nichols) – Mayor and Council voted unanimously to hold a special election on May 16th to renew and slightly increase the franchise fee. This renewal via election must occur at least once every 25 years. TEP and the City of Tucson are asking for a .75% increase, which will go towards undergrounding power lines, specifically part of the Kino to DeMoss-Petri Transmission Line Project, and to support other environmental/climate resiliency projects. The franchise fee will go from 2.25% to 3%, an increase of 93 cents per household per month. The Steering Committee of the Undergrounding Coalition considers this as a good way to fund undergrounding lines while attending to other climate issues such as, more EV charging stations, removing ghost poles that are used by other companies like Verizon, T-Mobile, etc.

Campus Community Relations Committee (CCRC) - (Rosemary Bolza) Information in the E-news

Friends of Jefferson Park, Inc. (Joan Daniels) Liz Burrola has agreed to be the new secretary. Kat Mattimoe is a new member. FOJP will be considering some fundraising events for JP. One idea is a silent auction in November to commemorate the 125-year anniversary, it would include food trucks, possible home tours and etc. A planning committee will be formed in February or March. Laurel-Heather Milden offered to be on the committee.

Projects Reports

Grant Rd. /Euclid Sign - (Joan Daniels) – need volunteers to help install the sign

QR Codes – (Colleen Nichols, Joan Daniels) no report

Area Representative Reports: - no report

Little Free Library: - (Mary Worthen) - still needs door repaired

New Business:

Plant Sale (Laurel-Heather Milden) Still need plants, pots, potting soils, yard art, tools and etc. Laurel-Heather will bring a signup sheet to the March meeting for volunteer shift during the sale. LHM gave Tom Tobin 100 pots for his annual contribution of milkweeds. Joan Daniels is growing lots of plants. Coleen, Kat and Joan are painting pots and making rock gardens.

Meeting Facilitators:

February 22: Joan Daniels, March 22 – **Trish Gehlen**, April 19 *Quarterly Meeting* – **Rosemary Bolza**,
May 24 – **Joanne Osuna**, June 28 - **Jeanne Calhoun**, July 26 *Quarterly Meeting* - **Laurel Heather Milden**; August recess;
September 27 – **Bob Schlanger**, October 25 *Quarterly Meeting* – **Cindy Doklan**, November 15 – **Erin Posthumus**,
December 13 – **Name**

Meeting ended: 7:35 pm

Next Meeting: March 22, 2023