

## JPNA MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 6:00 pm, Virtual

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### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

**Present:** Joan Daniels, Joan Hall, Joanne Osuna, Colleen Nichols, Mary Worthen, Jon Heine, Dorothy Richmond, Lisa Jones, Andrew Halper, Erin Posthumus, Alan Huerta, Melanie Fan, Arlethe Morrison (PC District 5) **Absent:** Michael Crawford, Trish Gehlen, Tom Tobin, Ricardo Pereyda, Bob Schlanger, Louie Werthmuller,

### 2. APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS AT LARGE

Michael Crawford, Joan Daniels, Joan Hall, Ricardo Pereyda, Bob Schlanger, and Tom Tobin

VOTE TO APPROVE: Motion to appoint new board members by Joan and then seconded by Jon, approved after noting that most of the MAL were not present.

### 3. BUSINESS MEETING

**Approval of January minutes** Motion to Approve by Joan Hall seconded by Joanne Osuna accepted.

**JPNA Treasurer's monthly report** (Joanne O.) 46 new members from January 18th through 2/18. See Treasurer's Report, Approved

**STANDING COMMITTEES** See Consent Agenda

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES** See below and Consent Agenda

**TEP PROJECT:** (Colleen N., Joan D.)- Undergrounding Coalition seeks to retain attorney; discussion and approval of pledging funds from Legal Reserve. Sam Hughes Neighborhood is interviewing attorneys to fight the poles and try to get them underground. So far met with two attorneys but both had a conflict of interest so the search continues. Friends of JP has committed \$1000 and JPNA will as well but will table the vote until an attorney has been located. Action: move to table vote by Joan Hall, seconded by Joanne Osuna, approved.

**LAND USE COMMITTEE REPORT:** (Joan H) Update: **ADU's** – Joan H. sent letter to Paul D regarding this initiative, and JP concern about undermining R-1. LUC met on 2/16-Updates City initiated a change to the Land Use Code to allow ADU's. A stakeholders group has been meeting. Joan Hall has the minutes if anyone is interested. They are holding 2 public meetings (one 2/24 and one on 2/25). 10 neighborhoods have created a drop box, position paper and a letter to the city stating the concerns this initiated may have on historic neighborhoods in that it would allow for increased student housing, ABNB and traffic.

**5G Towers** Small Cell towers are being erected all over town with no concern for individual property. Decrease of property values by 20%, pull up trees and could be erected in front yards. Asking the city to call for a 6 month moratorium. City did not vote in favor of the moratorium. Everyone encouraged to sign the petition and to email the state representatives to oppose HB271. Andres Cano – [acano@azleg.gov](mailto:acano@azleg.gov) Alma Hernandez - [ahernandez@azleg.gov](mailto:ahernandez@azleg.gov) . Arlethe Morrison, Special Assistant to Ms. Grijalva, Supervisor, District 5, stated that they will be sending a letter as well.

**NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** (Zach M., Joan H)

**TRAFFIC CIRCLE:** Proposal for entryway sign at Hampton/Edison traffic circle-up to \$300 approved Dec. meeting. Wording changed to Jefferson Park Historic District. Met Jesse Soto, TDOT, on site. Sign has initial approval with slight reduction, Zach to resubmit plans, covenant agreement to be signed. Monument Sign at Grant/1<sup>st</sup> discussed-project plan to be submitted to JPNA board. See Safety Committee

**TRAFFIC** (Joan H., Colleen, Michael C.):

1. (Michael C.) Road condition issues to be brought up with the Ward 3 office. Update? (no update)
2. Park Tucson Funds available. Jesse Soto asked to review traffic needs & provide suggestions- There is \$5000 available that can be used for traffic calming measures such as traffic circles, speed bumps or chicanes. Information

will be shared and where these calming measures may be placed and JP will need to raise additional funds as the \$5000 will not cover the total cost.

**CENTRAL SEGMENTS SAFETY COMMITTEE:** (*Rosemary Bolza*) The Safety Committee will begin meeting monthly on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Issues that have been discussed are: Speeding, cutting through the neighborhoods, theft from cars, trespassing (city wide) and mail theft. If your mail has been stolen please report to the PO the telephone number is on their website and in our e-news.

**FRIENDS:** (*Joanne O.*)

- approved initial pledge of \$1000 to TEP underground lines- attorney
- approved \$150 toward Hampton/Edison entrance sign
- Donations over \$1000, 3x number of donors than last year. Added a New Pay Pal button on website to allow donors to pick which group their money will go.
- Approved \$50 for 5G signs.

**GRANT ROAD COALITION REPORT:** (*Joan D., Colleen N.*) Linear Park update: 2/7/21 meeting with LH and Bob to stake additional trees. Trees at no cost from TFT; ensured historic marker placement; park sign – out with contractors for initial bid. Historic markers in process. Thanks Bob and Marsha for placing stakes. The signs have been approved and are now 6ft instead of 7ft. We asked that the statement Park in designated areas only to be removed as there is no place to park. Requested signs be added stating no parking in alley. The linear park was mentioned by the new Director of Parks and Recs at the mayor council budget meeting as the newest park. A letter was sent to the new P&R Director asking when we might expect the irrigation and holes to be ready for JP to install the donated trees. The Historic Markers are almost ready.

**Aside:** Lisa Jones asked if we might be able to ask Banner to consider adding some shade trees to the area near the picnic tables. Colleen stated she will attempt to follow up with Banner.

**PROJECTS REPORTS**

**LITTLE FREE LIBRARY:** (*Mary W*) Broken right door. It is still broken. Mary shared that a person had stopped her and offered to fix it. Mary will call him and see if this is possible. Also Mary will send out a request on the listserv to see if anyone in JP might be able to weld the broken hinge.

**PLANT SALE:** (*Laurel- Heather*) sale for the spring. Still collecting soil, pots, garden items, etc. Colleen and LH will discuss potential dates. A former JP resident donated pots and other plant items to Joan Daniels. Joan is busily sorting, cleaning and painting the pots.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1) Helicopter reports being tracked by JP – please report helicopters over Jefferson Park. If we do not report it looks as if there is not a problem. Please report any helicopters overhead in JP. Joan D and CV collecting data for Banner Meeting. There have been 50-60 non-compliant fly-overs and then when they leave they are non-compliant as well.

2) 5G poles watch and report to Ward III. Issue of safety being raised at M&C meetings. Vote for \$50 towards 5G signs. Majority approved the money towards the signs. They will be put all over town as it is a town wide issue. You are encouraged to all Ward 3 and share your concerns about the poles. A primer is being developed on how to deal with this in your neighborhood. It was also suggested that we consider an ordinance that will require all the companies at least use the same poles. AZ Daily Star did a story about the poles. Arlethe shared that Mayor Romero wrote a letter to the state reps stating her concerns with the poles.

**AREA REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS** No report

**CONSENT AGENDA (WILL NOT BE DISCUSSED UNLESS NECESSARY)**

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**CLEAN UP COMMITTEE:** (*J. Osuna*) 3rd Saturday, 8:00 AM, Edison Parklet Clean Ups.

**CCRC:** (*Lisa J., Rosemary B., Joan D.*) Tree Canopy subcommittee is just getting started. A link to the CCRC zoom meetings will be sent to board members.

**LEND A HAND:** (*Trish G., Lisa J*) Potential small yard sales in early 2021. We are trying to do what we can to help get homebound seniors the Covid-19 vaccine.

**GREEN COMMITTEE:** (*J. Hall*) (*Erin*). Working with UA Dept of Sustainability, Hydro Cats- cleaned basins on 2/23.

**Ward 3 Rain Harvesting Garden** has been destroyed by a team of landscapers. The garden is maintained by the watershed group but somehow these landscapers came in and pulled everything up. A letter was written to the new Parks and Rec director stating out dismay with the destruction of the garden. The director stated it will be replanted.

**ADOPT A PARK clean committee:** (*Joanne O*) Requested City of Tucson to check irrigation on the linear park frontage road at Campbell because Aleppo's are dying. Also reported to Banner dead trees and trash.

**TRAFFIC** (*Joan H., Colleen, Michael C.*): Zoom meeting with Jesse Soto, etc re: traffic issues in JP. City will place signs to slow and watch for pedestrians at 5 locations on Mountain between Grant and Speedway, estimated arrival May 2021, and Traffic Scouts to monitor speed.

**INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** (*Colleen*): New Head of School- Jessica Palma. Community member still sought to serve on the board. Tax credit donations still accepted. International cookbook will go on sale soon.

**TRRG:** (*Joan H*) taking a stand on ADU's

**STANDING COMMITTEES:STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Nominating Committee-** (*LH Milden, Judy J*)

**Public Relations** (*J. Daniels, J. Osuna, E. Posthumus*) *J. Daniels, C. Nichols*) Shared Constant Contact during a Ward III training, Jan 21. Updated website with links to mtgs., agendas,

**Program Committee** *LH Milden, D. Richmond*)

**Fundraising Committee** -(*Joan H.*) Members needed

**NEW BUSINESS**

1) Illegal rental signs in Jefferson Park: Euclid (Casa Bonita), Edison and Hampton (Goodman) (addressed)

2) Mortar Board cleaned up in JP on 2/20 a letter was sent to thank them for all their help.

**NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021**

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