**MACA Minutes April 5, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by President Jim McCarty at 7pm. Jim introduced the officers and trustees present- Sue Zimmerman Secretary, Jenny Ferneding –Clean, Safe and Attractive, Russ Ferneding Civic Improvement Projects, Frank Obermeyer- Community Life and Janet Steiner – By-laws.

**Police Report:**  Officer Tim Eppstein and Captain Davis were present. Officer Eppstein passed out contact cards. If there are repeat problems, especially on the weekends, contact him. But, report incidents to the non-emergency number 765-1212. Make sure to give a specific location and clearly state the problem. Most importantly give your name. If the situation is immediate, call 911. Again be very specific, give your name, and be willing to meet with police. If there is a problem with a bar, evidence needs to be gathered when a liquor license comes up. If you call and don’t leave a name, the report doesn’t become part of evidence. The City Council Law and Safety Committee is meeting on April 11th at 10 a.m. If you have problems with the weekend events, you can go, sign up and get to present your situation in two minutes. Getting a liquor license pulled is not easy. It takes time and documentation. This will take community working together. Officer Eppstein has done this previously with OTR. Jim McCarty added that at the Business and Tavern Guilds meeting worked on getting on the same page to eventually sign an agreement with MACA regarding a good neighborhood template. Also at the meeting the business is working on a universal dress code for the bars and restaurants. Captain Davis said the Business Guild must become in unison to police by themselves. Andrew Schlanser and Brandon Scott Perry the managers of Chapter summed it up best – If we do our job there will be no problem. Captain Davis will meet with Longworth’s with an issue with the Ultra lounge and the other bar on the same premises. You can’t have two separate bars at one location. Captain Davis was up on the Hill last Saturday night to witness the environment first hand. So if community norms, are in place (agreed by business and MACA) and broken the violation can be written up. The big picture is that this is a bar issue and she can’t take police off violent crime. Businesses must take care of their businesses. Captain Davis over the next 4 weekends will have three police to attack this problem. Again, if you call 911 identify yourself, give a concise locations, if asked say you will see a cop. Email Jim McCarty to say you made the call so the Civic Association is in the loop. jimmccarty@fuse.net . Another problem is on a liquor license transfers that there is only a week to investigate. It would help, if you go to the Law and Safety meeting, to mention that more time is needed to investigate at least 30 days.

Questions…What if the problem is off the main bar area? Call 765-1212 to document the problem. Questionable activities in the park? Report especially since the park is closed after 10 pm, so there should be no activity. What about noise level? Call 765-1212 give name…It can be checked out. Most bars have decibel meters, and police can check it. What about the homeless camp near 5th St.? There are tents and a grill set up. It is being checked into.

Minutes : Chuck Curran moved to accept the last month’s minutes; Maryellen Horrigan seconded…Approved.

**President’s Report:**  Jim McCarty reported for Kurt Meier on the Planning and Development results on 1201 Elsinore. The developer has given up on seeking a Planned Development zoning. It will move for an RM 0.7 with no variances needed. This code states the overall average height of the building must be 50.69 feet. The developer also agreed to have permanent green space on either end of the building. Questions …What if the building doesn’t follow code? Camden will have to create plans to present to the city that will have to be accepted by the city. After the city approves the plan, the city is in charge of making sure the plans are followed.

**Guest:** Daunielle Rassmussen, Education and Outreach –Playhouse in the Park…Daunielle presented the new programs designed to promote community engagement which is a growing art form in the theater movement. PIP has many outreach programs…Off the Hill Tour now has its opening at the playhouse then goes to schools and local community centers. On off night programs are also happening. Activities for families and Summer Camp are happening. There are audience engagement activities in the lobby also pre-show panel discussions.

**CRC** Steve Mittendorf…The pool with be opening on June 6th with head lifeguard Ellis Williams. Swim lessons can be obtained online. Early Bird passes are $25. [www.cincyrec.org](http://www.cincyrec.org). There is a work order in for bench repairs.

**Treasurer’s Report:**  Tom Abare…Emailed membership...+$510 (5 lifetime 1 annual) Grapevine +$1,695.00(spring issue ads) Cinema + $1,000 -5th/3rd sponsor -$540.00 2015 movie rental invoices just received…Misc. -$148.59 meeting expense United Neighborhoods. Balance: 3/31 $37,177.

**MABA:** Sue Zimmerman…**March Clean Up** very successful…bad weather still 33 people showed up. Thanks to Bow Tie for the meeting place and coffee. Thanks to Pavilion for a great lunch…Business Pots will be planted on May 7th…. Ida Street Bridge Flower boxes are scheduled to be installed April 20. WOW will be doing the initial planting May 11.The Gator will be back in April..**Garden Stroll Update**….Tickets go on sale May 1st to the 31st online website or contacting me at my email or stopping by my house suejzimmerman@gmail.com. May pre-sale price is $25. Online web purchases close down on May 31st. Pre-sale price is good until June 7th from me. After and on the Night of the Stroll tickets will be $30. Live music, beer, wine and lite bites will be in the gardens. If any of the bars are serving the beer from Stegnaro that are in the gardens, we would like to put a poster up. If you want to serve a special drink we would like have it on a handout to give when we sell tickets. There is a pre-party for sponsors, garden owners, vendors, musicians, and hostesses on June 13th at the Meiers’ house…Cocktails and lite bites 6-7:30 then 7:30-9:00 tour of the gardens. June 14th…Ticket sales beginning at 4pm between Monk’s and Next Chapter; across behind the Monk the vendors be selling. Gardens open for touring 5-9 pm. There will be the Monk bus and two mini-vans that will serve as shuttles for those who don’t wish to walk from garden to garden.

 **Clean, Safe, and Attractive:**  Jenny Ferneding…Trees on St. Gregory to be planted; they are on the schedule to be planted by the end of May. Streets were cleaned March 21st ; the request was put in for Reindog. We can’t control when cleaning happens. Fix it Cincinnati is really effective way to get city action. The week of June 6th MACA and MABA have hired Fredrick’s Landscaping to clean up all the steps cutting trees back and picking up litter. Comments: A tree hole at Crowley’s needs fixing. Hatch and Beleverdere has a city can that is always knocked over on the weekends. Contact Fix-it Cincinnati.

**Membership:** Jim Horrigan… Five new members… To sign up see the back page of the Grapevine.

**NSP:** Terri Abare … no report

**Business Guild:** Maryellen Horrigan… Use 765-1212 to report problems to build a jacket on problems. You must give your name. Be specific. The will be a universal Dress Code for all the bars. There is an 80% chance that Northside Bank will be coming to the Hill. The roof top lights will go on at closing on the weekends. There will be 3 extra cops during April; two on foot and one in a cruiser. The Saki Lounge is being turned into a hair salon (on the corner of Pavilion and St. Gregory).

**Grapevine:** Maryellen Horrigan… Deadline for the summer issue is May 1st.

**Community Life:** Frank Obermeyer…**Cinema in the City** -Pat Feghali is looking for more sponsors for this season's Cinema in the City. Contact Pat Feghali at p.feghali@gmail.com or call or text 513-746-5520.  Everyone who donates gets his/her name on a poster on display at the events. Levels of donations: Corporate Sponsor Levels: Executive Producer/Headline Series Sponsor…$3,000. Producer/Sponsor One Movie …$1,500  Director…$1,000 Writer …$500 Individual/ Family Sponsor Levels: Movie Star $500…Supporting Actor $250…Sidekick $100 Extra $50.**The movies** – Little Shop of Horrors –June 23…Back to the Future – July 28… Airborne – Aug. 19. **Art Walk** The first Mt. Adams Art Walk of 2016 is coming up fast. There will be three Art Walks this year, the second Saturdays of May and June, then again in September in association with the big Summerfair event. Marcey Bullerman will be coordinating with the Community Life Committee at the next meeting. **HCI Gym** -Greg Tilsley continues to be very generous with his time and talents. Greg met with members of the Community Life Committee at his offices on March 30th. Greg walked the group through some high level thoughts and cost estimates. He plans to provide some more detailed estimates in the coming weeks. These will help form a basis for future discussion. **Pool -**A cost estimate for new and replacement pool furniture is being prepared and will be submitted at the next MACA trustee meeting. **Greater Cincinnati Games** Margaret Mock is leading up Mt. Adams' participation in the Greater Cincinnati Games, a sort of city-wide Olympics.   Call Margaret if you have any questions.  She can be reached at 513-403-1778. A number of "qualifying" events will be held in the coming months to identify representatives of Mt. Adams, who must "live, work, or play" in the neighborhood to be eligible:

4/14 6:00-8:50 p.m.  **Mt. Adams at LeBlond RecPlex** - Cincinnati Neighborhood Games Qualifying Events (ages 7  through adult) Whiffle Ball Home Run Derby, Golf Chipping Contest, Football Accuracy Toss, Soccer Accuracy Kick, Tug of War, Hula-Hoop Endurance, 40 Yard Dash, Big Wheel Race, Ping Pong Doubles, Water Balloon Toss and Three-legged Race. Equipment will be provided by the RecPlex and CNGames.   Set up starts at 5:30 and will involve facilitating practice and competitive relays. Plan to attend this active evening of community fun.  CNG GOAL is to have Mt. Adams youth and adult representatives in each event on July 16 at Yeatman's Cove and/or July 13 at Rhinegeist Brewery.

4/19 7:00-9:00 p.m.**CHESS NIGHT AT BOW TIE CAFE**- CNG Qualifying Event (ages 7 through adult) Margaret has lined up chessboards with Kaye, the barista, as well as representatives from the Cincinnati Chess Club to facilitate! CNG GOAL is to have two youth and two adults commit to represent Mt. Adams on July 16, 1:30 p.m., Yeatman's Cove.

4/29 7:30 p.m. **TRIVIA NIGHT @Crowley's** - CNG Qualifying Event  (adults only) A casual round table evening with Cincinnati-based trivia questions lobbed at participants. No bells, buzzers or timers.CNG GOAL is to have up to six adults commit to representing Mt. Adams in a more structured team trivia format on July 13, 5:00 p.m. Rhinegeist Brewery. It is the easiest of the Community Life/CNGames events.  5/21 4:30-6:30 p.m.

**PARTY GAMES on the PATIO @ Longworth's**- CNG Qualifying Events​(ages 7 and above) Some multi-age competitions in Corn Hole, Giant Jenga, and Stein Holding, with happy hour prices. Equipment provided by CNG and Longworth's. CNG GOAL is to have youth and adults commit to represent Mt. Adams on July 13 at Rhinegeist Brewery and/or on July 16 at Yeatman's Cove.

**CIP (Civic Improvement Projects)** Russ Ferneding…At the Trustees meeting on Thursday three proposals will be reviewed. Marcey Bullerman for Art Walks… Furniture proposal for the pool, and Tree Guards around the newly planted trees on St. Gregory.

**Upcoming Events/ Community Partners-** Next  Chapter has new management. Andrew Schlanser and Brandon Scott Perry as of April 1st. Chapter will be open seven nights a week. Changes will be happening. There will be more of a restaurant feel. MAYC (Mount Adams Yacht Club) Maureen Webb is the new Commodore and talked about the social club and membership. Art Walks Marcey Bullerman … Spring Walks will be the second Saturday in May and June.

In September there will be a special Art Walk celebrating Summerfair which started on the Hill.

Move to adjourn Chuck Curran and seconded by …………………./ Meeting adjourned at 8:15.