MACA Minutes October 3, 2017

The meeting at the HCI Community Room was call to order by President Kurt Meier at 7 pm. In attendance were Tom Abare, Sue Zimmerman, Kurt Meier and Directors Pat Feghali, Bill Moran, Jenny Ferneding.

**Police Report:** Sgt. Hank Ward reported that September crime stats are all down except smash and grabs from cars. Sept 15, 16, 17 saw 7 smash and grabs. One smash and grab was a gain of 75 cents another $150. Lots of unlocked cars have visible items of value in them. Patrol officers went through the neighborhood checking cars and 51% of cars were unlocked. A smash and grab can happen in less than 5 minutes. There was a team of teens operating in Mt. Adams. Call immediately if you see people checking out cars. The frustration with arrests for smash and grabs is that after the arrests the people are back on the street so fast. The 5 to 6 shots fired from 1117 Wareham (Oct. 1) was brought up. Calls were made to police. Susan and Bruce Flyer said it took 30 minutes for the response, but the officers who came were very good. Why so long? Sgt. Ward said he would get back to us after he looked at the report of the run. It turns out the location of the shots was an Air BNB renter which is against the condo HOA. Someone asked what MACA could do about. The answer was to follow the law which is to report the violation to the city and rely on the city. Another comment was the possibility of filing a civil suit on Airbnb violations. (Interested people were to get together after the meeting.) Sgt Ward introduced the two officers who are working on the smash and grabs. The homeless problem was brought up. Sgt. Ward reiterated the steps required to remove a homeless camp and the letter of the law which is like an eviction from a residence- it takes time.

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved to accept minutes Bill Moran; seconded by Tom Abare. Motion passed

**President’s Report:** Kurt honored volunteers of the month - Jenny Ferneding for getting the homeless man at the bottom of Monastery help and the camp cleaned up and Steve Vogel for working on going task to get a signed agreement on the Adam’s Edge development with Camden which was previously agreed on by both parties. A date will be set for Volunteers to clear the vista on Carney Street. The business revitalization plan is moving forward. Elections will be in November. Director Russ Ferneding is up for a new term and Pat Feghali who is currently finishing Frank Obermeyer’s term after Frank became vice-president. Kurt asked if anyone else was interested and there were no takers.

**Vice President’s Report:** Frank was not present, but Kurt reported that Frank is deeply involved with the revitalization planning. Brian Frank had a concern of historical preservation. Kurt responded that the Mt. Adams development master plan has that covered. The plan is on the new website.

**Committee Reports:**

**Planning and Development**: Steve Vogel is working on the Adam’s Edge (Wareham and Elsinore) situation. Dan Weinstein mentioned the hearing announcement of the Oregon St. October 19th at 9 am. Interested people may want to attend.

**Treasurer’s Report:**  Tom Abare September 2017 Memberships 4 annual/4lifetime….$440.00 Grapevine Ad Revenue $2,345.00…Printing costs $2,900.00 Cinema in the City…Sponsorships $6,750.00…Cash receipts $1,373.40 Expenses…Premiere Cinema…$2,700.00…Music $1, 693.45…Movie rental..$873.00…Candy/Sodas…$127.18.. Tent $127.18 Totals income: $8,123.40; Total expenses: $5,720.24…. Net Income $2,403.16 National Night Out…Grill/Table Chair rental ….$660.00 Cash on hand…$27,000 **MABA:** Sue Zimmerman… **Fall Clean Up is October 21**. Meet at Bow Tie at 9:30. Bring brooms etc. Coffee and donuts…Lunch will be provided by Mt. Adams Bar and Grill at noon. We have a truck Russ is driving/Tom Abare will be shotgun. Luminary Night is Dec. 17th.You will be hearing from us about kits. Lisa Massa is the chairperson. We are planning to plant the pots and bridge for winter.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:** Jenny Ferneding introduced speaker Traleathea Fairbanks of PATH (Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness). Path workers locate and connect with homeless individuals in wooded areas, riverfront, under bridges, Justice Center, hospitals, shelters, library, soup kitchens, temporary/transitional housing with time limits, or anyone at imminent risk of homelessness. PATH networks with a variety of referral sources throughout Hamilton County including police departments, shelters, medical clinics, local businesses, Pre-Trail, Mental Health/Justice Center and a variety of social services agencies. Once PATH workers identify and engage a homeless client, they make preliminary assessments for needed services and begin creating a plan for a client. To contact PATH: 513.814.3886. Locations: 1501 Madison Ave. Cincinnati Ohio 45206 and 117 E 12th St. Cincinnati Oh. 45202.

**Membership:**  Jim Horrigan was out of town. Tom Abare took memberships.

**Neighborhood Support Program:**  Terri Abare: We are in the process of applying for our NSP funds of $6,800. The Directors have budgeted $4,000 for the Grapevine, $800 for MABA, $1025 Cinema in the City, $975 Mutt Mitts. The reason these were selected is that they are easy to document the expenses. Chuck Curran moved to approve the NSP grant request; Margaret Monk seconded. Motion passed 42 yes to 0 no.

**Business Guild Meeting Report:** Both Maryellen Horrigan and Janet Steiner were out of town. Kurt mentioned that the guild is working on some type of honorarium for Neil Quinn to be presented during the Beaujolais Nouveau celebration the third Thursday of November.

**Community Life:**  Pat Feghali Cinema in the City had the biggest crowd this year. There will be a Halloween Celebration for kids and adults at Pavilion starting at 5 pm. Amy Obermeyer is in charge of the event. We need volunteers for Cinema and if anyone is interested in being in charge talk to Pat.

**CIP/Civic Development Projects:**  Russ Ferneding. Russ was unable to attend. Dan Weinstein asked about creating a project to clean up the brick sidewalks and to repair the crumbling other sidewalks. Kurt suggested he get a plan on paper and submit it to Russ.

**Outside Reports:**

**Mt. Adams Yacht Club:** Maureen Webb mentioned that MAYC is the sponsor of a series the Krohn’s Four Nights of Nostalgia Four evenings of programming and cocktails. Admission is $15 per person and includes one drink ticket and light refreshments. Registration required. For more information, call 513.421.5707

Wednesday, October 4th 6 - 7:30 pm Topic: Purcell’s Promise: The Church of the Steps Guest Speaker: Jim Steiner Register at: https://krohn.cincyregister.com/2017nostalgia1

Wednesday, October 11th 6 - 7:30 pm Topic: Nicholas Longworth Guest Speaker: Molly Wellmann from Wellmann's Brands Register at: https://krohn.cincyregister.com/2017nostalgia2

Wednesday, October 18th 6 - 7:30 pm Topic: Lafcadio Hearn Guest Speaker: Molly Wellmann from Wellmann's Brands Register at: https://krohn.cincyregister.com/2017nostalgia3 •

Wednesday, October 25th 6 - 7:30 pm Topic: History of Beer in Cincinnati Guest Speaker: Greg Hardman from Christian Moerlein Register at: <https://krohn.cincyregister.com/2017nostalgia>

Also Keeneland bus trip on Oct. 22nd –Seats are available.

Mt. Adams Walks continue until the end of November.

Mt. Adams Pilgrim Chapel’s Italian Dinner is Sunday, Oct. 8, 5-8pm.

Chuck Curran moved to adjourn; Terri Abare seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55.

Submitted by Sue Zimmerman