

MACA Minutes June 2, 2022

The meeting, held at Towne Properties 3rd floor training room, was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at 7:00 PM. Treasurer Tom Abare and directors Judi Cettel, Ginny Corsini, Tina Russo and Steve Vogel were present.

Police Report: Officer Michelle Kleiner urges residents be wary of scam phone calls. On May 25, a license plate was stolen on Kilgour. The Hooka Bar is under investigation for several infractions. During the tree trimming on Parkside, several guns were found in the undergrowth; police were notified, guns are being checked for fingerprints. Russ Ferneding noted the stop sign at Wareham and Paradome is often ignored.

Speaker: Jill Dunne, Chief Communications Officer for the Cincinnati Art Museum

CAM has 67,000 works of art, is now bringing additional art to the outside. Art Climb, 164 steps, holds 3 sculptures on loan from Pyramid Hill.

New drive off Eden Park Drive will lead to the new front parking lot and will open by July 1st; note new signage for improved way finding. Commercial and large vehicles will still enter via the old entrance. The old entrance will be for all exits.

Notable new outside sculptures: Isabella, by Jaume Plensa and Wind, by Shonibare; the Alltman red swing sculpture will return July 11.

Upcoming: Henry Mosler exhibit – June 10 – September 4; Unlocking an Art Deco bedroom by Joseph Urban – July 8 – October 2.

Art After Dark returned post pandemic; dates: 6/24, 7/29, 8/26, 9/30/ 10/28

CRC: Frank announced the Mt. Adams Pool will not open this year.

Vanessa Henderson was not able to attend the meeting but sent a report to Sue Zimmerman: Currently hiring for part time positions: Recreation Leader, Municipal Worker. Visit cincyrec.org for information.

We are requesting ideas for the ball fields and greenspace.

Senior programs on Tuesday and Thursday – contact Karen at 281-1286 for info.

Special program at Harriet Beecher Stowe House, Wednesday, June 29.

Minutes: approved as written.

President's Report: Frank noted that Nic Covey is not able to be her tonight but wants people to see the information on the Mt. Adams to Downtown Pedestrian Bridge Replacement Project. Public input is invited from June 1 to July 15. Replacement alternate 1 is preferred by Mt. Adams and downtown residents.

www.PublicInput.com/PedBridge.

Frank notes the flowers on the Hill look great.

At the July meeting, our guest speaker will be Chris Ertel, city department of engineering, talking about street maintenance. Frank suggests residents use the FixItCincy app.

The spray paint on the streets is related to the new fiber optics.

August is National Night Out, and we will again celebrate that at El Barril. (No regular meeting.)

For the September meeting, we may be back at the HCI Parish Center, and we may have a speaker from Krohn Conservatory.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Abare said we have 3 new lifetime members; we've paid our membership dues to the business guild; we have \$58,000 in the bank.

Planning and Development: Steve Vogel. Towne Properties will talk to us when they are ready to go forward with their plans.

MABA: Judi Cettel – the Garden Stroll is June 14; advance tickets are \$25; day of tickets are \$30. The money goes directly toward maintaining our public gardens.

Membership: John Corsini

Community Life: Board of Directors approved funding for a street music festival if a date can be determined before the end of September.

Community Projects: Judi Cettel reports they are looking at Gateway Signage and way finding.

Walking Tours: Sundays, 1:00, meet in front of the Mt. Adams Bar & Grill; \$10 per person.

Pilgrim Chapel: Barb Whitworth. Last Sunday was the Blessing of the Fleet.

Holy Cross Immaculata: Tina Russo. The \$150,000 goal for the Capital Campaign has been met; waiting for the start of repairs to the Parish Center.

Festival is August 5 and 6; Golf Outing is June 18; new priest moves into the rectory July 1. Tina noted that long time resident and founder of the garden club, George Morano died, his services are this Friday.

New Business: Chuck Curran noted that the Rookwood Restaurant was closed Monday and Tuesday due to the death of the owner's mother. Many of her recipes were used in the original Teak Restaurant, will be used eventually at the Rookwood Food and Beverage Restaurant.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Submitted by Janet Steiner