

## MACA minutes

January 2, 2024

Meeting, held in the HCI community room, was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at 7:00 pm. Directors present: Tina Russo, Judi Cettel, Ginny Corsini, Nic Covey, Dan Weinstein, Steve Vogel. Janet Steiner is temporary secretary, please contact Frank if interested in this position or position of treasurer.

**Police Report:** Officer Chris Loreaux, Mt. Adams neighborhood liaison, reported there was crime reduction in Mt. Adams in 2023, except for auto thefts. People leave their cars running or leave keys in their car, resulting in thefts.

Citizen comments: Jerry Ewers- Gray commercial building at corner of Jerome and St. Gregory: someone(s) sleeping outside the building.

Gail Siefert- much partying on Kilgore, much noise, trash left almost nightly.

**CRC:** Vanessa Henderson is back from vacation. Bush has 2 pickle ball courts, at this location pickle ball is more for fun than competition and is available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 – 1:00; Pleasant Ridge has more competitive pickle ball; Tai Chi on Tuesday and Thursdays from 12:30 – 1:00.

**Program:** Joell Angel-Chumbley, City's Department of Transportation and Engineering, presented Gateway Signage possibilities for Mt. (or Mount) Adams. She explained that both horizontal and vertical signage will be used in our neighborhood, presented the designs her department and the Mt. Adams committee – Judi Cettel, Ginny Corsini and John Weigand – have been working on.

This presentation is primarily for citizen feedback. Joell wants to know if we prefer Mt. or Mount Adams, presently there is no consistency.

Joell was thanked for the thoroughness of her presentation and many positive comments were shared with her.

After her presentation, those present voted and preferred Mt. (19) to Mount (5).

**Minutes:** approved as written and previously distributed.

**President's Report:** Frank noted that our next meeting, February 6, will begin at 6:30 with pizza provided; there will be no guest speaker. We want to encourage people who have not come to previous meetings to come.

Grapevine deadline to submit articles is February 1. Terri Abare noted she is looking for people to write articles of general interest.

Frank noted there have been several MACA sponsored events and he would like feedback on them – Halloween, and MABA's Deck the Hill.

**Planning and Development:** Steve Vogel – no report.

**MABA:** No January meeting. This Friday, meet Tina on the bridge at 10:00 am to remove the ornaments and bows from the planters, leaving the greens.

**Membership:** John Corsini asked we all encourage members – and non members – to come to the February MACA meeting.

**Community Improvement Projects:** Judi Cettel – please give your thoughts on the Gateway Signs to Judi, Ginny or John.

**Business Guild:** Sandy Zimmerman said adding a Farmers Market was discussed. It should be during the week, not weekend, and take place in the HCI parking lot. Another suggestion was having it at PIP lot. It needs to be sponsored by both the Business Guild and MACA and needs to have someone willing to chair the project. Frank suggested a group should be formed to discuss the possibility. Sandy reminded that previous attempt at a Farmers Market was not successful.

**Yacht Club:** Dave Zimmerman – next event is the Super Bowl Party at El Barril on February 11, at 5:30.

**New Business:**

Tina Russo mentioned there are several places where signs are not adequate, and we need to make a list to submit to the City. Please let Tina know your ideas of signage that needs improvement.

Tina also said thank you to those who organized the Luminaria and Deck the Hill.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:15**