

WNA May 2012 Meeting
May 10, 2012

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Present: Tony Weir, Jon Whitcomb, Gene Nance, Jason Bliss, Andrea Meury, Brad Bauer, Don Vallejo, Marilyn rendon, Patrice Wrapple, and Bob Thomas.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The approval of the minutes were postpone until next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial report was not presented, due to the recent move of Treasure Colin. Colin no longer resides in the Willo neighborhood. The report was postpone until the appointment of a new treasure.

COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER

Officer Ben Harris, Mountain View Precinct Community Action Officer (CAO), reported the serial car scratcher within the Willo Neighborhood and surrounding areas was apprehended by police, but later released. Two Willo vehicles were identified by police as victim's of the serial car scratcher.

OFC Harris and his colleagues will be conducting surveillance of all the recycling centers around the area. Individuals in possession of shopping carts will be arrested and charge with theft. A larger percentage of theses individuals are the ones responsible for the burglaries in the area.

Ben addressed the speeders in the neighborhood and cut through traffic. Although, it seems to be a problem with speeders Ben reports it's very rare he has found driver's traveling at 35 MPH.

Again, residents with smart phone are reminded to use My Phoenix App to report problems to Neighborhood Services or give them a call.

NORTH 7th AVE/WEST MCDOWELL ROAD

Jeff Geysler, Owner of the Shop's located on the northeast corner of north 7th Avenue and West Mc Dowell Road. Jeff provided an overview of the present buildings located on the site, parking lots and the future building. The new building, if built, is zoned for 12,000 square feet. Jeff does not foresee the building that large, due to the parking issues a larger building could create. Jeff is concerned the parking problem it could create for the neighborhood.

Currently there are two units that are not leased in the existing building. Habit, NYPD Pizza, a green recycling business (name unknown), Pot Bellies, Design Photography Store, Olivebastro, Bridal Shop, Dee's Barber Shop, Community Florist, T-Mobile, Dry Cleaners, and a Women's

Boutique are currently in place or are moving in soon.

Currently the signage to the building and site are in the appeal process with the City of Phoenix Zoning. What we know so far, the My Florist sign will stay, the signs will be turned off by 9p.m. and no flashing lights. Jeff also stated they will be in compliance with the Phoenix dark skies ordinance.

Jeff is currently working with the City and the effective neighbors on Almeria with the construction of the eight foot block wall. Jeff goal is to complete the wall within 30 to 45 days upon approval from the city.

14 WEST VERNON

Brad reported the restaurant proposed at 14 W Vernon, presented their plan to the Village Planning Committee. The plan presented to the board was excepted with few exceptions. Parking was an issued but two stipulations were agreed upon my the owner. Additional parking will be provided by Child Help and a red strip will be painted on the south side of Vernon effecting the Willo.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

- BUDGET

Andrea presented the budget for the next year. The Home tour and Kid's Club budget were absent from the budget presented by Andrea. Clarification on insurance and events sponsored by the club were requested by the board. The Home tour committee will present a budget at the next monthly meeting.

Jason Bliss made a motion to approved the budget as presented by Andrea, with the exception of the Kids Club request and Home Tour. and insurance. Bob Thomas second the motion with the board approving.

- BLOCK WATCH

Jon Whitcomb, Willo Block Watch coordinator stated there may be a Block Watch meeting held during the summer months. Jon will contact the Block Watch Captains.

OLD BUSINESS

-TREES

Brad is happy to report the trees that look dead on the new build outs on 3rd and 5th Avenues are not dead. They are in shock and will someday be green again.

- MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Board Member Bob Thomas will be attending Mayor's advisory meeting on the 29th at the Burton Barr Library.

- RECYCLING

Since the idea of moving the blue recycling bin pick up to the alleys. Brad has received to complaints from residents of the Willo opposing the move. The city has not made a decision on the move, but are in the process of looking at the change to save money. To express your concerns to the City, Brad recommend you contact the City Public Works department or sign the petition on Change.org

NEW BUSINESS

-SPEED BUMPS

After a recent roll over accident at Coronado and 5th Avenue, the residents of Granada and Almeria are coming together and attempting to have another speed bump placed on 5th Avenue. They are in the process in gather the support required by the City to have the bump installed.

MEETING ADJOURN

Andrea made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Patrice seconding the motion.