

Willo Board Meeting 11/12/15

Attendants: Jon, Paul, Gene, Marilyn, Don, Theresa, Charlene, Patrice, Phil, Anthony

Marilyn introduced David Longoria, Laura Pastor's assistant, and then reviewed with him some neighborhood concerns including a possible proposal to change 3rd and 5th Aves back to two way streets as well as our overall street plans. Further information was added by Brad Brauer.

Call to order was done by Marilyn

Minutes: The September meetings were presented. Marilyn stated her proposal to have the September meetings to be amended. Theresa motioned to approve the minutes as is and this was seconded and then approved by the board. There was discussion regarding the proposed amendment. It was decided that this proposal will be reviewed by the board and will be voted on at the next meeting. Theresa presented the October minutes. Don moved to approve these minutes. This was seconded and approved by the board.

Zoning updates were presented by Paul. Art House is now one story up. Construction has started at Central and McDowell. It is expected to last until 2017. There was discussion from the neighborhood regarding a proposed traffic light at McDowell and 1st Ave. The My Florist shopping center is working on improving the areas we have presented to them.

Don presented an update on the home tour. The home tour now has 11 houses. The Willo Affair was also discussed by Brad Brauer. The tickets are currently \$45 per person. There will be a speak-easy on Sunday as part of the home tour.

Officer Ben presented the crime reports. No burglaries or criminal activity has occurred during the time period during which we have had the off duty police officers on patrol. Jewelry has been a recent target outside of the neighborhood. Please lock up your belongings. The Phoenix Police Department presented a certificate of appreciation to the board for Willo's participation in the "Trunk or Tree" event. Don discussed that there has been an increase of cut-through traffic in our alleys. Marilyn discussed the off duty police officers in our neighborhood and that we will be discussing how effective this pilot program has been at a future meeting. Don presented some statistics on the effect of this program so far. This program would cost \$60,000 a year to continue. There was some discussion from the neighborhood about an incident of banging on the door and a possible attempt to get the home owner to open the door. Officer Ben will look into this. Jon discussed the blockwatch and a recent break-in on Granada. There are grants we will be applying for soon.

Ben Schill from the David and Gladys Right house presented that the application to the historic preservation commission will be presented on Monday. The Willo board does not have a position on this but individuals of Willo are encouraged to be involved if they are interested.

Theresa discussed that the social committee's December happy hour. It will be at Mara and Jason

Reynold's house on 305 Palm on December 4th.

Luminaries: Jerry was not present but Marilyn presented the dark blocks that still need volunteers.

Kids Club: Theresa will present an update in the coming months

Kleanstreets: Patrice stated that she is waiting for some parts to come for broken equipment.

Communications: Diana Herman was not present but Marilyn states to be watching for updates on the website.

By-laws: no update

Street Safety: no update

Parks: Brad Brauer presented that the light in the park is starting to dim. He has called to have someone at the city look at the battery.

Mayors Neighborhood Advisory Committee: Brad discussed the neighborhood that will be affected by the David and Gladys Right house.

New business: Last week there was a meeting regarding the flight path changes and the lawsuit. This meeting was well-attended. Marilyn presented that the FAA is asking to combine the city's and the neighborhood's lawsuits. This has been approved. Marilyn reviewed Willo's contribution to this lawsuit and the current fundraising that is underway. The judge is currently deciding on whether to dismiss our lawsuit. There are currently several cities that are suing the FAA. There was some discussion from the neighborhood what should be our backup if this lawsuit is not successful such as asking for sound-proof windows.

Resident parking permit program was reviewed by Marilyn. We will add an article to Inside Willo to review this with the residents who will be affected by this.

Old business: Brad Brauer presented information on the sidewalks on 5th and possibly having a lane dedicated to pedestrians and bikes if sidewalks are not improved.

Adjournment: Don moved we adjourn, this was seconded and then approved by the board.