

**WILLO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (WNA)**

**March 14, 2019**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**

**CTO/Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

**Approval of November Minutes: Charlene Gum, Secretary**

A motion to approve the minutes was requested. Linda Doescher moved to approve the minutes. Lisa Helm seconded. The motion passed.

**Financial Report: Linda Doescher, Treasurer**

Linda presented the financials which included income from the Home Tour. The income from the tour was \$60,845.90 and expenses were \$30,961.30 which left a net operating income of \$29,884.60. The net income for the fiscal year \$5,425.78. We are now in the black. A motion to approve the financial report was made by Opal Wagner and seconded by Brad Brauer. The motion passed.

**Home Tour Review: Samantha Keating/Anna Lauri**

Anna thanked the board for their support. She has received a lot of positive feedback regarding the increase in vendors and the Rock the Block party.

President Cannon thanked Anna, Samantha, home owner participants and all others involved who contributed to a successful tour.

A strategic planning meeting is being considered to discuss a strategy for future Home Tours. This will be a "brainstorming" session that will evaluate methods of procurement of homes and other aspects of the tour. The date will be set after the new Board is seated. All past Home Tour Chairs will be invited to provide input as well.

Questions were entertained from the audience which included methods of soliciting homes and basis for selection. Have we considered placing a house on the tour such as one that is work in progress? Have we looked at other methods of fundraising?

**Block Watch: Brad Brauer, Vice President/Office Ben Harris**

Officer Ben Harris, CAO reported that the last Block Watch meeting was on Windsor. The meeting was very productive. There was discussion about Ring which is very useful to the Police Department. The officers are granted access to portals which have aided in apprehending criminals. We have experienced an increase in burglaries in Willo on the average of one per week since the beginning of the year. The nature of the activity included bicycle theft from a backyard, theft of tools from homes under construction and forced entry in a vacant house to seek shelter. There have been other burglaries in the surrounding neighborhoods.

On April 13<sup>th</sup> there will be a bike registration from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### **Zoning Summation Update: Opal Wagner, Zoning Chairman**

There have been three zoning adjustment hearings and two Historical Preservation hearings.

**February 14, 2019 (ZA-12-19-4)** A variance to increase the maximum letter height of a sign on the south elevation of 2333 N. Central Ave to 14" (12" maximum allowed), was approved with a stipulated LED maximum limit of 3000 Kelvin color temperature.

**February 27, 2019** A Certificate of Appropriateness was approved for a 646 sq. ft, west side addition at 330 W. Virginia Ave. The project meets historic preservation guidelines and was recommended by the Historic Preservation Office staff without stipulations. (HPCA 1800521).

**February 28, 2019** A variance to allow a maximum letter height of 30 inches for wall signs at 2535 N. Central Ave (12" maximum allowed) was denied as filed. The letter height was limited to 24" and a dimmer switch must be installed to control the brightness of the signs and be dimmed by 10:00 p.m. The Applicant shall provide a notarized statement confirming that 3000 Kelvin color temperature lighting modules were used. (ZA-27-19-4)

**March 6, 2019** We attended a certificate of approval for over-height fences and gate after-the-fact, and an addition to their garage for 294 sq. ft. at 333 W. Coronado Rd. The addition and increased wall in the alley were approved with stipulations. The increased wall and gate height on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue were not approved, and the height of the wall and gate was ordered reduced to 6 feet. They have appealed the decision and will be heard by the Historic Preservation Commission on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.

**March 14, 2019** A use permit to install 5000K LED signs at the north and south side(s) of the tower at 2020 N. Central was continued to May 2, 2019, 9:00 a.m. The proposed signs will be visible from many homes and yards on the north and south side of the tower. Anyone with concerns about the signs at this location should plan to attend the hearing or send an email to [zoning@phoenix.gov](mailto:zoning@phoenix.gov) with a "cc" to [Hannah.bleam@phoenix.gov](mailto:Hannah.bleam@phoenix.gov) referencing the zoning case ZA-53-19-4 as the subject.

The above hearings were attended by members of the Willo Zoning Committee.

**Inside Willo-Update, Nikki Armstrong, Board Member** Nikki reported that a new printing vendor has been secured due to an increase in prices from the original vendor. The costs will remain at the current prices. However, the vendor requires a shorter timeline for submitting proofs. This requires the deadline for copy to be in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month with no exceptions.

President Cannon and the Board thanked Nikki for a tremendous job the past two years. Sandra Lefcovich has expressed interest in becoming the new editor for Inside Willo.

### **Spring Yard Sale: Patrice Wappel**

Patrice announced the yard sale will be Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 1:00p.m. The ads are placed in local media and the signs will be put up a week ahead. This information will also be included in Inside Willo.

**Vision 3.5:** Lisa Helm reported there have been no changes in the status re the funding for Vision 3.5 from the City. The speed trailers were set up on third and fifth avenue from February 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Virginia.

The data collected for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave is as follows: 1) 25% of the traffic was clocked at 26 to 30 mph and less, 9% over 31 and .34% was over 40 mph. The average speed was 24.355. 2) The data for 5<sup>th</sup> Ave was 55% were travelling less than 25mph, 24% 26 -30 mph, 19% 31 – 40. The Streets & Transportation Dept. plans to place trailers on the streets every 4 months.

The committee plans a special meeting (March 25<sup>th</sup>) to develop a map which is intended to be user friendly. It will be available during the yard sale.

Lara Sands reiterated that the Vision 3.5 Committee will be present during the yard sale as well as the possibility of providing the Coffee Truck service at the Park. The city will be at the meeting next month to present information about the pilot project. She encouraged attendance at the upcoming budget hearing meetings. There will be four opportunities to attend. The budget hearing meeting information will be posted on the website.

Speed humps will be installed between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> this month at Encanto Blvd. The plans for humps between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> are pending. There is no funding for humps at the round-a-bout at 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.

### **Election: Joseph Kanefield**

Paul Benjamin was recognized and thanked for his past service on the Board. We appreciated his contribution and service.

Joseph Kanefield, Election Committee Chair presented the following voting results: Bob Cannon, 31 votes; Brad Brauer, 31 votes; Linda Doescher, 36 votes; Charlene Gum, 36 votes; Ann Bommersbach, 30 votes; Lisa Helm, 25 votes; Anna Laurie, 25 votes; Sandra Lefcovich, 26 votes; Gene Nance, 32 votes; Jeremy Schachter, 27 votes; Opal Wagner, 30 votes; Patrice Wappel, 35 votes.

There will be an Executive Session of the new Board for the purposes of planning the committees and strategies for the term at 533 W. Cypress, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Update: Committee Chairs** Tom Doescher, Zoning Committee Chair reviewed the next steps in the zoning process for Equus. There will be a meeting with the Planning Committee and then they will seek approve from the Planning Commission.

**New Business:** We have one open Board position that needs to be filled. The President will nominate a candidate and the Board will vote to accept or deny. The next Happy Hour will be Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at Greg and Lisa Karrington's, 26 W. Vernon. 5:30 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Brad Brauer motioned to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

Charlene Gum  
Recording Secretary