



**Audubon-Downriver Neighborhood Council
Membership Meeting Minutes
Zoom virtual meeting 7:00 pm
June 17, 2021**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Jeff Stevens. Board members present: Chris Wright (Vice Chair, Treasurer), Fran Papenleur (CA representative), Andrea Kilgore (secretary) and Victor Frazier (WCCC/COPS NW liaison) present. Kirsten Angell (Parks coordinator) not present. Guest speakers noted below.

Chair report: Jeff introduced the other board members. Jeff presented at the City Council meeting on June 14 regarding ADNC activities.

Secretary report: Meeting minutes were emailed to the membership list for review. Andrea motioned to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.

Treasurer report: Chris reports the current balance is \$5238.05. No activity this month.

Membership: Jeff reports 24 voting members as of May. To be a voting member, you must attend at least 2 meetings in a 12 month period. 2021 membership records show many new attendees via Zoom that were not attending in-person meetings. ADNC hopes to do virtual/in-person hybrid meetings in September 2021 so we can maintain attendance for people who prefer virtual meetings. No membership meetings are held in July or August.

City Council report: Candace Mumm, District 3 City Council representative, reports a City director of Housing and Human Services Dept announced resignation due to experiencing racism from City of Spokane staff. Mayor announced she will hire an independent investigator about the allegations. Council made recommendations on housing and homelessness strategies. City will receive \$84 million from ARP funds, half in 2021 and half in 2022. They will build a framework for community engagement around how to spend the money. They want it to be used for investment, not one time payments. Candace reported on COVID-19 vaccination clinics hosted by the Fire Department at various locations with free transportation options and financial incentives.

Office of Neighborhood Services: Annie Deasy, ONS liaison, reports SNAP is requesting participation in a Community Needs Assessment survey. Jeff shared the link: <https://cna21.questionpro.com/>. There is a burn restriction in the city at this time, which limits outdoor burning to only a few options..

Clean-Up program: Jeff requested feedback on the new application process for Disposal Passes. One resident reported their pass had an incorrect address and delayed response from the city to fix it. By the time they received the corrected pass, they were unable to use it. Recommended an option to choose a preferred time to use the pass in order to plan the trip. Victor reports COPS NW has paper passes available.

Traffic report: Jeff represented District 3 neighborhoods at the Pedestrian Safety and Traffic Awareness stakeholder meeting. Stakeholders asked City staff to provide data on locations and specific issues before the next meeting. Jeff reports a mobile speed unit was placed on Wellesley to study how many people follow the 20 mph limit in the park zone. If data indicates the limit is not being enforced on Wellesley, Jeff will recommend that they remove the 20mph limit. A resident mentioned that the pedestrian crossing lights on Wellesley were blinking for 2 hours one day this week, which caused traffic to stop.

Parks report: Kirsten not present. Jeff reported that Kirsten is working with Urban Forestry to organize a tree planting event on Oct 9 or Oct 30th in Audubon Park. Jeff reported on the Roskelley Foundation play structures that will be installed this Fall. Parks estimated \$15,000 to complete the landscape design around the structures. The ADNC will be exploring grants and other funding sources to fund construction in 2022. Design is intended for 3-5 year olds.

Concert report: Victor submitted an application to Parks Dept for 2 free concerts in Audubon Park on July 15th with Lilac City Community Band and July 22nd with The Moops from 6:30-8pm. Premera donated funds so we will not request business sponsorships this year.

West Central Community Center: Victor reported on *Neighbor Day* event at Cannon park and the new Marketing and Administration coordinator.

COPS/Public Safety: Victor reports COPS NW office hours are Mon-Sat 10am-1pm. They are hosting a bike registration and safety event on June 26. Registration will be put into a national database to retrieve stolen bikes.

Transitions report: Edie Rice-Sauer, Transitions director, reports Art in the Yard event will be on June 25th in the evening. Children will display art on recycled yard signs. Edie encouraged us to drive around the property to admire the landscaping by the maintenance person.

Open Forum: Christopher Savage invites us to participate in the Indian Trail Cleanup event he organized, scheduled for June 26.

Next General Meeting: Sept 16, 2021 at 7pm at Finch Elementary library. Meeting may be broadcast via Zoom for those who prefer virtual meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Meeting minutes recorded by ADNC Secretary Andrea Kilgore.