Fairmount Civic Association General Meeting Minutes February 23, 2017

I. Call to order

Larry Reynolds called to order the regular meeting of the Fairmount Civic Association at 7:33 pm on 2/23/2017 at the City School.

II. Agenda Items

Meeting location: City School Fairmount Campus. Refreshments provided by ERA restaurant.

- a. Leanne L. Litwin, judicial candidate for court of common pleas, addressed the FCA to introduce herself and obtain signatures to be on the upcoming ballot.
- a. Two police officers from 9th District addressed the FCA
 - Crime in Fairmount is relatively low, but theft from autos is still an issue. Do not leave valuables (even change) visible in your auto. Also, be diligent with locking ground-floor windows in warmer weather.
 - Call 911 if you see any suspicious activity. When calling 911, be sure to leave your name and number (because anonymous calls cannot be acted on at the same level).
- b. Electric Vehicle Permit Report: A City-wide committee was formed regarding electric vehicle parking permits. A moratorium is in effect until further review.
- c. Dave Bloovman from Circle Compost addressed the FCA. Circle Compost is a one-year old business designed to keep food waste out of landfills. Works with residents and businesses. Compost bucket to be picked up weekly using bicycle trailers. Circle partners with urban farms to turn waste into compost (and donates soil back to farms). A weekly pickup costs \$15/month, and group discounts are available. See website for more information.

d. Zoning and Development

 837 N 21st: Seeking support for a greenhouse addition replacing a legal deck. There will no change to the footprint of the existing structure.
ZBA requires variances for tearing down deck, replacing space with greenhouse, and for insufficient open space. Hearing on 3/7. There were no objections voiced by the FCA.

• 914-916 N. Taney: Seeking letter of support for community arts garden to be built on city owned lots. For beautification and social use, as well as service project opportunities. The project team has art and non-profit experience, and will assume responsibility for area.

e. News and Notes:

- NFL Draft: The fan festival will be free, open to public, and might help local business. Otherwise, there will be the usual street closures along the parkway.
- Planning meeting next Wednesday for PHS Gardening Group. The group volunteers the 2nd Saturday of every month (April-Nov) from 9-12 around the ESP. Volunteers can simply show up.
- St Patrick's Day Parade will venture Eastbound on Market Street and WILL NOT move along the Parkway.
- Spring Clean Up is scheduled for 3/8. See FCA website for details, and send requests for problematic cleanup spots
- Bocce ball club will be back 3/11. See www.aallsports.com for more information.

f. Next Meeting March 30th

III. Adjournment

Larry Reynolds adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Scott Dressler

Minutes approved by: [Name]