

Fairmount Civic Association
General Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2017

I. Call to order

Larry Reynolds called to order the regular meeting of the Fairmount Civic Association at 7:32 pm on 9/28/2017 at the City School.

II. Agenda Items

Meeting location: City School

Food provided by Luigi's Pizzeria at a discount.

1. Crime and Safety: 9th District's Sgt. Cione and Officer Keefer (crime prevention and analysis) addressed the FCA general meeting.
 - The neighborhood is the eyes and ears – be sure to call 911 with any concerns.
 - Theft from autos remains a major concern. Take valuables out of car.
 - Burglaries are an issue around Spring Garden area, but not in Fairmount. Be sure house is secure.
 - Register your security cameras (via safecam) to help the community. They are good deterrents, and may provide valuable information to the police.
 - 9th district website contains information on local suspects and other issues.
 - Two officers will always be around ESP for duration of haunted house. They are available to address any of your issues regarding the crowd.
 - Abandoned cars – call 311 with tag, make, color, and location.
2. Water Main Project
 - Communication manager for water dept. addressed FCA about a future project.
 - Fairmount / Corinthian project will be pushed off due to ESP haunted house
 - Remaining area will be started within the month.

- Water main construction: 3-4 weeks per block, with traffic and parking being impacted daily. There are six blocks to be worked on.
 - Project is detailed for 250 days, which allows for rain delays, etc.
 - A general mailing will go out to residents of impacted areas.
 - Other issues:
 - i. Lead-service line replacement is available through water Dept.
 - ii. TAP (tiered assistance program) is beginning to provide affordable water services to those in need. See website for details.
3. Stillman Street Garden - Blue Ribbon Award from PHS!
4. FCDC Rep. Amy Kirby addressed the FCA regarding upcoming FCDC events. See website www.fairmountcdc.org for more information.
- 10/12: Brewerytown design crawl
 - 10/14: W. Gerard Street Festival
 - 11/16: Fairmount Foodfight!
 - 11/25: Small Business Saturday
5. Parkway Events
- Bruce reported on City-sponsored (Parkway council) focus groups that were conducted regarding parkway events. City Council is awaiting the results from the focus groups.
6. Zoning.
- Policy changes to be instituted due to ZBA recommendation.
 - 922 N 29th Street: developers proposed 3 apartments and no commercial property with one parking space. Immediate neighbors will be notified and feedback will be forthcoming.
 - 2600 W. Girard: Large development with no parking reached an agreement with immediate neighbors. Opposition within 250ft remains.

- 2601 Pennsylvania Ave: small grocery store desired with interior access only. Local neighbors had no issues, FCA to vote no opposition.
- 758 Judson Street – 3rd floor addition sought w/out 8ft setback.
 - i. Immediate neighbors mixed, 6-1 in favor
- 932 N. 30th Street – (30th and Harper) – Seeking to make existing duplex legal to close the estate.
 - i. Residence was in operation as an illegal duplex for many years.
 - ii. Immediate neighbor representative voiced opposition to idea, afraid of precedent, and want to remain a single-family home.
 - iii. 7 immediate neighbors opposed (unanimous), clear majority of members in opposition

7. Next Meeting: November 2

III. Adjournment

Larry Reynolds adjourned the meeting at 9:02 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Scott Dressler

Minutes approved by: [Name]