

SLNA MINUTES -- 16 OCT 2016

welcome

Welcome and start at 7:07 by kim johnsom
move agenda around so more time can be spent on presentations. agreed.
Introductions from neighbors

officer shawn rougeou (roo-shee-oh)

- dist rep. "used to kicking doors, now opening doors," talk to kids, meet people.
- wants questions, come back with solutions.
- Covers d1 and d2 -congress to mopac to stassney to congress to west gate, william cannon
- Replaced barbosa as dist rep)
- best way to get in contact -- leave cards, phone email, might take a day or more.
- manchaca/benwhite homeless is an known issue, plus cong/ben white
- Advice: use amazon? send to neighbor, dont leave on porch as xmas approaches
- big boxes are a sign for thieves, break it all down.
- curfews and take kids bk to school - 8am - 2:30pm, so if you see kids in middle of day, you can call. Some kids schools start at noon, tho.
- Mailbox break in is postal issue - they ll handle it.

Parks (report from jay)

New its my park day (sat, nov 5) but SLNA may not be signed up, but we try.
<http://austinparks.org/calendar/its-my-park-day-fall/>
Jay proposes nhood potluck on 12 or 13 nov?
no halloween activity in park scheduled. Lots of other places to trick or treat.

old business

1. 1/4c cent bridge to del curto park. ann kitchen announces money is in the budget -- 2017 timeframe
2. thorton rpp -- no real update, still in progress
3. s lamar mitigation plan - design funds committed. if stays on track, design in 2017, del curto storm drain built in 2020 timeframe
4. s lamar corridor study - plans online, funding up to prop 1 bond election
5. code next - any volunteers?
6. bylaws rewrite - any volunteers - vic ramirez is point person.

7. bluebonnet studios --- carol gibbs, and nancy lead on volunteer team for welcome baskets.
\$1000+ individual checks, PLUS people donated online. plus others to drop goods. -- that is good.
SLNA do official gesture? zilker NA has raised \$450, we should beat that as SLNA. money preferred over actual goods so FC can buy with non profit power. brian made motion for match zilker, mario suggested add 50, brian accepted.nancy 2nd motion. kim moved for voice vote - passed with no Nays.

Charissa, found comm manager speaks. - nov 11 9-1pm to assemble baskets. people move in next mon or tues after that. 6 apts for people aged out of foster care system. 18-21 with nothing but literally backpack of clothes. "every little bit really does count". young folks are students or full time job so very little money. if student, then no new money coming in. carol: can you sponsor a specific teen or person? carisa = yes so contact her at charissa.sellers@foundcom.org there is VA case manager on site, in addition to other case managers for other agencies.

8. SLNA elections for 2017, no nomination slate per se. floor open for nominations.
brian accepts nom for vp by nancy, bruce 2nds.
brian king nom kim for p, 2nd by (nancy?)
mark nominated to treasurer by mario
mario nominated to sec by nancy.

anc rep vol to brian king

brian move to accept slate by acclamation. 2nded, kim calls for vote. No naves. The officers for 2017 are

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9. ZONING

- kim move to push zoning to sep once month meeting.
- psw lightsey boa nov 14
- 2413 thorton 40 units per acre at site of restraunt supply - nov 10 at city council, kinney oaks supportive, trying to set meeting with gallo.
- try to recruit thorton businesses to join up. staff recc mf2, but can do mf4 if you do sidewalks, traffic etc. PC didnt add that condition.
- pc chose applicant, not staff recc/ (40 or 72 and sidewalks...etc)
- demo at 2112 thorton.
- 4109 valley view re-subdivision. -- cord might want to follow this one.
- 3900 manchaca re-subdivision.

project connect - overview

javier argeulla, long range planning & nancy gates, consultant (contact image below)

latest version regional transit vision adopted on 2012

hi cap trans investments.

in 2014, bond failed -- and people thought rail was dead, but rail was only one element.

BUT proj conn is alive

now they are refining the plan to select NEW trans solutions for REGIONAL study -- 5 county MSA (bastrop, caldwell, hays, travis, williamson)

lots of regional flow, that is ONE main reason for congestion

so, us183, benwhite, mopac, BUT flexible boundaries

trying to address 3 scales - regional, focus area, districts (hi vol short trips)

what is hi-cap transit? dedicated row, traffic signal priority in mixed traffic., <15 min freq, ADA stations, extended service hours

BRT(bus rapid transit) on highways (minneapolis) and FULL BRT are good examples

so much money on planning... but what do we have to show for it ? lets use the EXISTING studies – javier.

phase 1 - identify big ideas = bold starts (end mar 2017)

phase 2 - real solutions for real problems. a NARROW set available to move fwd, define a SYSTEM, not a project

phase 3 - path to implementation/ proj development (LPA, fed fund, FTA, etc) (late spring 2018)

also heavy financial analysis of capmetro funding capability (capital invest and operations)

diff between corridors and projects, present to community for input/feedback

trying to not invent anything, but get from existing studies to finalize a list of projects

partners - capmetro, txdot, campo, coa (city of austin), ctrma

PURPOSE

enhance existing, prioritize investments in NEW hi-cap transit solutions

NEEDS

explosive growth, we dont have loads of ROW (right of way), affordability, interconnections, capmetro infrastructure is incomplete (see redline as example, not enough cars, etc)

GOALS

improve cust service, reliability, sustainability, density/land use,

PRELIM LIST

2 buckets : investment corridors(IC) AND enhancement projects (EP)

IC = big projects, may require FTA funding (lots of them). 3 types : commuter corr, conector corr, circulator corr (gondola get a shout out...)

EP = sense of urgency., can be locally funded.improve existing, not new.

jan 2017 is next stage for public input.

Jim Wick - Mobility Bond

mobility bond, skip gen overview

3 parts - smart corridors, local mobility (sidewalk master plan, bike master plan), regional road improvements (big pain point intersections and roads)

westlake/loop360 - \$40 mil not a COA road, city staff to get other entity money, full time job devoted to finding that other money.

i35/51st example of how common it is for city money to attract state or fed money.

s lamar is state road, so is burnet, n lamar too.

make the road safer by making it more predictable, left turns when 70% accidents occur

make lamar with more throughput makes nhood roads safer, less cut thrus

(and reaching out to waze to disallow routes?)

barring changes to waze, how can nhood have recognized inputs to protect very local streets. -- after the bond is passed, there are many steps before the proj gets built. so money on corridor is defined by bond BUT the exact details of that corr plan are open for input. and one more round during development planning. so changes are possible -- not a rewrite though.

discussion of mode shift options, as options to entice walk, bus use, bikes. has same effect of more cars throughput.

bob discussion on turn lanes and how to get into nhood, seems plan is for commuters getting past us. but what about us who need to get into nhood. lamar as freeway? Asks bob. Since less access & higher velocity of cards? jim - plan not set in stone. medians reduce crashes 30% and increase thruput by 30% -- so intent is efficiency not freeway.

discussion of bond money as enough, for which parts, etc.
signal timing and continuous flow vs platoon discussion

Brian: what about the 1.7b cost estimate? Jim: include rail on riverside and airport, so not best way to look at it, but also other funds will come in, so is the plan.

why can staff not analyze cut thru traffic by policy, asks kim. so thinking of kinney, how to account for that? perhaps can be in scope of work for corr study? Jlm: i will look into that.

Nancy Maclaine proposed that the following Officers should have signing authority on the Austin Telco Accounts for South Lamar Neighborhood Association.

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The motion was approved by voice vote.

motions to adjourn at 9pm

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