

Land Park Community Association Board Meeting Minutes  
June 16, 2020

Board Members Attending: Mitch Rohrer – President, Joseph Zadeh – Vice-President, Kristina Rogers – Secretary, Bob Schaevitz – Treasurer, Art Taylor, Craig Rutledge, John Puente, John Schade, Kirk Vyverberg, Marty Martinez, Scott Mantrenac

Unable to attend (UTA): Joleen Lonigan, Paul Parmley, Shannel La Due

**Prior Minutes approved**

**Treasurer's report:** Revenue / membership income is down; Regular costs are on going, and ATOLP 2020 fundraiser is cancelled. (Mitch requested discussion of ATOLP 2021 be scheduled for a later date).

**Website:** Kris

Bob would like the status of the new website clarified for membership renewal and website payment purposes.

Paul has asked Kris to take lead on completing the new website and to reach out to Alex at Blue Pig, Kris and Beverly will follow up with Paul Parmley and with Alex respectively.

**Fundraising suggestions:**

- Craig – On-line Silent Auction; will check out requirements and if taxed
- Kris – Pub Crawl; Park events: Local artists, park cleanup &/or 'take back the park at night'; McClatchy auditorium Ballet co-event
  - Focus on building membership rather than business contributions (too many businesses are struggling and 'what do they get out of it' needs to be figured out). Mitch pointed out some businesses are doing very well and could be approached (need list).
  - Need participation from the board and help from members to make any of these possible.
  - Will contact Shannel and Joleen for an Event/membership meeting.

**Board Member Departure and Board Officer Appointment/Election:**

Glen Faulkner was unable to remain on the board after accepting a job offer.

Paul Parmley can no longer fulfill the role of Secretary but would like to remain on the board.

Kris Rogers was nominated as Secretary and approved by unanimous vote

**President's Report:**

Despite the challenges (epidemic and protests) LPCA is now back on a regular schedule.

July 21 LPCA will host a community meeting on zoom.

No election until March 2021 – everyone retains their board positions until then.

Mitch and Joe and LPCA Committees are following city, county & state events re: how they impact Land Park

**Events:**

Kris reporting for Shannel – 'Chalk It Up' cannot take place at Fremont this year. They are reaching out to neighborhoods for multiple sites. Land Park could hold the event on the pavement on Land Park Dr., across from zoo side of park. *Board wants to support this possibility.* Events meeting will be scheduled.

**VP Report – Joe:**

Katie V. & homelessness: Mark Maren made personal vacant prop available with basic sanitation – no permit, no services; current city council is not pleased but Katie supports this model.

Katie V. & defunding police: she is advocating for a decrease of \$10 million with matching increase for youth, healthcare, and other services. Would like to move towards more significant defunding; these ideas did not gain much traction in the council.

(Defunding continued): The mayor with the support of the majority of the city council, the Police Department and the city manager would like the inspector general to investigate options and make recommendations: shift all non-emergency to new teams plus EMT, social worker, substance abuse, etc.... Need a study of what calls come in these categories. That % would be transferred to the new unit. The City Manager continues to decide police consequences. Goal is to avoid escalation and use of deadly force. Hansen asked for feedback from the community. No vote date is known at this time.

We will work with Katie to ensure she understands the needs of LP and look for ways to find common interests. Redistricting may end up splitting the district.

**PARKS:** John Puente

Working with the Police Department and Park Rangers to address car club related issues, particularly in the panhandle.

Danielle (supervising ranger) and Vance Chandler (PD) are considering closing vehicle traffic to allow more opportunity for foot traffic. Diminish window-rattling music, which discourages use of park in other ways. LPCA is asking for permit enforcement when there are large groups. Yellow gates were installed in '80's to prevent cruising – put back in use? There are budgetary constraints ahead. Volunteer corps out right now. **Request:** find out the status of Amphitheater – where are they in the process of renovating?

**Membership:** Beverly for Joleen

Waiting for letter to members from Mitch, owner list from Shannel and coordination with new website. Joe found the email with the letter and forwarded it to Beverly. Beverly will follow up with Shannel and website/PayPal.

**Land Use:** Kirk

Greater Land Park Community Plan Working group meeting regarding residential re-zoning is tomorrow (7/22). ZOOM Community Discussion to include:

City proposed blanket change on residential zoning R-1 / Land Park to allow higher density and potential alternative strategies for R2 housing options on major corridors and in commercial nodes.

How do we increase housing types (townhomes, cluster housing, triplexes)?

People want downsize options: ADU/ "granny cottages" are now approved, but need community review of Infill Design Guidance and zoning restrictions on heights and setbacks. With increased density comes more parking problems - parking management plans for neighborhoods can be a solution.

The (2040) General Plan Update (GPU) will be presented to the community in August. Zoning updates will follow in 2021 (How do we encourage more ownership of smaller units rather than only rentals?).

Sustainability, Equity, Mobility & Housing are the major issues in the 2040GPU and our Community Plans.

**Traffic:** LPCA can combine efforts with other community associations for local safety traffic improvement grants from Caltrans. It is extremely difficult to get traction with the city: If you are not in a designated hot spot you are out of luck. They have not responded to practical economic suggestions. They have been directed to not participate with us from director of public works.

However, Jay Schenirer is interested in leveraging \$45k to get \$450k traffic safety grant, which may create an opportunity for cooperation.