

Fifth by Northwest Area Commission Meeting

February 12, 2008, 7 p.m.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Meeting called to order by Andy Byerly Chairperson and minutes approved from January meeting for the record

I. City of Columbus

A. Steve Soble, Neighborhood Liaison City of Columbus

- 1) Operation Sidewalks Public Meeting, February 19, 5:30 p.m. — Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, 111 Liberty Street, Suite 100 – City has analyzed suggestions for sidewalks criteria. For more information about this project, visit the Web page by going to: <http://pubserv.ci.columbus.oh.us/transportation/Index.htm> and clicking on the Operation SAFEWALKS logo. RSVP: Debra Crosby, 614-233-4145, or dcrosby@morpc.org
- 2) United Way Training program for Area Commissioners – Upcoming calendar dates:
 - a) February 27, 2008 – Columbus City Code 3109, 757 Carolyn Avenue
 - b) March 12, 2008 – Parliamentary Procedures & Robert's Rules, 757 Carolyn Avenue
 - c) April 9, 2008 – Zoning & Area Commission, 757 Carolyn Avenue
 - d) April 30, 2008 – Legal Issues, Role of the City Attorney, Health Dept. Auditorium – 240 Parsons Avenue (2nd offering of this mandatory session)
- 3) State of the City Address, Mayor Coleman — Columbus, March 13th doors open 5:10 p.m., the events begin at 6:00 and the speech will conclude around 7:00, followed by a reception – location to be decided

II. Zoning

A. Laura Macgregor Comek – Crabbe Brown & James LLP representing Jimmy V's rear patio variance proposal

- 1) Proposal is an adjustment to the plan previously approved by the area commission but rejected by the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) due to concerns about parking reduction and refuse disposal.
- 2) Development group is proposing leases and signage promoting permitting parking in nearby lots.

III. Area Commission Updates

A. Andy Byerly, Chairperson

- 1) **Public Workshop – Fifth By Northwest Neighborhood Plan Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 6:30 to 8:00 pm – Grandview Heights High School, 1587 West Third Street.**
 - a) First Public Workshop for 5XNW Neighborhood Plan – Input the public and we provide at this workshop will form the basis for the development of neighborhood plan.
 - b) Agenda: Land use and urban design policies and guidelines, development opportunities, and transportation priority issues.
 - c) Public feedback online opportunity:
<http://td.ci.columbus.oh.us/Bizdevelopment/PlanList/index.asp> – Share flyers/Web address (City's Website under 'Development' > 5XNW)
 - d) For more information— Devayani Puranik, Senior Planner, City of Columbus Planning Division, 109 N. Front Street Columbus, OH 43215 Phone: 614.645.0663 Email: ddpuranik@columbus.gov
 - e) Next Public Workshop: April 29th, 2008 – Grandview Heights High School, Public Workshop #2, 6:30 – 8:30pm.

B. Becky Obester, Co – Chair

- 1) **5XNW Neighborhood Plan Meeting & Public Working Committee Report:**
 - a) February 7th, 2008
 1. Synopsis of stakeholder interviews & update from 5XNW AC – United Way Gateway signage grant proposal – to meet need identified by stakeholders
 2. Roster needs to be finalized/construction of the Work Group membership & makeup of Committee

- b) Next meeting of the Working Committee – April 15th, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
- 2) **Community Coalition**
 - a) Next meeting Saturday, March 29th at the John Ashburn, Jr. Youth Center on the Hilltop at 85 S. Claredon Avenue, 6:00 pm.
 - 1. Formation of “Green Team” – Valerie Toliver Committee Member, and Martha Buckalew from Friends of the Ravines, Clintonville, She is connecting us with ongoing “Green” meetings in Clintonville – as a resource. Valerie Toliver has contacted the Ohio Environmental Council and other groups as resources.
 - 2. Agenda items: Infrastructure, Crime, Traffic, Dispute Resolution (Boundaries) and the governance of the group
- 3) **Neighborhood Outreach** – Bruce Mortland & Becky Obester presenting overview of 5XNW to 40 Plus of Central Ohio, Tuesday February 19, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. – mutual benefit, grant underwriter
- 4) **Communications**
 - a) Press: Community Coalition covered in “Suburban News” & “This Week” newspapers
 - b) Television: Community Television Channel opportunity for 5XNW
 - c) Website/archives – Please send documents to R.J. Sontag (new and old) as we get them, so that he can post to Web site.
 - d) Media contacts: New contact with Tri-Village News is: Sierra Estes (?) getting contact information for the group, sent info re: Public Workshop, Sidewalks, 2012, Community Coalition

C. Bruce Shalter, Zoning

- 1) Old Business:
 - a) Walgreen’s Development – Update, possible hold on project, landowner behind the property – alley is not up to code, must be brought to code to handle development – on the side of Walgreen’s development plans
 - b) Conservation District legislation – Currently being considered, local “landmarks” can be protected if designated
 - c) Chocolate Café update
- 2) New Business: BZA Meetings Update

D. Valerie Toliver, Treasurer

- 1) Budget update
 - a) New funds March of 2008 – Changes/updates for Area Commission(s) in 2008
 - b) 2012 Columbus City Bicentennial update – 2012 marks the 200th anniversary of the City Columbus. Mayor Coleman has launched the visioning process “Dream It. Do It.” to enhance the quality of life throughout Columbus.
 - c) The project is led by the Columbus 2012 Bicentennial Commission, which has heard from thousands of residents about what it takes to make Columbus a leading 21st Century city.
 - d) Neighborhood Meetings:
 - 1. Northwest Columbus – Tuesday, February 19 (6–8pm) – Centennial High School
 - 2. East Columbus – Tuesday, February 19 (6–8pm) – Eastmoor High School
 - 3. Northeast Columbus – Thursday, February 21 (6–8pm) – Mifflin High School
 - 4. South Columbus – Thursday, February 21 (6–8pm) – Parsons Elementary
 - 5. West Columbus – Thursday, February 21 (6–8pm) – West Mound Elementary

E. Bruce Mortland, Member at Large

- 1) Newsletter status
 - a) Distribution and printing – January
 - b) Future plans for newsletter: Interviews of local business owners, community leaders, pictures of local development opportunities
- 2) Update on United Way grant application – Letter of Intent and next steps with United Way for Gateway Signage proposal timeline

F. R.J. Sontag, Secretary

1) Web site update: www.fifthbynorthwest.org

IV. Public comment

**V. Next meeting – Tuesday, March 11, 2008 – Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,
7 p.m.**