

## CCG Steering Committee Meeting Minutes (via Zoom)

Wed, June 7, 2023

Members Present: Homar Barcena, Michele Troise, Mark Kellogg, Tony Wagg, Annie Chadwick, Foram Sheth (chair)

Members Absent: Catherine Lafferty, Veanne Cox, Monica Hoyt, Chris Sharp (resigned)

Meeting Called to Order by Foram Sheth: 7:45pm

Old Business: May Minutes sent, committee members need to read and send email to Cat to approve or edit.

Financials: Homar sent financial spreadsheet before meeting, discussed incomes – 9<sup>th</sup> Ave Festival, Key Sales, etc. No big expenditures in May.

Key Sales Coordinator Needed: signup sheet maintenance, make sure there is enough key inventory, add committee contacts as an excel sheet tab. Mark to take on responsibility.

New Committee Member: Foram made a motion to have Annie as an interim steering committee member as we need 9-13 SC member according to bylaws. Motion approved, none opposed.

Need Volunteer Coordinator: Mark, Tony, and Annie will share responsibility

June 24 Volunteer Day: Contact Shelley about shed project, Heads for composting need to be present. VD ok'd but not everyone can be there.

July 4 BBQ: Need Cat's input since Andy will not be able to grill. Need to check if there is a grill in the shed, otherwise buy one. July 4 budget is \$800, burgers and hotdogs are suggested along with a potluck or a \$5 donation.

Tree boxes on sidewalk: Tabled because of issues with safety and the need for a dedicated person to take initiative. This is a potential project for a new volunteer.

Lawn Proposal: Area under the yew tree, behind two benches. Unclear if the proposal is for one or two plots, it was suggested that there should be drawings/pictures of the proposed plots. Annie brought up history of the garden's commitment to lawn and suggested Bee lawns. Motion was made to try this approach for the entire area in question to see if the bee lawn experiment works. Annie will email Debbie about bee lawn proposal and request sketch of proposed beds. Michele to perform soil pH testing.

Bulletin Board and Plot Markers: Foram will get one of the gardeners to fix bulletin board door. Sample for plot markers did not arrive yet.

Equipment: Foram bought new tubs and new wheelbarrows. Homar bought new hose reel for west side plots. Victoria's visit summary – equipment bought and front garden plants. Remaining credit from Victoria ~\$100, which may be used for bulb purchase in the Fall.

Plot Walk-through: Foram explained the plot committee is a 1-2 person job historically. Foram and Homar performed plot walk-through late May and emailed gardeners who has not planted. Michele and Annie suggested that walk-through must be done earlier in May because of short planting season, and follow-up in two weeks.

Rat Sterilization: Foram brought up that the cost would be \$1400 - \$1500 per year. Michele suggested to bargain with the company for 1/3 the cost. Tabled for next meeting.

Front Garden Expenses: Annie requested money for cedar posts, motion approved. Foram requested shepherd stakes for locust tree bed.

Bat House: Michele noted that it would take \$1000+ to install. The pole needs to be 15-30 ft long and we would need a flagpole company. Michele suggested installation behind shed and will produce pictures of proposal.

Meeting adjourned 9:26 pm.