

Monroe Park Advisory Council – Notes

May 14, 2008

Notes from 5/14/08 (if you get these early enough, please bring any comments or corrections to the meeting)

The MPAC met at 4 p.m. on May 14, 2008, at the Landmark Theater. Alice Massie, MPAC Chairperson presided.

Members in attendance were Alice Massie, Pat Daniels, James Hill, Elinor Kuhn, David Cliner, Todd Woodson, and Turk Sties.

Alice told us about a meeting she attended with Rachel Flynn, J.R. Pope, Chris Beschler, and Larry Miller at which they discussed the RFP for selecting a firm to provide construction drawings to proceed with implementing the Monroe Park master plan. The MPAC made comments on the draft RFP and arrived at a consensus of changes to be offered to the City to consider for inclusion in the text of the RFP.

Other items discussed: Recent damage to the bollards, the painting of the fountain and the color of the paint that was applied, the other tasks (outside Monroe Park), the ongoing concern that the fountain should have a circulation pump and treated water.

Alice spoke also about another meeting she went to where she met with Brian Ohlinger and the Director of the VCU Brand Center. The director offered help and support w some aspects of idea of branding Monroe Park and also perhaps some other yet unspecified projects for next term.

Alice commented that at the Lyndon Miller lecture she heard that it was advisable to close a park when doing a major renovation. Alice also met two police officers assigned to Project Hope. These officers may be able to assist the MPAC with the problems associated with the feedings in the park.

Meeting adjourned.

Agenda for the 6/11/08 meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Announcements
3. Any report from the Police
4. Discussion of Zoning and Other Regulations regarding the park
5. Old Business (Fountain, RFP, etc.)
6. New Business
7. Adjourn