

Fan District Association

Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2021

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Tim Beane called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Tim Beane, Rebecca Keller, Chris Peterson, Kip Caudle, Ted Theofanos, Melissa Savenko, Lacy Williams, Jonathan Marcus, Ian Lim

Guests Present: David Naoroz, Richmond City Police

GUEST REPORTS

City Police: David Naoroz, Richmond City Police, reported the Lee Statue removal is a State Police effort. 100+ troopers will be on site and City police will assist. No protests have been scheduled. Violent crime has increased with several robberies in the area, but property crime has declined.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

TREASURERS REPORT

Statement of Activity and Statement of Financial Position were reviewed. The budget will be approved at a future meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement & Zoning: The chair noted there will be many SUPs in the coming months and reminded the Board that developers only have to notify neighbors that live within 150 feet of a project. The Board should inform Katherine Jordan this is a problematic standard and also discuss the possibility for a historic overlay. Currently, any structure can be demolished. Also, The Shenandoah project is moving forward. Finally, there are concerns about the Bank of America parking lot project. The Chair will draft a more detailed report for the Board given so much code and zoning activity.

Membership: The Chair reminded members that we committed to making personal appeals to lapsed members. Moving forward, she proposed a postcard campaign to encourage new resident members and plans a new resident initiative that fine tunes the FDA value proposition including our work on neighborhood land use issues.

Safety: The Chair noted FDA should promote greater awareness of an increasing graffiti issue.

Infrastructure: The Chair has been working with the Richmond Public Works Department on the lack of trashcans in the Fan. We know of seven that have been removed and will do an inventory to determine if FDA needs to purchase more receptacles. We will talk with Jerry Beverage about extending the clean sweep program.

Parks & Trees: - The Chair talked with the City about a *coordinated alley clean up* where volunteers help load trucks driven by City workers. Due to liability, the City no longer participates in these events. Also, *Fall Park Clean Up* is tentatively planned for December 4th. Thanks for recent *Meadow Park* help by a Fan high school student. The Chair has reached out to local *High Schools* about posting park clean up volunteer opportunities. Maggie Walker and Trinity High School students are participating. Members with contacts at local private high schools who handle student volunteer hours are asked to send contact information so that we can pursue additional response. Finally look out for *Park Stewards* wearing FDA Park Steward t-shirts.

Programs & Events: HHT is canceled and the Board will reach out about doing the light program again with full participation/support from members. FDA support of the October Fan Arts Stroll is an option to replace the FDA Annual meeting and 3 concerts. We will discuss further at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08pm. Our next meeting will be on Monday, October 3rd.