

## Meeting minutes from Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

1. Housekeeping
  - a. Minutes were reviewed and approved
  - b. Treasure's report
    - i. No money had been spent over the last month. We still have \$617
  - c. No letters were sent this month.
2. Announcements/Changes to the Agenda
  - a. Jim Hynes and other City of Berkeley staff members were at the meeting to discuss Measure G
  - b. Measure G was approved by 78% of the voters to deal with green house gases.
  - c. Would like to do a Measure G presentation at the general meeting
  - d. Some things to discuss include
    - i. Sustainable transportation
    - ii. Energy use
    - iii. Waste education
    - iv. Working with the student population in some manner
  - e. It is important for the neighborhood groups to get involved because the changes impact the local areas
  - f. The plan is still evolving so we can have some input
3. Physical Environment
  - a. Berkeley Project Workday
    - i. Have volunteers, need more
    - ii. 9-12 on Saturday
    - iii. Projects were based on the planning meetings
    - iv. We are focusing on the park
  - b. Signage
    - i. Temp signs are up and seem to be staying up
    - ii. There will be more made to put up
    - iii. Work to get real signs made
    - iv. The City doesn't have a policy on signs like these
    - v. Working with the City Attorney
      1. Signs like these could open the door for other things
    - vi. Possible pilot program
4. Community Outreach
  - a. Pools Task Force
    - i. Meeting on Wednesday at 7p at Malcolm X
    - ii. Need more input
    - iii. First Meeting
      1. Very good

2. Good turn-out from seniors, lap swimmers and the disabled
3. Not a lot of families
4. Extend King and Willard with thermal and/or solar covers

5. Disaster Prep

- a. Had a sub-committee meeting
- b. Divided up the neighborhood
  - i. Each has 10-12 houses
  - ii. Need an organization below Willard
- c. Several items
  - i. USGS booklet
  - ii. Info prep sheet
  - iii. Personal information about the home
  - iv. Put something white out or in a window to indicate OK
- d. No awareness from the students
- e. Start some conversations with students

6. Crime

- a. Significant increase
- b. See lots of police
- c. City Council will be discussing
  - i. Violence Prevention Plan
    1. Small grants for Neighborhood Watch
    2. Restructure Community Policing
    3. Meeting Dec 8<sup>th</sup>
    4. Additional 2 police officers

7. Noise and Party

- a. Lynn is very excited about what we are doing
- b. It hasn't been very quiet
- c. Met with the University and they would like more data
- d. Some landlords are very helpful
- e. The police are not very responsive
  - i. University doesn't have any data because there is no report
- f. Student problems
  - i. Document as much as possible and send to Lynn. She'll send over the information to the University
- g. Would like to see 2 things happen
  - i. More friendly chats between University officials and students without a police report
  - ii. More police reports for repeat offenders
- h. Approve document and Lynn's plan
  - i. Write a letter to the police
    1. Not responding

- 2. Not writing police reports
    - 3. Not giving 2<sup>nd</sup> responses
    - 4. Refer to the plan to have dispatch send someone local
  - i. Meeting with Jan Stokley and HiP House
    - i. She is Exec. Director of Student Co-op
    - ii. Michelle was offered mediation but refused
    - iii. Speak with Tim Ruckle who is the Liaison Manager
    - iv. Disagreement on what is acceptable
    - v. There is a meeting on Tuesday
    - vi. Everyone wants a peaceful, well-run house
    - vii. Michelle didn't want mediation because it wasn't binding
    - viii. Tim feels that outside dinner parties aren't true
    - ix. Tim wants to make it very clear that HiP is NOT suing Michelle
    - x. Letter to the Co-Op
      - 1. Be more pro-active
      - 2. A more formal approach for concerns
      - 3. Hold until after the meeting and send if necessary
8. Political Action
- a. Telegraph Change
    - i. 24/7 business district
    - ii. Some merits to the idea
    - iii. Funded by Telegraph Business District
  - b. BRT
    - i. Further consult with PR people
    - ii. Have a 'pyramid' style meeting
    - iii. Get a date for early Dec
    - iv. Need at least an hour
9. Organizational Structure
- a. General meeting
    - i. What to be about
      - 1. Disaster Prep
      - 2. Sustainability
  - b. Motion on the General Meeting
    - i. On January 29<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Have Sustainability and Disaster Prep as themes for the year
    - iii. Elect the Steering Committee
  - c. Rules and Procedures
    - i. Proposed by-law changes
      - 1. Reviewed the changes
    - ii. Motion to approved the by-laws as noted and discussed
      - 1. Motion passed