



The Willard Neighborhood Association

Steering Committee: John Anderson • George Beier (Secretary) • Doug Buckwald • John Caner • Vincent Casalaina • (President) • Dione Cota • David Cottle • Joe Halperin • Lynn Halperin • Marcia Levenson • Greg Murphy • Michelle Pellegrin • Ernest Scosseria • Tim Ruckle (acting) • Greg Wineger

Steering Committee Agenda 10/18/07

Welcome & Introductions

7:30 Attending Steering Committee (5 min)

John Anderson	George Beier (late)	Doug Buckwald (abs)
John Caner	Vincent Casalaina	Dione Cota
Dave Cottle	Joe Halperin (abs)	Lynn Halperin (abs)
Marcia Levenson	Greg Murphy	Michelle Pellegrin
Ernie Scosseria	Tim Ruckle	Greg Wineger

Kriss Worthington – D7		John Gordon
Gordon Wozniak – D8		
Tom Bates – Mayor		Sharon Hudson
City Manager		David Baker
CENA / LeConte NA	Bateman / Halcyon	

Approval of Minutes from 9/20 George (5 min) (pgs 3-4) **put off (lack of quorum)**

7:35 copy of letters 1) thank you letters from Block Party (avail. next month)

Announcements/Changes to agenda (10 min)

7:40 **discuss items out of agenda order at pleasure of those present**

Noise / Party

8:30 Chancellor's Task Force/roving parties – Michelle (10 min)

Welcome Week – late night activities to keep students occupied

Use of shuttle buses to take students home after events

Discussion of making shuttles permanent

UC will fund staff position – coordinating Off-Campus Resident issues

Details still to be addressed but commitment to process

Tang Health Center promoting safe partying

Providing services for students cited for alcohol related issues

Quality of Life Log

See item B on neighborhood link “community pages”

Neighbors fill in Excel template and forward info to Michelle

Michelle compiles and forwards data – 95 entries over 5 months

Michelle will write up this program for inclusion in next newsletter

On-Site Manager posting

Cal Work Day – students to survey 2500 & 2600 blocks for compliance

No Change in BMC regarding posting of contact information – Vincent (2 min)

See item C for our proposed Ordinance

City Attorney determined our posting requirements are pre-empted by current State law.

See item D for City Attorney's analysis of this issue.

Land Use / Parking / Transportation

9:15 2525 Telegraph Ave. – Art House/Cafe Michelle/Dione(5 min)

Update outcome from ZAB meeting

No appeal of ZAB decision

Some conditions not included in Use Permit

View video (Michelle + others) of hearing

ask staff to correct errors

glaring example – no ambient music levels mentioned

Start clock on 6 month review when business opens

Create White Paper on development South of Dwight

Michelle will facilitate with Dione, Sharon and David B working

Timeline – draft ready for November SC meeting

8:40 Transit – George/others (15 min)

Update from Oct. 8th meeting (Group name – BBTOP)

Event / WNA action item?

Request that George create summary of current status for newsletter.

DAPAC meeting Sat. 10/20 (pg 6)

BRT not focus -- but important to make neighborhood position clear

BANA meeting w/ AC Trans. President Sat. 10/27 (pgs 7-8)

This Special BANA Meeting will be best forum to show AC Transit the depth of concern for current plans in Berkeley.

8:55 Wrights Garage (20 min)

short presentation from John Gordon (Vincent).

Exempt from CEQA since project does not extend outside existing structure.

Comparison with Garibaldi on College and Downtown on Shattuck

Both are 5,000 Sq ft restaurants / both have upscale clientele

Specific clauses in lease to assure this does not turn into student bar

Met with alcohol consultant regarding how to assure desired outcome

All alcohol must be poured – not drunk out of bottle

No games (electronic or otherwise) in lounge area

Parking raised as issue

Working with Huntmont Garage (Regent St) Valet & Self Park

Extend parking to other merchants – such as at holiday period

Working with CoB to extend hours of meter operation in existing parking lot – assuring turn over in evening dining period.

Cannot proceed with leasing any of the spaces until settlement with ENA.

Organizational Structure

8:20 Special meeting to discuss organizational structure Vincent/Michelle (10 min)

Special Meeting will be set-up in next two weeks – Vincent

Please bring text of proposed by law changes to discussion

Propose language for by law changes

Size of Steering Committee

Replacement of SC members after resignation/removal

Method for SC to amend by laws between general membership meetings

Email Voting by SC

Method for endorsing ballot initiatives

Enumerate responsibilities, duties and limitations of WNA officers

Including editorial & production of newsletter

Look at method of electing officers at general membership meeting

Method for electing officers when a vacancy occurs

Method for setting agendas at monthly meetings

Public Works / Clean up

7:50 October 27 event Greg M (10 min) (pg 5)

presenter not present

Public Safety / Crime / Homeless / Disaster Preparedness

8:00 Public Commons Hearing – Saturday, Sept. 29 update Dione/George (5 min)

no report as no one present attended

Organizational Structure

8:05 removal of inactive SC members – George (5 min)

- Update on Ernie Scosseria

presenter not present

8:10 Discussion of what requires a vote by SC – Michelle (10 min)

– Should substantive changes/additions to letters require a vote before sending?

– Who determines substantive?

To be covered in by laws revision meeting

Land Use / Parking / Transportation

8:55 Wrights Garage (20 min)

Elmwood Neighborhood Assoc. Judith Epstein – declined to attend

Will attend November meeting

Motion (Marcia) – give WNA contribution to ENA to fight this development
presenter not present

Old Business

MKThink envisioning session – Doug B -- held over till November

New Business

9:20 No issues currently on agenda (10 min)

Adjourn

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