

# *Livingston Avenue Area Commission*



## **Meeting Minutes**

**640 S. Ohio Avenue ~ Columbus, OH 43205**

**August 28, 2012 General Meeting**

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by BS.
- 2) Roll call –DC-ue
- 3) Public Notice: Change of By-Laws, Meeting Date  
BS- Considering moving meetings to another space.  
Q- Have you gotten an answer from NCH?  
A- Still waiting to hear back.  
CW- It would make sense to move to a space and date that a sub-committee has reserved at DP Library. Date would be third Tues. of each month.  
SM made a motion to change meeting location and date to third Tues. every month 6:30-8 p.m. at the DP Library beginning Sept. 18, 2012. LW seconded, passed 7-0-0.
- 4) Approval of Minutes  
We have March through July to approve, once they are approved they will be posted on Livingstonave.com.  
SM-How should sub-committee minutes be submitted to BL?  
A. Should be able to post on website, get with CF at DP Library during school hours. CF made a motion to pass LAVA-C minutes for March through July, LS seconded, motion passed 7-0-0.
- 5) Public Notice: Commission Vacancies, Call for Resumes and Petitions  
One current vacant seat due to attendance record. Former Commissioner has been notified.
- 6) Terms ending 2012, Election Committee Appopintment Comments  
For upcoming election, three current Commissioners, CW, CF and MS are up for re-election. Election date is set for the first Sat. of November, anyone interested except those running for re-election, need to submit a resume and a petition with 25 signatures, by the third Tues. of Oct.  
BS-Consider bypassing special election in Oct. and hold a four seat election in Nov. Current Commissioners need to declare intentions to run for re-election by Oct. 3. Also need to name an election committee. All current Commissioners except CW, CF, and MS have been appointed to the election committee.  
Q- Can a downloadable petition be posted on LAVA-C's website?  
A-Yes. Requirement for Commissioners is 3 year term, will have to chair a committee, update website. Must live inside boundaries of LAVA-C to be eligible. 3 unexcused absences of meetings equal resignation.



7) Vacancy for the remainder of term for Executive Board: Treasurer

BS- Are there any Commissioners willing to assume Treasurer duties until Nov. elections? Treasurer will need to retrieve money from past Treasurer and approve pending expenditures. Will also need to report on balance at remaining meetings for 2012 and submit a report at the annual meeting. See bylaws for additional requirements.

SM would be interested in assuming Treasurer duties, BL has a copy of the 2011 budget and can file an amendment for 2012, then Treasurer and President will have to sign off on the MOA to make balance correct.

8) Committee Assignment through 2012

BS- Every Commissioner needs to maintain their committee meetings. Currently there are funds available for housing now that Livingston Ave. has been designated as an NCR district. There is a need to create 2 additional committees. One for Economic Business Development and one for Economic Housing Development. For the NCR to be created there needs to be an active Business Association. LAVA-C will need to reach out and revisit businesses along Livingston Ave. to inform them of the NCR and possible funding that will be available. The housing committee will need to reach out to the civics to make sure information is being shared efficiently.

Q- Why reassign Commissioners?

A- It's not a reassignment, additional committees are being created. Commissioners need to be assigned to the committees because they have difficult tasks that require teamwork and accountability.

- Similar to 2011, when LAVA-C shifted all focus to Economic Development. This can consolidate and strengthen AC and set a direction for NCR and future development in the area.

Q- Does this change responsibility of Commissioners?

A- No.

-LAVA-C would need to call a special meeting in an instance where a decision needs to be made within one of the new Committees. Will also need to publish meeting dates for new committees on city auditor's page. City is still deciding on the scope of NCR involvement along Livingston Ave. Business meeting will be the first Sat. of every month from 3-5 at DP Library. Housing = CF, LS, CW, MS. Business = BS, SM, LW, DC.

9) Commissioner Feedback

SM-ED, Joan Harris reading letter dated Aug. 28, 2012. Requesting a letter be written to Council member Tyson for installation of cameras along Livingston Ave. Requesting a letter be written to City Council requesting more police, fire, safety resources and contact information for liaisons. Requesting a letter to City Council to object to liquor licenses in our area and the pending requests for a liquor license at 1475 Livingston. Requesting a letter to object to and call for review of all liquor licenses in the LAVA-C area where there are 8 carry-outs with liquor license in the span of 15 bus stops along Livingston.



-Liquor licenses are state regulated; we need to contact our State Representative.

BS- There are cameras along Livingston Ave. Our issue last year was that the city did not consult police or the community when researching where to place them.

SM-Is in the process of identifying 10 locations to place cameras.

- LAVA-C will draft the letters and is happy to have the support of so many residents.

Q- How many groups are in attendance, requesting these letters?

A- 3 from HV, 3 from OO, 2 from LP, the remainder from DP.

- Letters will need to be addressed to City Council as a whole.

SM would like to attend the City Council meeting in Sept. to discuss liquor permit objections and would like to submit LAVA-C's letter at that time.

- The letter requesting cameras should include statistics, etc. to substantiate the need for more cameras along Livingston. LAVA-C will need that information to draft the letter.

- The letter requesting an increase in Emergency Services will need the support of the Liaisons.

- Cameras along Livingston were promised within the past 5 years, i.e. there was to be one at Livingston and Fairwood, but the city hired a consultant and did not solicit input for CPD or community to determine final placement of cameras.

- Please attend your local civic meetings and keep in mind it is important to call, 311, 4545 and 911 as issues arise.

MS made a motion to draft and submit 4 letters as requested. LW seconded, discussion

- City attorney will be accepting liquor license objections in Oct. A petition against renewal/issuance of license for specific addresses should be submitted. City Council makes a recommendation, but the decision is made on a state level.

- In the case of 1475 Livingston, it will be easier to have the initial application verses trying to have the permit pulled. Motion passed, 7-0-0.

SM- The letters will be sent where?

A- They will be submitted to City Council and a copy will be provided to anybody that plans on attending Sept. or subsequent City Council meetings.

10) Public Comments

None.

11) Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm by BS.

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



