



## I. Call to Order and Introductions

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association was held November 8, 2016, at the Moore College of Art and Design, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19130.

The meeting was called to order by President Drew Murray at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Drew Murray (President), Jovida Hill (Vice President), Dennis Boylan (Secretary), Andy Toy (Treasurer), Bill & Lynn Armstead, Wendy Blume, David Cardy, Edward Dougherty, Michael Hoffberg, Rich Leimbach, Tully Speaker, Pat Toy, Nancy & Don Weinberg and David Searles (Ex Officio), Jim Fennell (Tivoli), Jim Ruddick (City View South), Sheryl Johnson (City View North), Sean Kardon (The Arches).

Not Present: Zac Arbitman, Laura Foster/Aaron Goldblatt, Bill & Lynn Armstead, Brett Goldman, Barbara Krassenstein, Valerie Lagauskas, Hassam Mirsaeedi, Manish Pathak / Shree Madbhavi, Edward Novack, Francine Pollock, Edward Panek, Gayle Ruggeri, Joe Sirbak, Anita & Dan Solis-Cohen, Robert Sutton, Max Tuttleman, Linda Wong, Robert Funk (2201 Condominium), Eileen Frierson (Park Towne Place), Louise Quattrone (Kennedy House), Rich DiNublia (Murano), Sven Schroeter (2200 Arch), Donna Ferrari (Beechwood Commons), Jennifer Robinson (Watermark), Mathew Cohen (River's Edge).

President Murray welcomed all in attendance to this monthly meeting of the association; the Secretary reported that a quorum was present. President Murray thanked the Moore College of Art and Design for their hospitality and use of the facility.

Secretary's Report: The minutes for the LSNA General Meeting held on October 18, 2016, were submitted for approval.

*Motion to approve the October 2016 General Meeting minutes.  
Seconded. Approved*

Consent Agenda: President Murray noted that the Consent Agenda for this evenings meeting had been a distributed to the Board and request its approval.

*Motion to approve the Consent Agenda for the November 2016 LSNA Monthly Meeting. Seconded. Approved*

Treasurer's Report: (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda)

*Motion to approve the Treasurer's report.  
Seconded. Approved.*

## **II. Announcements**

- a) Thanks to all who helped make the 43rd Annual LSNA Coxe Park Halloween Party a great success.
- b) The Love Your Park cleanup for Coxe and Baldwin parks will take place on Saturday, November 12, 2016.
- c) The kickoff meeting for Aviator Park restoration will take place on November 15, 2016 at the Franklin Institute.
- d) Photos of all the ongoing construction projects in the LSNA area were shown.

## **III. Committee Reports** (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda)

## **IV. Presentations**

1. Riverwalk Project. John Stavin of Philadelphia Management (PMC) and Nathan Kim of Gensler architects provided an overview for a proposed development for 23rd Street & JFK Boulevard. This was not a RCO presentation, rather an information meeting. There were certain exception approved for a previous developer in 2014 which "sunset" this year and PMC is now asking for a 5 year extension. The previous exceptions addressed height restrictions and retail placement on the property. Nathan Kim (Gensler) provided an overview of a proposed design for the project with emphasis on sustainability, views, and pedestrian friendly landscaping. The project would consist of two towers, with the possibility of an additional third tower in the future. PMC proposed two near neighbor meetings going forward to address concerns and questions. PMC would like to break ground for the north tower of this \$300MM project in June of 2017.
2. Bicycle Coalition of Philadelphia. Presentation by Sarah Stuart Clarke, Executive Director. For making JFK and Market Streets livable for all. Both streets at present feel like I-95 because of excessive automobile speed, facilitated by the width of these streets. What the Bicycle coalition of Philadelphia is proposing is to make these two streets.
3. Presentation: Planning Commission rezoning process for the Logan Square. There was a community meeting on October 6 was which the new plan was outlined. The next step will be for LSAN to communicate to Council President Clarke if the proposal is acceptable. The issue of the new zoning overlays was noted and to that end LSNA will request that the overlays are included in the final zoning map that City Council will vote on.

*Motion to sen a letter of approval (with request for inclusion of overlays).  
Seconded. Approved.*

**V. Zoning Report (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda)**

a) Ed Panek (Chair) made the following motions:

*Motion to issue a letter of non-opposition for the 1Pet Spa variance at Park Town  
Place variance request. Seconded. Approved.*

**VI. Old Business**

a) Garden lot at 20th and Hamilton. LSNA special committee (Panek, Sirbek & Sutton) has looked at the landscaping improvements (to include a driveway) which have taken place at this lot and found that they are in accordance with the previous neighborhood development agreement. Ad hoc committee recommends that a letter, noting such concurrence will be sent to Jan Yeager and Rick Schnitzler (the property owners).

*Motion in support of driveway landscaping, Seconded. Approved.*

**VIII. New Business**

A. Aviator Park. (See report Attachment A) Ed Dougherty and John Barrett have been working on the issue of the homeless encampment in this Park. They noted the impact on Moore College and the Franklin Institute. They have met with Paul Levy and have a meeting with officials from the City later this week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm

Treasurer's Report  
September 1 – September 30, 2016

TD Bank Checking Balance as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 \$ 49,709.22

Cash & Check Receipts

September

- Dues and Contributions (incl. \$1,531 Morgan's Pier for Aviator Park Pop-Up Beer Garden and Insurance refund) \$ 4,868.00
- PayPal Transfer \$ 500.00

Total Receipts \$ 5,368.00

Payments

September

- Colleen Walsh (food for first responders event) \$ 853.82
- Ed Novack (wine for block party) \$ 194.69
- James Vogelsgang (block party clown) \$ 300.00

Total Payments \$ 1,348.51

TD Bank Balance as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 \$ 53,728.71

Additional funds still in PayPal as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 : \$ 1,633.31

**TOTAL BALANCE as of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 \$ 55,362.02**

(Balance TD Bank on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015: \$38,567.31)

**LSNA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

September 10, 2016 – October 12, 2016

October 18, 2016 Board Meeting

**FY16-17 Members – 307**

Residential – 283 (236 Renewals; 47 NEW) 55 due for renewal

Commercial – 24 (17 Renewals; 7 NEW)

- 13 Bldg./Condo Associations (10 Renewal; -3 NEW) 1 due for renewal
- 11 Businesses or Institutions (7 Renewals; 4 NEW) 8 due for renewal

**FY16-17 Membership Income – Total \$12,185**

Residential – \$8,185

Commercial – \$4,000

- Bldg./Condo Associations - \$2,500
- Businesses or Institutions - \$1,500

Submitted by Pat Toy

Chair, Membership Committee

**FY15-16 Membership Summary**

Total Members – **336**

Residential – 310

Commercial – 26

- 14 Bldg./Condo Associations
- 12 Businesses or Institutes

Total Income – **\$13,505**

Households/Individuals – \$9,555

Bldg./Condo Associations - \$2,750

Businesses or Institutions - \$1,200

**FY14-15 Membership Summary**

Total Members – **309**

Residential – 278

Commercial – 31

Total Income – **\$16,365**

Households/Individuals \$9,445

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**ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. 210 North 21st Street (Old Please Touch Museum) - Demolition continues and is close to completion. NDA has been executed.
2. 119 N. 21st Street - NDA has been executed.
3. The Granary -A meeting has been scheduled for October 27, 2016.
4. 60 N. 23rd Street - Philadelphia Management Company will present at the November 8, 2016 Board Meeting.
5. MANNA (420 N. 20th Street)- No current developments on this project at this time.
6. Cathedral Block Master Plan-LSNA Board meeting/near neighbor meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2016 at 7:00 pm at 222 N. 17<sup>th</sup> Street.

## **PLANNING & DESIGN COMMITTEE REPORT**

October 5th, 2016 / Tivoli Community Rm.

Discussion Summary:

1. Park Towne Place

The group reviewed and discussed a request for a letter of non-opposition to a proposed change of use for one of the Park Towne Place retail tenant spaces to a pet salon to include retail sales, grooming, boarding, and associated services. The committee took no issue with the request.

2. Cathedral Block Plan

On Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, members of the PDC and LSNA attended a presentation by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia introducing a proposed development master plan for the Cathedral Basilica block on Logan Square. The Archdiocese will present its master plan to the greater LSNA community at 7:00 PM on October 24<sup>th</sup> at its offices, 222 N. 17<sup>th</sup> Street.

3. PMC Riverwalk Site

On Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, members of the PDC and LSNA attended a meeting with Philadelphia Management Company, where PMC described its plans for the Riverwalk site at 23<sup>rd</sup> and Arch Streets. Though PDC members generally welcomed the updated plans, we also noted several concerns about building massing, site circulation, parking entrances, adjacent street conditions, the termination of Arch Street, uses facing onto Arch Street at street level, providing pedestrian connections to the Schuylkill Banks trail, and safety adjacent to railroad tracks. The committee believes that PMC will need to develop its designs further before it can recommend to LSNA supporting an extension to the current zoning ordinance's sunset clause expiration date at the end of this year.

4. Next PDC Meeting

The next PDC meeting will be Wed. November 2nd in the Tivoli's community room.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sven Schroeter

## **HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

**October 10, 2016**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Police District**

**Reminder:** lock doors and **windows** on ground floor, as well as **common doors** to residential properties. There has been an increase in homeless people walking into residential rental properties. The suspect involved in car window smashing in the Spring Garden areas has been apprehended.

### **MIA**

It is expected that the option for Made In America in 2017 will be exercised. More will be announced in the near future.

### **CSX**

There is a near neighbor meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup> at Presbyterian Riverside and the residents of the other two properties that are right along the train line. Meeting will be chaired by Andy Toy and is hosted by Linda Wong.

### **Whole Foods Original Location**

Officer Kiefer announced that Target is scheduled to open in March 2017. The committee will update LSNA Board as more information becomes available.

### **Public Safety**

Officer Kiefer announced that residents must adhere to not leaving items on their car seats. Holiday time is approaching and the 9<sup>th</sup> Police District does not want an increase in thefts from auto.

Our next meeting will be held on December 6, 2016 at 7pm in the Community Room at Tivoli. LSNA members are invited to attend the meeting or send the committee concerns that they would like discussed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Eilene Frierson and Colleen Walsh  
[colleen@cwalshcpa.com](mailto:colleen@cwalshcpa.com)  
Co-Chairs



## **AVIATOR PARK COMMITTEE REPORT**

Meeting with Liz Hersh, Director of Homeless Services

October 13, 2016

Attendees: Liz Hersh, Wendy Blum, Charles Blum, Dan Solis Cohen, Ed Dougherty, Rich Rabena, Jose Rivera, Luke Barrett

1. The feeling of the group is that the growth of the homeless population in Aviator park is the result of construction in Love Park and the expressway and the Democratic National Convention.
2. Parks and Rec seem to be most the effective at dealing with the situation.
3. Liz had the following information: There are 6000 homeless in Philadelphia  
700 on street.  
The system has 11,000 beds  
60% permanent supportive housing,  
3400 Shelter beds, focus of resources in creating more supportive housing.  
Project House is 97% effective getting people off the street.  
Homeless street outreach workers, first line of defense  
Talk to homeless and offer service, last week 75 people came in, most go to shelters, detox, hospitals, mental illness facilities, or safe havens.
4. Last two weeks, authorized overtime, Aviator Park is a Hot Spot, outreach has been interviewing asking trying to determine what will it take to get each person into supportive housing. Creating data base of each person's needs,
5. Once this database is complete a plan and budget will be created to determine how to transfer the residents of the park into supportive housing.
6. There is confusion of the rules pertaining to Park laws and Sidewalk ordinance.
7. Aviator park renovation cost \$2.5 million

8. A plan should be in place by the end of the month. Liz vowed to provide status report of progress by 10/27.
9. Liz asked that we help work with Outreach to re-claim park with outreach workers in park.
10. The neighbors and Franklin Institute feel that the homeless have taken the park from us. We can no longer use it.

**NB : If a report from a specific committee is not listed above, there is no report this month.**