

University District Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Minutes

June 6, 2023

6:30 PM

Russell Elementary School Library, 3216 Russell St.

1. Introductions and welcome

- a. Call to order 6:36pm
- b. In Attendance: Darcy Caron (chair), Rick Caron, Jennifer Copley, Esteban Castillo (UM FSI), Emily Ferguson-Seger (UM), Allison Wilson (secretary), Kelly Elam (Missoula Neighborhoods), Jenny Mostafavi

2. Approve minutes for May 9, 2023

- a. Copley moved to approve the minutes, R. Caron seconded.

3. Items to be discussed:

- a. Maurice Avenue Planting Update - Planted deer resistant, heat resistant grass. Total cost \$160. Thinking of adding native wildflowers in the fall.
- b. Bonner Park Grant Update - D. Caron and Kalina Pritchard met with City parks and rec. The black surface by the tennis court can hold 6 bike racks that fit 12 bikes total. Concrete will need to be poured for the racks. This will not affect the plans for adult exercise equipment at Bonner Park. The bike racks will have a laser cut logo that says, "University District, Bonner Park" and will be powder coated lime green. City parks will order the materials.
- c. Planning for General Meeting scheduled for October 10. Doors open at 6pm at the UC Theater. Speakers include Emily Armstrong Homeless Program Manager for Community Development and Captain Stonesifer of Missoula PD. Decided to invite the following groups to table: CERT, Wildlife Habitat and Parks and Recreation. Inviting current City Council representatives and possibly those running for Ward 3 & 4. R. caron moved to pay bill for UC theater and food, Copley seconded.

4. UM Representatives Reports – Esteban Castillo and Emily Steger - No updates.

5. Community Forum Reports – Jennifer Copley - No updates, meeting cancelled.

6. Missoula Neighborhoods Reports – Kelly Elam, Each neighborhood should get a larger budget for fiscal year 23-24.

7. Public comment on non-agenda items - Wilson suggests partnering with a UM student group for a city council candidate Forum.

8. Announcements - none

The meeting adjourned at 8:06pm