

Southgate Triangle Neighborhood Leadership Team Minutes

February 8, 2023

7:00 PM

City Life Center, 1515 Fairview

Team members attending were Bob Martin, Mark Foss, Hans Christiansen, Larry Cron, and Barbara Pulley.

The minutes of the September 22, 2022 were approved. The November 9, 2022 meeting minutes will be approved at a later date. There were no meetings in December or January.

Kelly Lloyd who was absent continues to be a team member while Bryce Rowe is not. Meetings will continue on the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. and will be held at McLeod Park in the warm months of April through possibly September.

In October, Brian Hensel had discussed of the lack of asphalt, due to breakdown of one of the two asphalt plants last summer. This has created a supply chain issue for pothole repair throughout the city, county and developers. Team members were assigned their nearby areas to identify major potholes and report them to the City Street Department.

Many trees planted by the Parks and Recreation department have suffered or died due to lack of water in the Bellevue and McLeod Parks. Bob Martin and Mark Foss will request a meeting with Ben Carson.

The neighborhood Budget is presently \$1285.61. The remainder must be spent before June 33, 2023, or it reverts back to the City's general fund. The annual budget has been \$1,500 per year.

Kalina Pritchard, the neighborhood specialist reported that grant applications will be scored in March. Due to population shifts, the City wards need modifications every two years, there will be public hearings on the modifications for two weeks.

Kalina Pritchard reported on the Community Forum about the Higgins Avenue Corridor Preferred Plan. The concept was approved by the city council on February 6, despite many critics.

Barbara Pulley will contact Donna Gaukler of the Parks department regarding the payment in lieu of parks by the Cowboy Flats developers for planned improvements to the nearby Bellevue Park.

Public comment was on the amount of city and county tax dollars have been spent on the various homeless shelters this past year and the increase in the homeless population.

The next meeting will be March 8.