

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

October 16, 2014

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

7350 E. 29th Ave., Suite 200

**CAB Members Present:** Nadine Caldwell, Greg Nelson, John Fernandez, Phil Flores, Andrew Amador, Brad Dodson, Jeff Lamontagne, David Netz, Damon Knop, Sherikera Heflin, Mike Nicks, Kate Kramer, Angie Malpiede, Dennis Piper, Jim Wagenlander, Lucia Correll **SDC:** Tammi Holloway, Ilana Corson **FC:** Tom Gleason, Heidi Majerik **City:** Deirdre Oss **Others:** Carol Roberts, Steve Larson, Greg Holt, Chad Argentar

**Call to Order:** David Netz called the meeting to order. The September minutes were approved with the corrections that Nadine Caldwell did not mention anything about District 5 but was quoted as doing so. Ms. Caldwell was also noted that the new ULC project will be on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue, not 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Co-Chair Report:** David Netz reminded the committee that as the end of the year approaches, all the committees should be working on their performance standards, focusing on the current filings so that the report can be ready by January. Mr. Netz also reported that he will be speaking with Angie Malpiede about bringing in RTD to discuss the new TOD and community access programs in the near future. Mr. Netz also reminded everyone that the Mayor's "Cabinet in the Community" will be November 1 at Bill Roberts, beginning at 9am. Mr. Netz also mentioned that the SDC board would like a more consistent CAB member to come and report each month at the SDC board meetings. Lucia Correll, CAB co-chair, volunteered to attend the October meeting.

***Partner Cities Updates:***

- **City of Aurora:** Nadine Caldwell reported that there was a picnic at Stanley Aviation on 9/27, which about 75 people attended. They also hosted a ground-breaking ceremony on site on 10/2 with a "jet-pack" guy. Everyone is very excited and fascinated with the upcoming project. On 10/22 at 6pm at North Middle School, there will be a meeting about the Fitzsimmons light rail station. Fall Fest will take place at the Martin Luther King Library on 10/18 from 11am-4pm.

John Fernandez and Chad Argentar presented the plans for ***Westerly Creek Village***. In January 2013, an urban renewal plan was adopted. The vision is that the neighborhood can go from industrial spaces to an active community. The goals include increased access, changing zoning and addressing infrastructure needs. Last month a committee approved a master plan for the redevelopment of Montview Park. Another goal for Aurora is to bridge Stapleton and Aurora. Currently, they are in the implementation phase which should last about 2-5 years. It was asked about the Dayto/Fulton Street connection and clarified that that is still planned for 2017. It was also mentioned that within Aurora Filing 2, they would be looking at different quality housing and will work with Forest City to integrate housing into Stapleton.

Mark Shaker from Flightline Aviation gave a presentation on *Stanley Marketplace*. Stanley Aviation was built in 1951 by Bob Stanley, inventor of the ejector seat. Flightline closed on the property 8/21 and their rezoning has been approved. They are planning to submit their site plan to the city in two weeks. Interior demolition is planned for November – December, with full construction beginning in January. Mr. Shaker really sees this space as connecting all the communities around it and a great place to walk and bike to. He also mentioned that there have been 47 letters of intent so far. Kevin Taylor is a partner in the project as well as White Construction Group, which was the company that did “The Source”. There will be event space, four restaurants (3 lunch/dinner, 1 breakfast), a second floor that will accommodate office space, kids clubs and fitness spaces. So far, Aurora has no information about when and how the fence owned by DIA will be removed. This needs to be addressed in the near future in order to provide quality access to the new developments.

- **City and County of Denver:** Brad Dodson reported that they are focusing on moving along the Westerly Creek and Uplands project. They are still working on financing, which they hope to finish soon. They are in the document review stage right now and hopefully next month, Mr. Dodson will have numbers to present.

Councilman Chris Herndon reported that they are in the budget process. This will be the first year in many years, that there will be no cuts. Councilman Herndon mentioned that there will be three new police academy classes in 2015 with about 50 new initiates in each. It was also mentioned that the control tower is being looked at for alternative uses.

- **Commerce City:** Andrew Amador reported that the outdoor pool at Pioneer Park will break ground next Thursday at 10am. The Boys and Girls Club will break ground on Tuesday at 10am. Mr. Amador also mentioned that they are still in discussion about Mile High Greyhound Park.

#### *Committee Reports:*

- **Housing Diversity:** No written report. Damon Knop says that SDC had asked Forest City to address the affordable housing signage and the Housing Diversity committee drafted their own signage recommendation that they would like approved and passed along to the SDC board for their approval. Tom Gleason mentions that they have been speaking with the SDC Chairman, Kevin Marchman, to address the issue. A copy of the recommendation was provided. **A motion was made to accept the recommendation of the Housing Diversity committee to SDC Board regarding “low-income housing” signage. The motion was properly seconded. Motion passed.**
- **Parks Advisory Group:** Written report provided.
- **Zoning & Planning:** David Netz reported that there was a good discussion about Eastbridge and they will be submitting their comments to SDRC.
- **Stapleton Design Review:** No written report.
- **Transportation:** No written report.

## Stapleton Partner Updates:

- **SDC:** Tammi Holloway reported that they finalized the lease with Recycled Materials.
- **Bluff Lake:** Jeff LaMontagne reported that Colorado Business Bank is hosting Bluff Lake's fundraising kick-off event this evening from 6-7:30pm. John Fielder is hosting a John Denver tribute concert on 10/25, where \$20 from each ticket will go to Bluff Lake. Lastly, there is Trick or Treating at Bluff Lake on 10/30 from 4-6pm.
- **Forest City:** Heidi Majerik provided an update the Section 10 GDP process. They made their 3<sup>rd</sup> submittal on 10/6 and now they are in Phase 3, which is the technical review and awaiting comments. There will be a public hearing on 11/5, where this plan will go before the planning board. Copies of the updated plan were provided as well as comments from the city from the last submittal. It was brought up that a resolution was presented by Housing Diversity committee a few months back regarding the affordable housing and its density on 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It was further clarified that the GDP is still not at that level yet but the affordable housing density was addressed by the city in the suggestions section but it doesn't get specific.
- **District 5** – Angie Malpiede reported that District 5 will hold their annual Halloween party at the academy on Friday, October 31 from 5-8pm. They are in need of volunteers to help build the haunted house, on Thursday and Friday, 10/30 and 10/31, from 7am – 12pm. Please contact Angie Malpiede if interested because a waiver is needed as well.
- **Sand Creek:** Kate Kramer reported that there was a misprint in the Denver Post about the RMANWR, which said they would receive \$17.4 million in funds. The refuge will not receive any of those funds. Ms. Kramer mentioned that they have received \$1.84 million for Westerly Creek portion of Sand Creek.
- **SUN** – Lucia Correll mentioned that SUN has reviewed the SDRC guidelines and is drafting a letter to explain where Eastbridge does not match these criteria.
- **Urban Farm:** Mike Nicks thanked the MCA and the Stapleton Foundation for their support in Farm Fest. There were over 2000 people in attendance.

## Others:

- CAB member Jim Wagenlander feels strongly that CAB should have a presence at the "Cabinet in the Community" event. He would like acknowledgment from the Mayor about CAB's efforts in the community and he would also like to prepare a statement to read at the event. Michael Sapp, the Deputy Director of Community Affairs for Mayor Michael Hancock, says that he will speak to the mayor about acknowledging CAB but the event is unique in the fact that the mayor will speak for a few minutes and then, Cary Kennedy will speak to Stapleton's finances, there is no question and answer segment. From there, the community will have the opportunity to ask questions of specific city departments in the form of an open house, with tables set around the room. Michael Sapp offered a table at the forum for CAB to have a presence and the table was accepted. **A motion was made to have members of CAB represent the Board at "Cabinet in the Community". The motion was properly seconded. Motion approved.**

**Adjourned:**

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Citizens Advisory Board will be **November 20, 2014 at 7:30am.**

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