

**CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

August 20, 2015

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

7350 E. 29th Ave., Suite 200

**CAB Members Present:** Councilman Chris Herndon, David Netz, Diane Deeter, Angie Malpiede, Brandi Thomas, Nadine Caldwell, Lucia Correll, Damon Knop, Mike Nicks, Phil Flores, Greg Nelson **SDC:** Tammi Holloway, Ilana Corson **Others:** Tom Gleason, Carol Roberts, Greg Holt, Steve Larson, Leslie Joseph, Lieutenant Bob Wyckoff, Khadija Haynes

**Call to Order:** David Netz called the meeting to order. The July minutes were approved.

**Co-Chair Report:** David Netz would like to have an update on the traffic study that the City and County of Denver have said they will conduct. Mr. Netz would like a new Aurora city representative to replace John Fernandez, who will now be a features writer for the Front Porch newspaper.

***Partner Cities Updates:***

- **City of Aurora:**  
Nadine Caldwell reported that at the 8/18 meeting for the Aurora parcel, about 100+ people attended. There were a few comments made about lighting in the park and possibly bathrooms but the presentation was well-received. The 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. plan will go to Aurora's planning commission in October and City Council after that.
- **Denver:**  
Councilman Chris Herndon thanked those who attended Denver Days and especially the Bike Parade that he hosted. About 150 people participated in the Bike Parade. Councilman Herndon also encourages people to visit the new "Hub at Northfield".
- **Commerce City:** No updates.

***Committee Reports:***

- **Housing Diversity:** No updates.
- **Membership:** No updates.
- **Parks Advisory Group (PAG):** No updates.
- **Zoning & Planning:** Someone suggested naming the park "Nadine Caldwell Park" and the CAB agreed.
- **Stapleton Design Review:** Questar Fueling Company and King Soopers/Evergreen came for an update. The gas station has been switched to the northern parcel from the southern parcel.
- **Transportation:** Angie Malpiede reported that the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Northeast Walkfest will take place on 9/26 from 12-4pm. Be Well Youth is creating a scavenger hunt and there was a poster contest for kids. There were 2 posters chosen from each age group and posters will be printed by DRCOG in both English and Spanish. There will also be a Shoe Drive to collect shoes for kids and NETC will be

unveiling their partnership with the Urban Land Conservancy. Registration is available online. Ms. Malpiede also mentioned that they are partnering with RTD, Aurora and CCD to do bike shelters at Central Park, Peoria & Smith, and Iliff stations. These will hold up to 30 bikes and will be produced locally. Lastly, RTD will hold a public meeting about their new system at the “Hub in Northfield” on October 1.

### **Stapleton Partner Updates:**

- **DIA:** Greg Holt reported that they will begin remediation to High Line Canal Phase 2 in mid-September. This should be complete by the end of the year.
- **SDC:** Tammi Holloway reported that SDC is in the process of conveying a 118 acre parcel to the city, known as Sand Creek 3 & 4. It was also reported that about 10 years ago, the city and SDC made an agreement that at some point, the city would own and operate the land that now currently holds the Urban Farm, the US Weather Service and a Parks Maintenance facility. SDC has terminated all three leases and now the city is negotiating with the entities on new leases. It was also mentioned that on 8/9, a campaign begun in the area by the group “Black Lives Matter 5280” (BLM5280), to change the name Stapleton because of the history of the man whom it takes its name, Benjamin Stapleton. Ms. Holloway said that this issue came up in 2000 and CAB, with SDC, looked into the issue by doing research and having discussions. The SDC board adopted a resolution in February 2001 that said that all future names of schools, neighborhoods, parks, etc. should be named with input from CAB. It was decided that the name “Stapleton” could still be used as a geographical locator because of the former airport site. Ms. Holloway has spoken with the Front Porch and Colorado Public Radio and has reached out to BLM5280 leadership to set up a meeting to discuss the matter. It was mentioned that this is an opportunity to see if we held up our part of the deal back in 2001.
- **Rocky Mountain Arsenal:** No updates.
- **Forest City:** Tom Gleason reported that Forest City hopes to close with King Soopers in the next 30 days, with construction to begin in October and opening in summer 2016. Evergreen Development will be moving closely behind, if not, at the same time. Mr. Gleason also mentioned with the addition of St. Stephen’s Acacia Center, there are now 16 schools in the development.
- **District 5** – Lt. Bob Wyckoff reported that the “Hub in Northfield” that will also serve as their “Cop Shop”, had a great grand opening with local vendors and the Stapleton Foundation making donations to fund the party. There will be an officer at the “Cop Shop” every day of the week, with other police department activities to be held there as well. Tonight, there will be a roll call for District 5 at the new space for the community to attend. Lt. Wyckoff also mentioned that District 5 was leading all the districts in the city in crime prevention. It was also clarified that the “attempted kidnapping” that was rumored, was actually a purse snatching.
- **Stapleton Foundation:** Angie Malpiede reported that on October 6, there will be a reception at Sam Gary Library for the Green Book Photo Show.

- **MCA:** Diane Deeter reported that they are winding down summer. The Aviator pool will be open through the end of the summer. Dotsero will be doing a make-up performance this coming Thursday in conjunction with the MoBetaGreens market from 5-8pm on the North Green. Friday is Cinema in the Park with a documentary called “Bernie’s Journey” at dusk. On Saturday, Paul Cebar will perform and on Sunday, the kid’s triathlon will happen at 8am. Dog Daze will be 9/13 at F15. Stapleton Rocks will be 9/11-9/12 on the Green at 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Bluff Lake:** No updates.
  - **Public Art:** No updates.
  - **Sand Creek:** No updates.
  - **SUN:** The kickball tournament is coming up.
  - **Urban Farm:** No updates.
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- **Adjourned:**  
The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Citizens Advisory Board will be **September 17 at 7:30am.**

Prepared by I. Corson