

Highland Park Neighborhood Association Meeting Notes
Meeting Date: January 9th, 2018

7:00pm: President Glascock called the meeting to order.

November 2017 and December 2017 minutes corrected to reflect St. Vincent's Hospital Patrol #: 205-939-7799. With no other changes December 2017 minutes were approved.

Announcements: Welcome new residents/attendees

Police:

Officer King attended:

Incident Report (for all of Beat 323 which includes some areas not within Highland Park):

Dec. 2017: 2 BURGLARIES, 22 UBEVS, 5 Robberies, and 3 auto thefts.

Jan. 1-17, 2018: 1 Burglary, 4 UBEVS, 0 Robberies, 1 Auto theft.

Success/Follow Up Report:

3 perps caught and arrested for crimes last month (one was the person who robbed someone at shops next to 2600 Highland Bldg. and shot at ground)

Officer King checked on report of man living in white van at Caldwell Park. All was ok, and no laws were being broken.

Resident Reports:

28th St. from 10th to 11th additional parking sign with → needed closer to Highland Ct. (E. Sanfelippo to report it to traffic engineering again – no reply to first email)

Complaints re: abandoned shops by 2600 Highland. A. Glascock to contact the city.

General Safety Information:

If you see something, say something! Call South Precinct: 205-254-2793

ALWAYS report suspicious activities or items, etc. to the police. Non-emergency number is 205-328-9311.

Burglaries tend to happen during the day

Surveillance cameras are helpful for BPD, so share footage with them if you have/get it.

Continue to keep an eye out and call police if you see anything suspicious or are the victim of a crime.

If you see finger prints, notify the responding officer so prints can be taken.

Fire Department: did not attend

Public Works: Chris Pinke and Tammie Wheeler attended

Bag your leaves and put them out for Large Trash and Brush Pickup. Not bagging leaves results in clogged storm drains and flooding.

Replacement trees on Highland Ave. (along golf course) to be planted asap – stump grinder is again working

Request to purchase 6 crepe myrtles to be planted along Clairmont Ave. where someone cut down previous ones. approx. \$250/each for total of \$1500 to be paid with Discretionary Funds (if possible). C. Sosnin made a motion to approve. L. Contri seconded. All in favor, 0 opposed for Motion Granted

Contact **Tammie Wheeler** at tammie.wheeler@birminghamal.gov or 205-254-2061 re: inoperable cars and overgrown yards (and furniture and large trash dumped on street by apt. dwellers without dumpsters. She can contact apt. bldg. owners to let them know).

Request from DoDahDay to use Rhodes and Caldwell Parks and obtain a Special Liquor License for May 19, 2018

L. Contri made motion, C. Sosnin seconded with the stipulation that they make sure they have plenty of volunteers to clean up. All approved (12), 0 opposed.
Motion to approve Special Liquor License: K. Craft made motion, 2nd motion made. All approved (12). 0 opposed

St. Vincent's Hospital re: issues on 28th St.

Brenna Powell attended. She is working to have a more positive relationship with the neighborhood.
St.VH Security dispatch: 205-939-7797. Call them when you see illegal parking in the area and suspect it is hospital employees.

Update on Action Items:

Grates in surface lot on 28th being cleaned out so they drain properly
vacant house owned by hospital is being sold/on the market

Opening closest to McDonald's to be confirmed as not needed by first responders and closed - no update
St. Vincent's to provide letter to Neighborhood Association and city clarifying what the other two entrances on 28th are being used for during construction and what they will be used for after construction - no update

St. Vincent's to submit updated master plan (incl. required elements of traffic flow, means of egress, all existing buildings and heights) - once deck expansion is complete they will submit updated master plan
Request for traffic study along 28th from Clairmont/University to 11th Ave./Highland Ct. - it is being reviewed and will be sent to B. Lanier

St. Vincent's and city to provide comments on lack of buffer landscaping between surface lot on 28th and provide schedule and plan for replanting - no update from quotes being obtained at end of 2017

Greg Dawkins (City Traffic) looking into how parking zones/decals system works - no update

Report from City Councilor Valerie Abbott (valerie.abbott@birminghamal.gov)

When contacting her, please copy Darryl Lee, her assistant: (Darryl.lee@birminghamal.gov) and Marcus O'Dell (Marcus.Odell@birminghamal.gov) as Darryl will be on leave soon.

Working to keep City Council united

Pedal Buses received approval to serve wine/beer aboard

Progress being made on Rapid Transit Buses

Proposed new stadium and plans for Legion Field being discussed at City Hall

City Council and Mayor Woodfin have requested meeting with legislators to find out what they have planned

Request for dog poop scoop sign on 28th St. - ES to email Marcus and Greg Dawkins to see if this can be installed on an existing post.

Old Business:

Rushton Park Community Garden – no update. Email highlandparkgardens@gmail.com or Vwmcdonald90@gmail.com to request a spot or ask questions.

New Business:

Legislative Session has begun and HB10 to fund transportation is being discussed.

Adjournment: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50pm.

Next meeting will take place at Highland Golf Course (**UPSTAIRS** at the clubhouse) on Tuesday, February 13th, 2017 at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Sanfelippo
Secretary, Highland Park Neighborhood Association