

Facilitator John Sexton

Attendees: TNT Southside Facilitators & Board Representatives: Twiggy Billue, Julius Lawrence, Regina McArthur. Councilmembers Khalid Bey & Sue Boyle. Robert Steingraber, Elizabeth Morey, J.W. Morey, Peter King, Jaime Howley, Palmer Harvey, Dorris Harvey, Latoya Allen, Andrew Maxwell, Betty L. Pearson, Louella Williams, Gene Fords, Hatisha Holmes, Mary Traynor, Chol Major, Patti Maxwell, Lou Carol Franklin, Owen Kerney, Heather Lamendola, Caroline West, J. Wood, Dorris Harvey, Palmer Harvey, Arlene Brodock, Al Freeman, Walter Eiland, Chas Pierce-El, Captain L. Delfavero, Jake Thorsen, Logan Reidsure, Patrona Jones-Rowser, Jerome Anthen, Sue Wood.

Review of the December 5th 2016 Minutes: 6:05 pm Robert Steingraber motioned to accept the minutes, Betty Moery 2nd, All were in favor

Issues for City Department Officials

- 1) A resident noted tires being dumped on Leon by Dr. King, 7-8am last week. More tires are there. Captain Delfavero will check.
- 2) Kirk and Landon car thefts. Keep Valuables out of sight and make sure doors are locked.
- 3) Warner Ave kids/preteens going into cars. Might have been in November, police never came. Capt. Delfavero stated the calls need to be responded to, response may have been at 2am. You can file a report online.
- 4) Leaf pickup happened December 6th (the next day after report last months meeting)
- 5) Shooting on Elmwood Ave. Captain Delfavero will check and update the group
- 6) Captain Delfavero informed the group of 3 area robberies, group of 14-19 year olds. Girls and boys have been apprehended
- 7) Kids are squatting in Landbank homes
- 8) Ballyntine Gardens homicide suspect not captured. Drug deal gone bad. suspect from Palermo brought drugs, came to Southside to sell them.
- 9) Captain Delfavero gave info on how to file complaints online

6:21pm ReZone Syracuse Presentation:

Owen Kerney & Heather Lamendola
All documents are downloadable. Hard copies are available upon request. 3 Chapters

- 1) Module 1 completed: New District & Uses
- 2) Module 2: Development Standards (March)
- 3) Module 3: Administration & Procedure Late Spring/Summer
Once approved by Council it will become local law by late summer 2017.

Residents inquired about residential districts, review of the map before/prior to vote. Hard copies needed as without them it would disenfranchise half of the people in Southside.

Q. How will owners who own multiple parcels be affected?

A. Councilor Bey further explained the expanded Planned Districts. Rezoning is best bang for buck

Q. Will owners know of these new zoning districts?

A. Not unless they ask

Q. House demolished, vacant lots then deemed unbuildable due to size

A. Not necessarily true, If its 40,000 sq ft I can be built but must meet yard and density requirements

There will be a section of the new ordinance (section C) that will explain this

Q. Will historical houses be protected

A. Yes

Q. Will this ordinance protect us from having a 3rd family dollar with its back to us?

A. The new ordinance will speak to design standards. It was the lack of design standards that allowed that to happen. Design standards will be local law for our community; it will not be a request. Councilor Bey stated that the New Dollar Store has doors on the street facing South Salina (not open yet).

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Website: <http://www.syrgov.net/ReZoneSyracuse.aspx>

In mid-February, Heather and Owen will host several public meetings to zero in on the map. It will be open house style, more detail to come. A Facilitator stated that a few Rezone notices were sent out of the TNT office. It is important to check your email and visit the City website for more information.

Q. What do you mean by Public Forum?

A. TNT's are public forums. They are a way to take questions or concerns before the ordinance is adopted.

Q. Will this continue to be easy for businesses to move anywhere in city?

A. This zoning ordinance will tighten the screws, focus development and protect the neighborhoods

Q. What if there is an issue with the new ordinance?

A. A resident or neighborhood can petition the new ordinance if Rezone missed something

A resident stated his appreciation to Owen, Heather and the Council for coming to the community prior to the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance. Councilor Bey stated that the Government needs as many community ambassadors as possible, this TNT meeting is ideal to help the city get the word out. (especially to those who do not have the internet)

Task Force Updates

Beautification Task Force: Patrona Jones-Rowser

- The Rhama Community Garden will be partnering with McKinley Brighton to work with the kids in the garden for educational purposes. They are developing a proposal for Special Projects

Neighborhood Management/Housing Task Force: Jaime Howley

- Next Thursday, January 17th at SSIC there will be a workshop on 'How to report Code Violations'.

Stephanie Pasqual from NBD and a representative from the codes department will be there.

- The task force is developing a pamphlet of resources

- The task force is developing a proposal to have the same historical markers as the rest of the city

Economic Development Task Force:

- Regina McArthur is the Chair and looking for volunteers. Contact Regina for more info

Youth & Education Task Force:

- Sue Wood is seeking a person to help Co-Chair this Task Force. A few individuals stated they would like to join, Twiggy offered to Co-Chair until a new Co-Chair volunteers for the position.

Crime & Safety: Doug

- Newell, Lafayette and Corning will have a Neighborhood Watch meeting in about a month or so

Special Projects

- There was one proposal submitted by John Sexton for 2 pairs of bike racks for \$700; 1 pair at Kirk Park and another for Onondaga Park. A reminder was given to the group to submit their proposals by January 31st. At the February 6th meeting the proposals will be presented and voted upon by the group.

City-Wide Update

Regina McArthur informed the group about the Strategic Planning Proposal. It was stated that TNT would like to be inclusive and involve as many members as possible. A sign-up sheet was available for individuals to join the process. Andrew Maxwell was present and stated that he would serve as a neutral facilitator to the process. Twiggy requested that he clarify what it means to be a neutral facilitator. Caroline West stated she would have the word 'neutral' taken off the document. The timeline is TBD, sign up for notices.

Caroline West, *TNT Board Chair*, stated that there will be a facilitator Training session on January 30th at the Gifford Foundation. Time is TBD.

Voting Item: Facilitator Removal

Facilitator removal was due to non-attendance and no contact for over 3 months. Robert Steingraber made the motion to remove Dr. L Micah Dexter as facilitator. Jaime Howley 2nd. There were 5 abstentions, 3 said no and the remaining majority of the group was in favor. Motion Carried.

A suggestion was made to add an attendance requirement to the bylaws for Facilitators.

Announcements

- 1) Jubilee Homes is hosting a Job Fair on January 27th from 9:30am to 1:30pm at 401 South Ave
- 2) The Landbank is hosting a Buyers Workshop on January 24th at 6pm at the Philanthropy Center. The workshop will educate individuals on 'How to buy a Landbank property'
- 3) State of the City address is on Thursday, January 12th at Marriott Downtown Syracuse (the Historic Hotel Syracuse) located at 100 East Onondaga Street 5:30pm