

1/8/20

**Maine Medical Center Neighborhood Advisory MMC NAC Notes**

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13 Jennifer L. McCarthy	JMcCarthy@mmc.org	MH Chief Operating Officer	no

Guests: Matt Wickenhauser

Unanimous vote to elect Ed Suslovic as the new co-chair. He presented a gift to Moses, the outgoing chair.

Ed asks Matt for written summary of Medical Respite Care Project.

Liz will continue as Secretary, Matt will continue posting as soon as meeting is complete so that people can find them online.

Approved previous minutes.

**Grants:**

Liz shares that subcommittee (Lin, Alvah, Liz, Tim, (Brett was missing) met Tuesday; An application regarding Andrews Square was reviewed; discussion whether we should fund that before waiting for the deadline for all other applications. We also discussed how to make sure that any applications come in are officially approved by a neighborhood association.

The process is that the subcommittee proposes a slate and the larger NAC votes up or down.

Every neighborhood can do it as they wish, but the final submissions (up to 4 per neighborhood) need to arrive to the central email address by the deadline. The Anne asks that the form say "to be approved by neighborhood association"

Propose that the subcommittee will meet in the next two weeks, and any that have been submitted before that meeting will be considered as a slate at the February meeting.

Spencer recommends that we stick with March 1 deadline, he'll confirm that Andrews Square will be ok.

Committee agrees to stick with the plan of having all applications being reviewed after the March 1 deadline.

How to handle questions about individual applications? Subcommittee will read applications and discuss as they come in, Ed suggests that questions come from or are cc'd from full subcommittee. If project is contingent on other funding.

We will keep March 1 deadline, and the full group to decide no later than our April 8 meeting, and for checks to go out no later than 30 days after that.

Spencer will make sure there is a MOU with performance guarantee to be signed by MMC and grantees.

Liz suggest that MMC send a press release about grant availability. Group disagrees, thinks it's up to the neighborhood groups themselves to do outreach.

### **Parking Garage:**

Matt Wickenhauser Re: lights being too bright. Lights will be moved to behind beams starting next week. For the sides, they will start testing window films in February. Roof deck is not occupied, so lights are off, they are ordering shields that can be installed by mid February. Traffic lights will be flashing red or yellow until DOT says otherwise - first they need to count the number of cars and when there's enough traffic then traffic lights will be turned on.

Tim: site plan called for 18' high poles on deck, they look taller than that; maybe they're on top of 3' tall pilings?; Nell asked site inspector to check on that.

Maine Med Cube trucks are using the turning lane to park while offloading vendors.

Shuttle Route are taking a different route than expected because the turning lane isn't available.

### **Workplan 2020**

- Transportation Demand Management Plan Update 2x/year (one slide, 5 min)
- Financial contributions of MMC/MH to community.
- Florence house litter and bad behavior: Spencer will set up meeting with City Manager and Preble Street to come meet with a few of us on a Thursday morning with Moses, Tim, Liz and Brett. Nell will get more information on enforcement actions.
- Holt Hall Storefronts returned to neighborhood; Dennis noted; can Dennis give us more of a timeline and process by which this can happen?
- Parking: How to make parking available overnight for residents?
- Neighborhood survey - both online and door to door. What do people like, what are they afraid of, what would they like to see?
- Caring Community Grants (Time in March & April)
- Healthy Neighborhood Partnership - Nell has report

- Maine Health Anchor Institutions (Nell says there are people working on this in primary care and other clinical capacities) - ask Jennifer to pull people together (including Beth Wilson) to give us a report on that.
- Redevelopment of MMC properties
- Construction impacts of removal of employee garage.
- Ed wants to sit down with each neighborhood and mmc to hear what each group hopes for from the group and process.

Goal is to have a plan that we follow starting in March.