

DANA Meeting Minutes

January 21st^h, 2019

Attendees: 43 members present and meeting was live on Facebook.

Meeting called to order at 7:00, followed by introductions. Tom briefed on an upcoming community candidate forum taking place for ward 1 candidates. There is a need for a moderator, if anyone is interested please let Tom know. There will also be a candidate podcast. A link to the podcast can be found on the DANA podcast.

Approval of Minutes: Keith Alex motioned & Erin 2nd

Treasurer Report: \$1161.47 current balance.

Executive Committee Update: Donna introduced AMERICAN LEGION POST 79 that thanked DANA members for donations received from DANA Christmas Party. Also donations raised from their 99th birthday celebration will be applied to homeless veterans released from the hospital.

Chair passed out "The Art of Being a Good Neighbor" flier that covered various topics on how to be a good neighbor. Chair also introduced Mike Gardner to brief on projects that help families maintain their yard and living quality of life at home. One project has already taken place with help of March Air Force Base and Habitat For Humanity. Two more projects are in line. Volunteer invites will be sent out to DANA members.

Chani presented on "A proposal for Safer Parks". There is a need for greater visibility of law officers as well as code enforcement of existing municipal codes in our downtown area parks that for too long have been viewed by many residents as unsafe or uncomfortable public spaces.

Chair mentioned "Walk and Talk" at Fairmount Park being hosted on the upcoming Saturday, Jan 26th, and encouraged attendees to join the walk to voice their concerns.

Community Partnerships: Rico Alderette, owner of MADE spoke on community events, Magnolia Center Market Place. Rico also gave a brief history of how MADE started with only a handful of local artist and now succeeds of over 130 artistes. MADE has partnered up with several local non-profits, like Meals On Wheels, to benefit their causes.

Guest Speaker: Erin Edwards presented on what should go in the lot on the corner of 3rd and Market Street. Erin presented some ideas and took a vote from attendees. The topic will can be found on DANA website.

Crime and Safety: Lt. Townsend brief on problem areas near Mission Inn Street and Brockton Avenue. Took some Q&A's from attendees regarding the area. Also briefed on the lack on proper private property signage.

Councilman Gardner Update:

Councilman Gardner handout an "Alternative Transportation Update" letter and briefed on the scooter and motor bikes readily available in Riverside. Mike handed out "Point in Time" fliers, for the homeless count taking place on Jan 29th.

Guest Speaker: Andrew Villalodos, Old Riverside Foundation gave an overview of the importance of historic landmarks from around the world and how the same importance's reflect on Riverside landmarks, and the need to preserve the Foundation of Riverside.

Raffle: Door prize MADE item

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm