

Minutes

Neighborhood Council District 4

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Heritage Baptist Church – 900 52nd Street North

630 p.m.

Council members present: Sandra Guynn, Gregg Matsko, Nicole Porter, and Stephen Louks

Other present: Kenny Jorgensen and Austin Schultz Traffic Division, Lanni Klasner City Staff, members of the public listed on sign-in sheet.

Chair Sandra opened the meeting at 630p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

Kenny and Austin with GF Traffic Division discussed traffic data collected for three areas of interest in NC 4. Speed data relative to the 85th percentile was given for the three areas. The three areas are as follows: 7th Ave N. by the school – 30mph, 38th St between 7-8 Ave N – 31mph, 38th St between Northstar Blvd and 10 Ave N. – 36mph. It was noted that general data shows most drivers drive 5mph above the posted limit. Kenny stated that traffic enforcement rather than signage has the greatest impact on speeding.

Kenny described the duties of the Traffic and Street Division. These department duties relate to speed and traffic studies, tree visibility, signage, traffic signals, street striping, milling and overlaying (average of 60 city blocks per year), chip and seal program (average 100 city blocks per year), street sweeping in spring, visual inspection and rating of street conditions, grading of alleyways (80 miles twice per year), sanding requests. For traffic or street maintenance, the department can be reached by calling 406-771-1401.

Volume of vehicles at 38th St and Northstar Blvd was given to be 5461 cars per day. This is a decrease of 1000 per day from last years data.

The city website posts a data matrix relating to city street volume.

Traffic concerns for citizens congestion of vehicles at 38th St and Central Ave. would require a traffic study over a large area for two to three years.

Further citizen concerns:

46th St and Carrol Dr used as a thru-way between 2nd and 10th Ave. S

46th St and 3rd Ave S

Park cars near Ace hardware at 36th St and 9 Ave. S

Petitions and Comments:

None

Other Business:

NeighborWorks will be providing supplies for a park clean-up Sept. 11-12. Steve Louks will head a committee for NC4 to engage in the park clean-up.

NC4 has determined that a council facebook page at this time is not possible.

Committee Reports:

None

Old Business:

Minutes of previous meeting approved. Motion by Sandra, second by Nicole, all approve.

Diane Marten's concern about her memorial tree has been resolved. Forde's nursery donated a tree to replace hers and other's dead memorial trees.

Neighborhood Council:

Greg requested that the Council of Council's ask the police department to begin giving updates in person at neighborhood councils. Sandra said it would be mentioned.

Rick Lopes brought a concern relating to the barber shop next to Bobo's casino. He felt the business and other businesses could be targeted for false claims of Covid-19. He requested NC4 to ask Trisha with CCHD to come and speak at the next meeting to address concerns of the residents. Sandra prompted that Rick should call CCHD with concerns relating to how they address claims of Covid-19 made against businesses.

Adjourn:

Next meeting to be held August 27, 2020.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Minutes submitted by Stephen Louks, NC 4 secretary