Minutes

Neighborhood Council District 4
Thursday, October 22, 2020
Heritage Baptist Church – 900 52nd Street North
630 p.m.

Council members present: Sandra Guynn, Gregg Matsko, Richard Ashley, and Stephen Louks

Other present: Steve Herrig COGF Park and Rec, and Sherrie Arey NeighborWorks

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

New Business:

Aquatics Center - Steve Herrig discussed aspects of the aquatics center to be built within NC 4. Steve explained that the city applied for a grant which was opened last May to enhance to quality of life of military members. The city submitted the application August 23. The proposal was accepted and the city manager signed the agreement September 23. Ten bids were given to the city to complete the aquatics center. The top three were interviewed, and the city choose LPW and TP&H. There will be a two-month design phase. The location chosen will need to be annexed from the county. Road upgrades are needed for the lot as well. Ground breaking of the facility will commence by September 2021. Completion is expected by Fall of 2023. The aquatics center will have lap swimming with 3 pools. The operating cost of the facility will be covered by the fees of membership. Steve stressed that taxes are not going up. Costs will be covered by grant money and COGF Park and Rec budget. The facility will be 55000sqft. Concerns mentioned, related to soil conditions and costs to build a structure that will last; also, would a new bus stop help with access for all GF citizens. The natatorium will be converted to a park. Steve said this facility is not competing against local businesses due to its location.

NeighborWorks – Sherrie Arey gave a presentation on the history of NW and an update on the current actions of the organization. She described some of the benefits the organization provides including: owner built homes, education for home buyers, neighborhood cleanup, coins for a cause, downtown murals, down payment assistance, and high school house.

Petitions and Comments:

None

Other Business:

Chair Sandra gave an update of NC 4 to the City Council during the Oct 20th work session.

A motion was made by Steve Louks to cancel NC 4 November and December meetings barring an emergency meeting. Motion was approved by all.

Motion was made and approved by all to appoint Sue Ashley to fill the empty position on NC 4.

Committee Reports:

None

Old Business:

September minutes were approved.

Neighborhood Council:

Council of council meeting would be held October 27 at 7pm. The agenda includes an update from the police department and a discussion on nuisance properties.

Adjourn:

Next meeting to be held January 28, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm

Minutes submitted by Stephen Louks, NC 4 secretary