Neighborhood Council #7 Monday, **March 13, 2023**, 7:00 p.m. Gibson Room, Civic Center

MINUTES

The meeting was brought to order at 7:01 by Chair Lisa Meyers, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Council Members Linda Daggett, Troy Lane, Lisa Meyers, Trevor Mikkelsen, and Sandy Rice; City Liaison Lanni Klasner, and presenters Brad Eatherly, Ramona Ramadas, and Laramie SmSmovir.

The February Minutes were approved as submitted.

Roll call of the Council was completed: all members present and a quorum established.

OLD BUSINESS

Downtown Development Partnership: No report

Brownfield Committee: No report

Downtown Safety Alliance: Sandy reported that she will be attending a Neighborhood Council meeting for each Council this spring to report on the Downtown Safety Alliance and update the Library Mill Levy. She cannot advocate for the Mill

Levy as a Council #7 member, but can advocate as a private citizen.

Council of Councils: Did not meet

Strategic Planning and Outreach: No report

Crime Mapping Report: Lisa reported monthly statistics.

NEW BUSINESS

A Conditional Use Permit for the property at 727 4th Avenue North was presented by Brad Eatherly, City Planning Office, and Ramona Ramadas, property owner. The Carriage House on the property will be converted into temporary housing for visiting nurses, helping with the current shortage of available housing. Sandy moved to support the CUP, Troy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Laramie Smovir, Volunteer Coordinator for the Great Falls Animal Shelter, presented information about the Animal Shelter as well as the other Shelter options available in Great Falls. She distributed informational brochures. She mentioned that the Shelter has a food pantry for those who are unable to provide food for their pets. The Shelter is all right now, but expects to be bursting as the spring mating season begins.

Other Business: None

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS Neighborhood Concerns: There was a short discussion about dog waste in neighbor yards. There have been some homeless gatherings near Carter Park on the South Side.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL: Sandy asked if the City could give us information on the boarded up houses within NC 7 boundaries.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 10, 2023

Agenda suggestions: Current Information on Boarded up houses – Lanni will find out who to invite

Whittier School Presentations – Sandy will contact Char for a spring invitation

Presentation from the Library Ballot Levy Committee - Sandy will follow up with the committee

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. on unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted, Sandra Rice, Secretary