

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5
Monday, February 16, 2015 – 7:00 pm
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Ave So

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to at 7:00 pm by Chairman Eric Ray with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Mac McFadden, Terry Albrecht, Eric Ray, Gloria Bedker and Marcia Anderson. There were 13 neighbors present including Peter Gray, Benefis Healthcare.

NEW BUSINESS:

Peter Gray, Benefis Healthcare, Director of Senior Care, gave an update on Grandview and Cascade Ridge. There will be remodeling on all three campuses, mostly interior remodeling. Cascade Ridge Phase 2. There is a waiting list of over 100 people. Sixteen units are planned for the north east side of the current building. Hopefully to start late March or early April with completion around Feb 2016. Grandview is considering expansion – possibly independent living or retirement community that is affordable. Nothing will happen before 2016. The hole that is currently east of the complex will be filled or covered by the expansion. A green area as a buffer was asked about and the drainage between two houses into Mountain View were also concerns. With the new grounds crew, mowing of the weeds should take place on a regular basis. We would like to meet regularly with Benefis on a regular basis. Concerns are parking and pedestrians. Signage will be improved in the near future.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There will be no action taken on the Stop sign at the corner of 33rd St and 15th Ave So since there have been no accidents in 20 years and the sign is the most up to date. A petition will probably not make any difference. The intersection of 10th Ave So and 32nd will be improved with traffic signal change. Probably a 2016 start of construction. The East End Development work session will be broadcast on Channel 190 (Charter) from 5:30 to 6:30 during the regular work session on Tuesday. Information will be available on the city web site. The developers will meet with the Planning Board, Feb 24 at 3:00 pm and the City Commission on March 17th. Ground breaking may be late August or early September. Sand Hills Park is a concern of the neighbors. The trees are dying. A walking path and landscaping was done at a cost of \$330,000 and it needs to be taken care of. When we meet with Joe Petrella about Russell Park, we will show him Sand Hills Park. Eric asked for a motion to write a letter to High Plains Development about the concerns in the construction of the expansion of Cascade Ridge. The motion was made by Mac and second by Marcia

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes: The minutes were read and approved on a motion by Gloria and second by Terry. Reports: Gloria reported that we will get another Little Free Library at Russell Park by the playground. Gloria will contact Kathy Mora. The Police Advisory Board did not meet.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Patty Cadwell gave out forms for election to Neighborhood Council #5. They are due by July 2 if we plan to run for another term.

NEXT MEETING – Next meeting is March 16th with Joe Patrella from Park and Rec as our speaker.

ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Gloria and second by Mac

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Anderson, Secretary