NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #6 MEETING November 6, 2013, Sunnyside School Library

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Robin Baker, Bonnie Haman, Julie Parker, and Cherry Loney

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Carl Donovan

There were also approximately 20 neighborhood residents in attendance, the majority of who live in the U/L River Road area.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business: Minutes of the October 2, 2013, meeting were approved as written.

Committee Reports:

Police Advisory Board – Robin reports there is an article in today's newspaper about relocation of the Call Center., which has officially moved to new quarters.

Council of Councils - No report.

Upper/Lower River Road Drainage Problem: Sean Arthur, HKM Engineering, along with Jim Reardon, Dave Dobbs, and Jim Young, City of Great Falls, provided an update on their work to mitigate the U/L River Road drainage problem. Sean gave a brief overview of the master plan, which is an assessment of what's needed for full build out including piping and additional detention pond sites. He noted work is already in progress to enlarge the detention pond south of the multisports complex. The volume of water won't change but it will come down slower and will eventually connect with conveyance piping to the river. They are in the process getting easements for the underground conveyance piping. They have secured one easement, are close on another, and working on the remaining five. The overall project is budgeted in phases and is financed through storm drain utility assessments already paid by property owners. Jim Reardon will update property owners when all easements are in place. Another informational meeting to update residents is planned in the spring.

New Apartment Complex in Council #5 Area: Robin and Julie reported on their attendance at the last meeting of Neighborhood Council #5 as we share common concerns about the potential impact of increased traffic with construction of a 200+ apartment complex behind Centene. Because of problems created in a prior project in the Neighborhood Council #5 area, the City now has an official plan for dust control associated with construction. Potential traffic issues are under consideration by Transportation Planning and most should be addressed by plans to improve traffic flow in the general area.

New Business: None

Neighborhood Concerns:

Emma White, 1624 19th St. So., noted the intersection at 15th Ave. So. and 23rd Street floods. City personnel responded that a contract has been awarded to put in a pipe and resolve the situation.

C. Johnson, 2212 3AStreet. So, noted Benefis West and the Peak area drain to 16th Ave. So. between 2nd and 4th Street causing the intersection to flood. City personnel indicated they are aware of the problem.

The next meeting will be December 4. There will not be a January meeting since our scheduled meeting day falls on New Years Day.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherry Loney, Secretary