

Round of Introductions.

- ECCNPT members

6 PM Citizen Communications: 15 minutes maximum, first come, first served.

- Norma Maldonado from The Austin Project introduced her group.
 - o They are a full service community school based out of Martin MS.
 - o They would like a seat at the ECCNPT table and contribute.
 - o Lori explained that they can get involved as a civic rep or work with Ricardo on the education committee. Norma will decide and let us know.
 - o Norma also mentioned that every 3rd Thursday the Martin Community Alliance has a lunch meeting that the community is invited to.
- A citizen announced that the long-time director of El Buen Pastor is retiring this year and he would like to help the neighborhood recognize her when she retires. He will keep us up to date on the planning.

Committee Reports and Possible Action Items:

Treasurer's report:

- Some account activity, no report.

Crime and Safety:

- Lori reported from the APD commander's forum that bike thefts are up. She distributed fliers with bike registration info. The brochure should be filled out and saved, as it can be used to claim a recovered bike.
- ECCNPT area has been targeted for hot spot enforcement – 5 days a week, 7 officers and a lieutenant will patrol the area. They will sweep crime "hot spots" at night.
- Lori is organizing a separate meeting to plan and gauge interest in street cameras. Camera installation must be progressive, moving away from downtown. Outlying cameras cannot be installed before closer in cameras.

Local Historic District:

- Amy met with the director for Habitat for Humanity Austin to discuss helping neighbors maintain their homes and salvage materials from local demolitions. HFH is already targeting ECCN for home repair help. HFH is excited to partner up.
- Ken offered to help with Architecture for Humanity.
- Al made a motion to allow Amy to use the funds collected from the Homes Tour to purchase commemorative tiles to present to the homeowners on the tour and past tours. Christina seconded, unanimous vote.

Land Use & Design Committee:

- Jeff met with CTC group headquartered in former Big Red Sun building.
 - o He reported that they want to use the gardens for events to help pay rent and they may want to increase the frequency of the events.
 - o They may want a conditional use change to assembly. Jeff told them it was not likely due to objections over parking, late hours, and outdoor music from the neighbors.
 - o The previous tenant, Big Red Sun, tried to have a coffee shop and could not get the appropriate zoning/permits.
- Kathy reported that a party at the Wolfe Mansion, 1602 Cesar Chavez, caused her to receive bad customer feedback. She questioned their ability to get an outdoor music permit.
- Kathy provided an update on the short term rental legislation. City Council is preparing to take action. 78702 has the 3rd highest number of STRs in the City, ½ are owner-occupied. She will resend the letter stating our position to Council.

Affordable Housing Committee:

- o Table action on Holly funds until June meeting.

Traffic and Transportation Committee:

- Al attended the CONNECT meeting – it was 1.5 hrs long with no conclusion.
- Lori reported that tomorrow (5/17) is the last day to offer feedback on IH35 work.

Education Committee:**Economic Development Committee:**

- Rick reported that the last mixer at Cenote was successful.
- The EDC is planning a roundtable for small business owners to discuss contractors, zoning, financing, etc. They are looking for a venue.

Tejano Walking Trail Committee:**Communication Committee:**

- Jeff reported that there will only be 7-8 booths at Viva Streets, so we will not pursue one.

Parks and Environment Committee:**Fundraising Committee:**

- Chris reported that putting a Paypal button on the website would cost 2.9% + .30 per transaction.
- Kathy will revise banner to read "ECCNA".
- Susan will revise ECCNA bylaws to cover how funds are expended and include an expense report form.

Action Items:

1. Discuss and take action on priority ranking of our area's Top 5 items among the official action steps that qualify for the upcoming Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The deadline to submit our ranking is May 29th.
 - a. After discussion, everyone in attendance was given five dots to place on the bond items list with one dot having a star on it to be placed on the item that was most important to each person. Because time was running out and we would lose a quorum, a motion was made to have Lori review the ranked items, identify any high ranked items that have been completed and remove them from the list, then send the highest ranked items to the City. Al made the motion, Chris seconded, unanimous support.

Adjourn.