



Overland Park Neighborhood Association (OPNA) – January 28, 2020

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Co-President Mara via Zoom conferencing where 20+ neighbors and friends were in attendance.

A link to our **COVID19 resources page** is found [here](#) on our OPNA website.

Minutes from October 2020 meeting

Minutes from the October meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Report

Reminder: Annual dues apply to the full calendar year.

\$10 per household, \$25 business.

Paid members are voting members

Beginning Balance		\$ 4,814.85
Membership Deposit /donations		
Paid Outstanding		
Ending Balance Per Bank		\$ 4,814.85

	OPNA Funds	\$ 3,003.46
	ART Funds	\$ 1,811.39

Annual dues are due now. They are good for the calendar year. Here are ways to pay for the dues:

Venmo

Overland Park RNO @opnadenver or using this link

https://venmo.com/code?user_id=3183003056472064841

Mail

Make check payable to OPNA and send to:

OPNA

Att: Andrew Gehauf

2255 S Acoma St

Denver, CO 80223

Jack has been maintaining our current OPNA website and is asking to have this moved to the board members. Andrew to follow up with this and have OPNA assume the responsibilities for the website.

Police Report

CRO Kate Young

720-913-1248

kate.young@denvergov.org

District 3

1625 S. University Blvd.

Non-emergency dispatch # 720-913-2000

BROADWAY COP SHOP

487 S Broadway

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Update

CRO Kate Young: kate.young@denvergov.org

CRO AJ Pacheco: Antonio.Pacheco@denvergov.org

Lieutenant Michelle Fuller: Michelle.Folmar@denvergov.org

Office Antonio provided the following stats for the past month

- theft from motor vehicles – 16 including ski equipment, wallets and money...
- theft of motor vehicles – 10 – due to cars loaned and not returned, keys left in car (Steering wheel locks available soon)
- thefts – 2 bikes with cable locks. U-locks are better.
- Burglary - 1 – gas station.

Just a note from what he is seeing in other neighborhoods where cars get broken into just to take the garage door opener. If parked outside of garage, make sure to take opener out of car.

Next Captain meeting – Tuesday 6pm - guest speaker Chris Richardson MHCD star program on mental health.

Andrew Davis, Evans Station Century Link –

The current location is single story building on 2 acres where the lease is up in July 2021. Currently Century Link is negotiating but they are looking at another location. Andrew is working with city to submit re-zone of property from industrial to CMX-8 where they are planning for a 7 story multi family building where 10% of the units (30) planned as income restricted units. Also includes 220 parking spots. Their goal is to be a long term owner in our neighborhood where they have gotten support from Ticos on the north side and Declaration Brewery. They are looking for a letter of support from OPNA where many questions and comments were raised including the following

- What is the current timeline? there have been delays due to Covid but planning to meet in February with the zoning board and city council in March.
- Will there be a parking garage? yes
- When is the demolition of the building planned? possibly next year
- Does this fit in with the current Evans station plan for higher density which allows for more affordable housing? Yes, also with higher density comes more business and resources to the area.
- There is concern about other multi-unit buildings already in the area with parking and traffic flow.
- Concern about walkability in the area and pet friendly? Yes, pets allowed and they are planning for wider sidewalks and open space on Bannock around the

development.

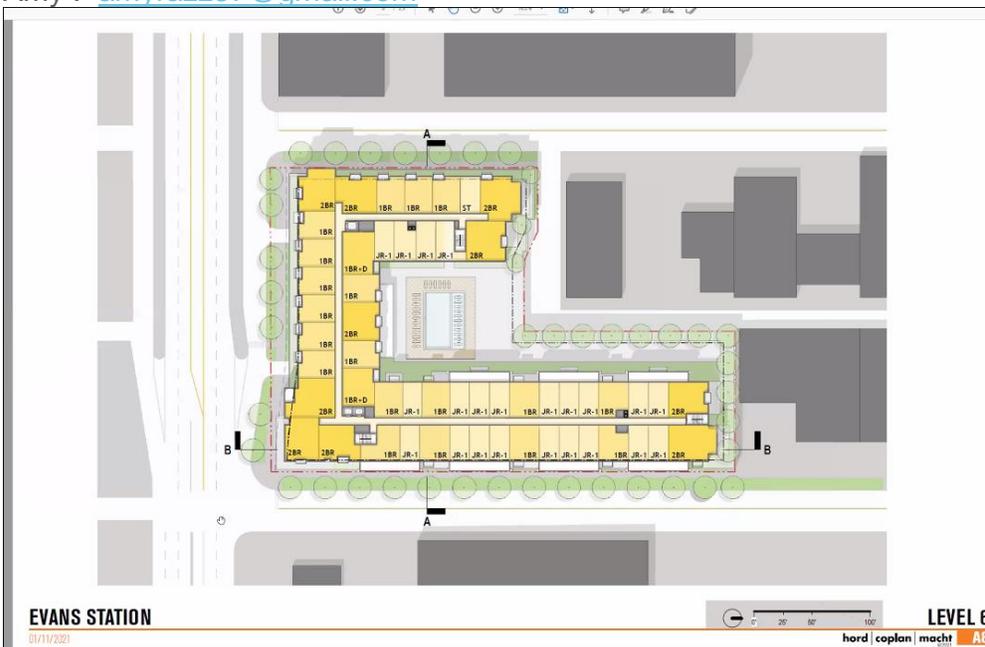
- Question of parking ratio where the city has set this at .75 per unit for new multi unit buildings.
- Is there any retail/commercial planned for this project? Only apartments?
- Is developer open to Good Neighbor Agreement and/or somehow giving back to community thru any type of community garden or scholarship program?
- What is the environmental quality of the project? Green roof initiative?

Based on the number of questions and restricted time during the meeting, Mara proposed to continue to gather all the questions between now and the next meeting where Andrew has been invited back for further discussion of the project.

Please take some time to consider and submit your questions/concerns to

Mara : mkowen18@gmail.com

Amy : amyrazz37@gmail.com



EMW Property redevelopment - Trammell Crow Residential

Trammell Crow Residential, active in Denver for 30 years, has purchased EMW Carpets & Furniture on the corner of Broadway and Evans where the current zoning is CMX-5. They are planning a 5 story 367 unit project with 393 parking stalls including 7,500 sqft retail, 2,000 sqft adjacent co-working amenity with two courtyards and a sky lounge on the top floor. They are dedicated to expanding the sidewalks around the project. It will include some single family townhome type

units, where all units will be managed by property management company. Dog friendly and fitness facility and pool.

Here are some of the questions and comments made:

- Always interested in environmental sustainability, as is the City.
- Will there be any parking allowed along Broadway; especially for visitors or that retail space?
- Not seeing anything near corner of Evans & Broadway for the main bus stop? Bus stop will be moved during construction and brought back after.
- 270 new residence on one side almost 400 on other plus how many in other north side....looks like almost 1000 new residence in a 3 block area
- For both projects, have you engaged the City around signaling intersections to manage denser traffic?
- In addition to the last question, there's no access to Acoma Street westbound on Evans, which will drive more traffic onto Bannock, Warren, and Iliff. Are you talking with the city about ways to mitigate this impact, like more four-way stops at the nearby intersections?
- it really seems like our whole neighborhood is becoming mostly apartment buildings
- feels like I'm being sold an apartment.....sounds great for the folks who will live there....but to me it sounds like we're over crowding the neighborhood.
- its sad that the single family home is being obsolete. I'm worried about the future impact on my own home if this continues as do my other neighbors.
- Currently, how long do we anticipate Acoma to be blocked for use (1 year)? It's been cumbersome trying to get into the neighborhood; especially since Bannock is sometimes closed for other construction. Do we anticipate Warren being closed, too?
- Is all retail parking in the garage?

Please submit any other questions/comments to Mara and/or Amy which will be discussed further in the February meeting.



Denver's Office of Climate Action, Sustainability, and Resiliency - Jonathan Rogers

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For the past year, Jonathan has been working on a multi-agency initiative that is designed to put the “community” back into community solar. The program is structured to advance Denver’s climate and community objectives, all at no up-front cost and a net savings to taxpayers. It has the potential to achieve multiple benefits including:

1. Rapid decarbonization of the electric system via up to 15 MW of solar projects (avoiding more than 15,000 metric tons of CO₂ annually).
2. Distribution across approximately 30 geographically and socio-economically diverse sites throughout Denver.
3. Power sharing between city facilities, low-income housing, and local residents.
4. New workforce training and student education programs.
5. Income-qualified energy support services and cash assistance on utility bills.

Through an extensive solar technical analysis, they identified the Overland Golf parking [lot \(1801 S Huron St\)](#) as a strong candidate in City Council District 7 for a

community-based solar carport (i.e., covered parking with solar panels and EV charging).

You can find out more information at the following link [here](#):

Denver has a goal for all new buildings and homes to achieve net-zero energy by 2030. Denver defines “Net Zero Energy (NZE)” as a new building or home that is: 1. Highly Energy Efficient, 2. All-Electric, 3. Powered by Renewable Energy, and 4. Providers of Demand Flexibility for the Grid.

Denver’s detailed NZE goals are:

- Net zero energy, all-electric new homes in the 2024 Building Code
- Net zero energy, all-electric new buildings in the 2027 Building Code
- New buildings perform as designed (performance verification) in the 2030 Building Code

Further detail and technical specifications on getting to net zero is detailed in Denver’s 2020 Net Zero Energy (NZE) New Buildings and Homes Implementation Plan. The plan is based on extensive stakeholder input from the Net Zero Energy Stakeholder Advisory Groups and feedback from the community. This NZE New Buildings and Homes Implementation Plan details the targets, supports, and considerations needed to reach net zero energy by 2030. There are also newsletters and emails to keep you updated about our work! Please reach out to our office at EnergyProgram@denvergov.org with questions.

After the presentation, Jonathan asked for a letter of support from OPNA where all were in favor and no one against. Mara to follow up with creating and sending letter on our behalf.

Jolon Clark's Office (Council District

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Maggie provided the following updates:

- Please get a COVID vaccine as soon as you can- 1800-co-vax-co is the state hotline for folks who don’t have internet access. Otherwise log onto you healthcare

providers portal and sign up to get yours as soon as your demographic group comes up!

- The Iowa Underpass project is going out for contractor bids this spring and anticipated work on the underpass would start in 2022. The improvements along Santa Fe should start as soon as summer construction season starts this year!

- February 24 at 5:30 PM is a big update on bike projects in District 7 including Broadway, neighborhood bikeways, and some info on I-25 and Broadway. See Flyer attached [below](#).

- If you can make it to the DPD community meeting on February 2nd I strongly recommend it. Chris from MHCD is amazing and has helped me understand the process of getting folks experiencing homelessness services.

Overland Social

Overland Social is held every second Wednesday of the month where it is an informal gathering for neighbors and friends at a local business. The next scheduled social is **February 10**, at **Bambu**, a Vietnamese tea shop located at 2215 S Broadway, Southwest, Denver, CO. Come join us starting from 5:30pm for a sweet treat and conversation.

Community announcements (open to anyone)

- Here are some of the suggested Goals and Projects for our neighborhood in 2021:

- [CALC Winter Micro Grant](#)
- **Spring Plant Giveaway “Overland Grows”**
- [Historic Denver Action Grant](#)
 - **Historic and architectural resource survey?**
 - **Design guidelines or neighborhood pattern book?**
- [Discover Denver](#)

- Santa Fe improvements survey: <https://www.codot.gov/projects/santafepel>

- Parks and Rec surveys (esp Sanderson Gulch): <https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-parks-and-recreation/planning/community-relations-outreach.html>

Mark Your Calendars:

Virtual Open House | February 4

We're pleased to announce the next South Central Community Transportation Network virtual open house on **Thursday, February 4, from 5:00 - 6:00 pm!**

During the virtual open house, the project team will share what we've heard through the outreach process and changes made based on comments collected to date. We will also provide updates regarding new projects, schedules and next steps as some projects start being installed this year. In addition, we will provide an overview and collect comments on the E Iowa Avenue (Acoma St to Sherman St) mobility improvements project (project information [here](#)).

You can join the meeting by:

- Visiting www.ctnvirtualopenhouse.com
- Calling 855-286-0297

Neighborhood Meeting

Our next neighborhood meeting will be on Thursday, **February 25, 2021**, at **6:30 pm** via Zoom. Look for announcement with link to meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm