# OVERLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION DECEMBER SPECIAL ELECTION MEETING MINUTES

#### December 7th 2023 / 6:30 PM / HYBRID

## OFFICER ELECTIONS -Facilitated by Ali Katz with Find Solutions -

- Review of election procedures. Ali introduced herself and her role to facilitate the election.
- Reviewed goals of organization and 2023 achievements. Reviewed descriptions of officers' roles and responsibilities was cut short as members all agreed that they had previously read these.
- Candidate Introductions were given and each candidate was allowed 2 minutes to speak
  - Presidential Candidates: Jenn Greiving (incumbent) and Estancia Montoya
  - Vice-Presidential Candidates: Ronnie Crawford (incumbent) and Daniel Reiling
- The vote took place and Ali proceeded to count the votes while the rest of the OPNA agenda was reviewed.
- After the votes were counted Jenn and Ronnie were re-elected to their seats.

### **OPNA Business - Co-Presidents Jack and Jenn**

- 2023 Debrief and Thanks to Jack for his support in 2023 as co-president
  - Jack has OPNA yard signs. If you are interested in hosting a sign in your yard please let us know.
  - We were busy in 2023!
    - We hosted 4 solstice/equinox celebrations, numerous neighborhood socials, and 11 meetings. We also had joint socials with other RNOs - thanks to our friends from Ruby Hill and Athmar Park for joining us!
    - We joined the Inter-Neighborhood Cooperative and designated a representative to their transportation committee (Thanks to Nathan R. for serving!), we co-hosted a City Council candidate forum debate with the other RNOs in District 7, and we participated in the Annual Broadway Halloween Parade.
    - We gave away over 1800 plants at our annual Overland Grows Plant Giveaway at the Table Public House. Thanks to those who volunteered!
    - Beginning in August/September, the board attended lots of meetings with the

mayor, his staff, Councilwoman Alvidrez, and the District 7 staff regarding the Temporary Managed Community.

- There's more in store for 2024 stay tuned!
- Treasury update -
  - A donation (\$250) was made to the Table Public House for the use of their space. This was done by the board and
  - A motion was made to donate \$500 for Overland Grows 2024. Unanimous approval.

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- October meeting minutes were unanimously approved
- OPNA Soicals have a new format!

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- Each social will have an OPNA neighbor host the event at a location of their choosing.
   Announcement for socials will include neighbor hosting so that you can find your neighbor at events.
- If you are interested in hosting a social let us know.
- Next social is the WINTER SOLSTICE Mara Ownen will host At the Table Public HOuse on December 16th from 2-4pm
- NEXT MEETING January 25th at 6:30PM location TBD

## District 7 - Councilwoman Alvidrez's Office - Flor Alvidrez

 Councilwoman Flor Alvidrez's provided an update on the progress on the 2301 S Santa Fe Temporary Managed Community (TMC). Through the contract approval process the quantity of units/shelters on the site was reduced from 120 to 60 for the initial phase. There is a 6 month commitment to engage the community before expanding to the full capacity. site The contract for the service provider is with Colorado Village Collaborative. The mayor's office is committed to more community engagement.

- There is a virtual meeting that was just announced next week Thursday December 14th -
- Next year the southwest neighborhood planning initiative will begin. This will be an important time for the community to provide feedback on our priorities and needs. Example, the need for access to grocery stores - we can talk about how to incentivize this in our community. Neighbors should start thinking about what the future of Overland could be!
- Compost Bins They are slowly getting these distributed. It's taking longer than most hoped. Flor
  is trying to get a timeline of when we can expect these. Hearing that it could take as long as 2025.
  No one is happy about this, she will continue to advocate that this improves.

### Mayor's Office - Joshua Posner, Director of Strategic Initiatives

- Reduced quantity of units from 120 down to 60. This was through conversations with the councilwoman. This will be evaluated in 6 months and they will assess a decision to expand then.
- Engagement continually with the community to see how they can bring more online in the future.
- TImeline: anticipated they won't open site until 2024 with current construction schedule and working on GNA (Good Neighbor Agreement).
- There was some confusion if the land was leased from CDOT or if there was a land swap with the city. We will get clarification and update. The community wants to know what the future plan is for this land after the 4 year zoning use permit expires. It is unclear if the land is going back to CDOT when the city is done with their use.
- The city currently has complete control and responsibility for the land at this time. They have begun construction on infrastructure and fence replacement.
- The TMC is allowed by the current zoning code which allows them to build the community. There is in the zoning code a 4 year limit on this land for this use. After that they would rezone and/or reevaluate use. Would not be allowed to continue the use of the site after 4 years with current zoning.
- Neighbors asked what the city plans to do with the shelter houses when the site closes. The city will likely move them and use them somewhere else. All the site infrastructure will be removed and they will return the land back to an empty lot at minimum.
- There is confusion if the ratio of staff to residents has changed. The mayor's team will get clarity on this. It was thought that compared to tiny home villages, they will have different staffing. There will be staff on site 24-7 with guest policies. The understanding is that the staff reduction was not proportional to the reduction of the residential units, so in a sense you could say there's an increase to staff. We will get this confirmed and clarified as there is confusion.
- Question was asked on if residents will be vetted for criminal offenses or sex offenses.
   Permanent residents will have to abide by all the same laws as their neighbors. If someone is sex offender they would have to register and meet all requirements to be able to live in the community

that any other past offender would have to. If they don't meet the requirements they can't live there.

MEETING ADJOURNED - SEE YOU IN 2024!

## **NEXT MEETING and UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Next Social December 16th 2-4pm at The Table Public House Next Meeting January, 25th 6:30pm - t.b.d.