



Overland Park Neighborhood Association (OPNA) – January 24, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm by Co-President Mara Owen

Welcome and Open Comments

20+ members and guests were present.

Minutes from October 2018 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		\$ 3,898.43
Membership Deposit		\$ 1,025.00
Bank Fees		\$ (5.00)
Parade		\$ (38.22)
Ending Balance Per Bank		\$ 4,870.21
Outstanding	Ruby Hill	\$ 138.00

	Amy R – Parade expense	\$ (215,.96)
	OPNA Funds	\$ 2,995.86
	ART Funds	\$ 1,811.39

It was decided that OPNA would not renew the insurance which was obtained when we were painting the bridge. We will still be able to renew whenever we have any future projects that would require having insurance.

It was agreed to pay the \$40 annual fee to INC to continue our membership.

Police Report

CRO Jim Lopez

720-913-1248

Jim.lopez@denvergov.org

District 3

1625 S. University Blvd.

Non-emergency dispatch # 720-913-2000

pocketgov.org/police

BROADWAY COP SHOP

487 S Broadway

Follow the Denver police twitter page to see any information on line.

[Denver Police Dept. \(@DenverPolice\) · Twitter](https://twitter.com/DenverPolice)<https://twitter.com/DenverPolice>

pocketgov.org/police is the Nextdoor version for police reporting where you can sign up and find out about any crimes in your own or other neighborhoods.

Officer Matt provided crime stats report for our area where there has been a 5% drop in auto thefts with a reminder to make sure cars and garages are locked.

Neighborhood Watch

The next meeting for is on

January 30th from 6-7pm @ District 3 Station, 1625 S. University Blvd.

RSVP to d3.sector1.crovolunteer@gmail.com

Reviewing OPNA 2019 Priorities

In our October meeting we asked members to provide ideas on what they felt were

important things to focus on in 2019.

Zoning committee – Karen Jackson and Rebecca have already volunteered.

More Parties – let's keep doing the quarterly solstice/equinox parties, the monthly socials and block parties.

In our next February meeting there will be signups for committees where it requires small amounts of time and can benefit everyone. Other committees to consider being involved in include Membership outreach and Art committee. Once established each committee will come up with their own budget. Maggie has offered to assist with any committee who would like to connect with other like RNO committees across the city.

Jamie Giellis

<https://www.jamiefordenver.com/>

Jamie, a resident of Platte Park is running for Denver Mayor.

Campaign Headquarters are located at

1321 S. Broadway, Denver, CO 80210

720-815-5290

Visit her website to learn more about who she is and why she believes she can make a difference in Denver.

Elections to be held on May 7th where she encourages everyone to get out and vote.

Luke Kelly (representing Jon Roberts)

Contact information for Jon Roberts

303-520-4034, jon@banyanrealestate.com

Luke is a resident of North Denver and a current student at CU. Representing Jon Roberts, a local developer in our neighborhood, he brought to us the latest proposal for a re-zoning project on 1 lot at 2280 S, Bannock Street.

He explained that the current zoning, U-TU-C only allows for a duplex on the lot which will be built if rezone does not pass.

Jon Roberts is seeking to change the lot to U-TU-B which allows for 3 detached homes which means that the current lot would be subdivided into 3 smaller lots.

Some questions.

Tracy – with either plan, does the front yard stay the same? Yes.

Mara – would Jon be willing to sign a good neighbor agreement? Luke did not think that Jon would do this although he is willing to talk to individuals about the project.

Karen – why not build a duplex that fits in, also noticing that the trees have already been removed? Jon wants to avoid building a big box type of structure which could block sun from other neighbors. He believes changing to the three smaller lots would allow more sunlight thru and he wants to keep the character of the neighborhood with the new plan.

Andrew – what is the size difference and will they be affordable? Same lot size just subdivided into 3 smaller lots. Market rate prices.

Mara - What is the timeline? Planning board meeting scheduled for February 20th 3:30pm at Wellington Web building where anyone can come and voice opinions.

Jolon Clark's Office (Council District 7) www.luckyDistrict7.org

Maggie provided the following updates on

Recycling – now accepting paper coffee cups – remove the lid and sleeve – and enter separately. Also, chicken broth containers. More information is updated on the city website found [here](#) Businesses on Broadway north of Alameda can participate in a pilot program for recycling glass. Thru [Momentum Recycling](#) based here in Colorado, recycling glass is a closed system where the glass to be recycled never leaves the state. Also, did you know that Denver is now automatically delivering recycling bins where you no longer have to request to recycle.

Maggie is planning this spring to put together a "Trash Nerd Tour" open to constituents which will include tours of our land fill, recycling plant and compost farm. Ronnie has been on this tour with Charlotte Pitt and said it was awesome to see how trash is processed in Colorado. Other sources for getting rid of things includes

[Gone for Good](#) located at 1st and Kalamath who accept reusable stuff for a fee. They have relationships with non-profits where they will organize and distribute goods that can then be reused.

[5280 Waste Solutions](#) is the one company for construction site recycling.

[Sustainability Recycling](#) on Bannock takes things like electronics and styrofoam.

Other notable updates from Jolon's office include Passed banning conversion therapy, Updated municipal laws related to low energy bicycles where they can ride < 6 mph on sidewalk in selected areas.

Zoning – update blueprint Denver where they want to want to keep ADU in the plans.

Feminine hygiene products are taxed in CO – Jolon wants to remove them from the sales tax.

New reorg for Denver public works where they created a new position, community point of contact - our district Gabriella Arismendi
Iowa underpass – still moving forward with working on moving the path off of Santa Fe, west side of berm on the Golf course.

History Corner

Check out our [website](#) to watch neighbors telling historic stories from Overland Park neighborhood. Let us know if you have a story you would like to share in one of our upcoming meetings

Overland Social

Overland Socials occur on the second Wednesday of the month: It is a chance to get together with neighbors and hang out at one of our local restaurants. The next social is

February 13 at [Color Up Therapeutics](#), in their new location 2191 South Broadway. NOTE: this will be a Potluck and BYOB where we get to experience their new space.

Watch for reminders on our Facebook page **Overland Park Neighborhood Association - OPNA**

Community announcements (open to anyone)

Ronnie Crawford was awarded the first ever INC Sustainability Award at their annual event. If you want you can read the details at the end of the minutes. Congratulations Ronnie!!



[Color Up Therapeutics,](#)

Now located at 2191 South Broadway sells CDB infused products along with holding yoga classes in their space. They also provide education related to the many uses of hemp. They also support local artists where the next meet and greet event is scheduled for February 8th 5:30-9:00pm

Compassion

THANK you to The Studios at Overland Crossing who are once again providing us their wonderful space to hold our monthly meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm

OPNA meetings are held the 4th Thursday of every month, excluding November and December.

Upcoming meeting dates for **2019** include the following: February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24

Next neighborhood meeting will be on **Thursday, February 28**, 2019, at **6:30 pm** at **Studios at Overland Crossing** 2205 S. Delaware St., Denver, CO 80223 Come join us and find out what is happening in our neighborhood.

Also, check us out on our **Website** and also to read the **minutes** from past meetings. <http://www.opnadenver.org>

And like us on [Facebook](#)

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Contact us at: OPNAinfo@gmail.com

Ronnie Crawford
Overland Park Neighborhood Association

This is INC's first year to make this award and we are pleased to present this to Ronnie Crawford.

- Over the years, Ronnie has been an angler, rafter and booster of the South Platte River and its sustainability as an amenity for all of Denver.
- He is a community leader who works with committees like Denver Parks and the Greenway Foundation to plan and execute improvements along our river ways to not only provide the best environment for fish and other creatures but also how to build that infrastructure.
- Ronnie educates residents on best practices in recycling, water health and pollution prevention in our waters, plus he also teaches fly fishing!
- Ronnie tempers his work within these groups with an eye towards the sustainability in keeping neighborhoods natural and viable, especially as Denver's population and pollution expand.

INC SUSTAINABILITY AWARD 2018