



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

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Co-President Mara via Zoom conferencing.

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

**Minutes from May 2020 meeting**

Minutes from the May 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		\$ 4,838.85
Membership Deposit		\$
Paid Outstanding		\$
Bank Fees		\$ (5.00)
Ending Balance Per Bank		<b>\$ 4,833.85</b>
	OPNA Funds	\$ 3,027.46
	ART Funds	\$ 1,811.39

Andrew will close out with US Bank by the end of this period and open a new account with First Bank. Once completed, he will deposit \$90 in membership dues and donations.

### **Police Report**

CRO **Kate Young**

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District 3

1625 S. University Blvd.

Non-emergency dispatch # 720-913-2000

### **BROADWAY COP SHOP**

487 S Broadway

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

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### **Presentation from Denver Excise and Licenses and Q&A hearings and the role neighborhoods play in the process.**

[Erica.rogers@denvergov.org](mailto:Erica.rogers@denvergov.org)

Erica Rogers, EXL Policy analyst gave a very informative presentation on Denver Excise and Licenses which includes liquor license and marijuana processes for hearings. The link to the .pdf for the presentation is found [here](#) on our website along with the recording

Some things learned from this presentation included

- Where to find the Policies and Procedures [guide](#)
- - Hearings are required for all new liquor and marijuana licenses. Special events permits only get a hearing if one is requested.
- During the process, once given notice of the hearing, you have the ability to request evening hearings outside of normal business hours.
- There are always various notifications sent including notice packets, sign posting, and published notices.
- During the Marijuana license process, a community engagement plan may be submitted by the applicant stating how they plan to give back to the local

community. Although useful, it is not a binding agreement and not easily enforced.

- Good Neighbor agreements are a better way to set down guidelines as it is a civil contract between two parties and is binding to the parties.
- Question was asked whether there is a simple how-to guide to the process for anyone who plans to attend a hearing. Currently there is not but they are working on this.

Erica provided more links after the presentation related to the process and documents.

[Here](#) is the link to sign up for our liquor license bulletin for those interested in staying in the loop on any policy changes.

[Here](#) is the link to the HPP's online. If anyone wants to submit comments/ideas/chat more about changes, they can either email me directly or use this [online form](#).

For those interested in learning more about our Marijuana Policy plan for 2020, including whether/how to allow for new license types, community input, and equity programming, a good starting point is our [marijuana policy webpage](#). Specifically, the presentations from the work group and the public comment worksheets I mentioned are on the right hand side in the MLWG column. If you want any more info for inclusion in a newsletter, feel free to let me know and I can give some more context.

### **Jolon Clark's Office (Council District**

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Maggie from Jolon Clark's office was present and provided the following updates

- Amy – has volunteered to be our new representative on the parks and rec committee, to play an important role for our community.
- Denver days – due to social distancing during the pandemic, the city has cancelled original plans for Denver days. They are thinking of coming up with some type of parade of some variety to bring some fun to the neighborhood. Stay tuned.
- Restaurants – can apply for temporary patio expansion. [Temporary Patio](#)

[Expansion Program](#) Contact Maggie with any questions where you can also cc Erica Rogers as she has also been working with some of the applications.

- Iowa project – Maggie did a site visit with the 4 finalists for art selection and the construction manager. We will start to see some action on the golf course side by end of construction season this year including installing trees and new bike path.
- Jewell Bridge – may hear something soon

### **Additional Announcements and Wrap-Up**

**Solstice Recap** (Chalk galore!) was a fun time at Grant Frontier where many neighbors came out and enjoyed adding some chalk artwork to the area. We also gave away chalk to anyone who wanted to continue in their own areas of the hood. And we still have more to be used for other events.

**Veggie Bike Tuesday** from 5 to 6:30 pm at the Table Public House (former VFW at 2190 S. Platte River Dr.). Wear a mask and bring a bag and take what you can use and share.

### **Overland Social**

Overland Socials occur on the second Wednesday of the month: It is a chance to get together with neighbors and hang out and support our local restaurants. The next social is planned for **July 8th**. Pick up some takeout and meet us at Grant Frontier Park for a socially distanced outdoor dining event. If you want - bring a tube to float out on the River.

### **Neighborhood Meeting**

Our next neighborhood meeting will be on Thursday, **July 25**, 2020, at **6:30 pm** in the park at Pasquinel's Landing. Bring your own chair and mask for this meeting by the Platte River.

### **Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm**

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

Upcoming meeting dates for **2020** include the following: July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22

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Also, check us out on our [Website](#) and also to read the **minutes** from past meetings.

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