

## OVERLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

# MARCH MEETING MINUTES

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23 MARCH 2023 / 6:30 PM / HYBRID

### DPD - Officer Kate Young and Officer AJ Pacheco

- Officer Pacheco gave a brief overview of crime stats for the community.
- DPD has a new program to help with vehicle theft - [DenverTrack](#) - The DenverTrack program works with the vehicles' GPS systems to track stolen vehicles in real time. The program requires vehicle owners to preauthorize Denver Police access to the manufacturer's GPS service (e.g., OnStar, etc.) in the unfortunate event that their vehicle is stolen. If the vehicle is stolen, when the vehicle owner calls police to report the theft, DPD can then track the vehicle in real time with the goal of locating and returning the vehicle to the owner and arresting the suspect.
  - Works with most vehicle GPS systems. For older vehicles a 3rd party GPS tracker may be required. Check out info on DPD website.
- Coffee with Cops - Held the first Wednesday of each month from 10-12 at Nixons
- CAB is moved this coming month due to Passover. 6:00pm 4/12 at D3 station at University and Iowa. CROs are available for Q&A starting at 5.

### District 7 Councilman Jolon Clark's Office - Tate Carpenter- Tate.carpenter@denvergov.org

- [E-bikes Rebates are back](#) - starting Tuesday 3/28 at 11am
- Iowa Underpass - ongoing work - weather has not cooperated. Work should start any day now.
- [Denvervotes.org](#) - Ballots due 4/4 - Tate gave an educational overview of the roles of mayor versus city council.
- [Regional Broadway Corridor Study](#)
- Update on [Jewell Pedestrian Bridge](#)
  - ROW acquisition - start construction 2024
- [Compost Changes](#) - A1 the city contracted compost agency is reducing allowable materials. Food Scraps and Yard & Plant Trimmings ONLY!

### REZONE - 2042/2062 S BANNOCK - Starboard Realty Group - John Hersey

- Change proposed after city meeting. They suggest C-RX-5 in lieu of the proposed C-MX-5.

- 8% affordable units - per city minimum requirements.
- Concerns of parking as neighborhood density increases. Project expects to have 75 parking spaces if they have 100 units, taking advantage of adjacent transit.. Parking with an off-alley garage. Retail will have an available parking garage as well. Neighbors encouraged careful traffic study is warranted as the intersection at Bannock and Evans continues to see increased use and lots of accidents.
- April 13th the project will go before the planning board for requested rezoning.
- Members voted to write a letter of support for rezoning with good neighbor agreement in place.

### Arapahoe Gas Plant - Sierra Club

- Rachel Ellis with the Sierra Club joining the meeting to share info on Sierra Clubs advocacy to close the Arapahoe gas plant. Info can be found [here](#). Advocating for land used for more renewable energy resources than fossil fuels.
- Contact Ren Smith: ren.smith@sierraclub.org or Rachel Ellis [rellis@swenergy.org](mailto:rellis@swenergy.org) with questions or for more information.
- They will be hosting another community follow up meeting in April.

### Jeff Walker for City Council

- Jeff spoke on his campaign for city council at large. More info on Jeff can be found [here](#).

### Upcoming events in regards to April elections

- Ballots mailed March 13, Deadline/Election Day: April 4

### Approval of February '23 Meeting Minutes and Treasurer Report

- Approved February Minutes and Report. No objections
- February Treasury Report:

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|----------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Beginning Balance                      |  | \$ 6,153.32   |
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| Membership Deposits                    |  | \$ 82.69      |
| Donation from Jolon Clark's office     |  | \$ 1,000.00   |
| Reimbursement to Jenn Grieving for Owl |  | \$ (1,275.01) |
| Bank Fees                              |  |               |
| Website Host                           |  | \$ -          |
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| Ending Balance per Bank |            | \$ 5,961.00 |
|                         | OPNA Funds | \$ 4,250.32 |
|                         | ART Funds  | \$ 1,710.68 |

## Proposed By-Law Language Changes

- Proposed language as follows:
  - In order to be eligible to vote at a meeting, a member shall have paid in full all membership dues at least 30 days prior to the date of that meeting. For any votes required during the January meeting, members who paid dues during the previous calendar year will be considered eligible to vote.
  - The Board shall have the power to authorize expenditures up to \$250.00 per month for a single purpose on its own. Notification of a proposed expenditure of more than \$250.00 for a single purpose shall be given to the general membership via email communication prior to the monthly meeting. At the next monthly meeting, the expenditure may be authorized by a majority vote of the general membership present either in-person or via online attendance. An emergency expenditure of more than \$250.00 for a single purpose may be made by the Board and reported to the general membership at the next monthly meeting, however, the Board must be prepared to offer justification for the emergency nature of the expense. The Board may exercise the emergency expenditure option no more than 3 times per calendar year.
  - **Please address any feedback regarding these revisions to** [OPNAinfo@gmail.com](mailto:OPNAinfo@gmail.com)
- Vote was taken, and approval to amend by-laws was unanimous.

## Trash Committee

- Monthly trash sweeps of the 1300-1500 blocks of Acoma, part of the 1200 block, and the alleys between Acoma and Broadway @ 3pm monthly Friday before large item pickup. Any and all volunteers are welcome! Meet at 1563 S Acoma and proceed for the cleanup from there.

*MEETING ADJOURNED*

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

- Overland Social - 6:30pm Thursday April 13th - The Skylark - Ronnie Craford's Birthday Celebration
- OPNA April Meeting - 6:30pm Thursday April 27th - Hybrid - location TBD