

Cottage Grove Community Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2022, 7-8 p.m.

A virtual meeting over Zoom was called to order at 6:30pm on Wednesday, March 23.

1. Welcome (5 mins) - Ian Fortney

2. Motions for Approval (2 mins) - Ian Fortney

- a. Minutes accepted - Ian Fortney moved to accept; seconded by Drew Wiley; motion approved
- b. THANK YOU to everyone who attended the District C CIP meeting - you made a huge difference!

3. Membership Update/Financials (5 mins) - Rob Burke

- a. 187 total members, 112 voting members, 75 non-voting members, 107 paid households/5 paid business members
- b. \$3,833.52 dues with \$445.55 in expenses + \$325 in renewals
- c. Voting members that don't pay dues will get converted to non-voting members
- d. Ask your employer for corporate matching for your dues!
- e. Please tell your neighbors about the Civic Association - there has been a lot of turnover in the neighborhood!

4. Project Updates (30 mins)

- a. Cottage Grove West/South - road and drainage improvements
 - i. Thank you for the amazing turnout at the CIP meeting!
 - ii. Next steps:
 - 1. Request a design concept report for Public Works
 - 2. Walking tour with Harris County Commissioner Cagle/District C/Super Neighborhood 22
 - 3. Continue to work with District C on ditch revitalization and sidewalk installation
 - 4. Please watch for details on an upcoming City Council meeting that will be about the City's Capital Improvement Plan.
- b. White Oak Bayou Trail Extension - Memorial Park Connector
 - i. Thanks to TIRZ 5 - this is now complete!
- c. HGAC 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Update
 - i. This is a plan that guides transportation in the whole region
 - ii. All residents - please fill out the survey!

- iii. Last month, we attended a public input session to oppose the TxDOT Managed Lanes Project and strongly opposed its inclusion in the plan.
- d. Shepherd/Durham Road and Drainage Improvements
 - i. Major redesign of Shepherd/Durham
 - ii. "Road diet" for these roads, drainage improvements, bike paths, many other improvements. Reduction from 4 lanes to 3
 - iii. Project will start at 610 and work its way south and will take 4 years
 - iv. METRO will be improving 3 bus stops this year at TC Jester near I-10 this year, and next year they will improve all the bus stops on Kansas St
- e. Community Engagement
 - i. Ditch of the Month - it's happening, raise awareness!
 - ii. Thanks to everyone who helped at the Community Cleanup!
 - iii. Heads up: Intown Homes is starting their big Section 2 development. It's 171 homes, and they have to widen Katy St to accommodate. We'll fight for sidewalks and are already engaging District C!
- f. Security
 - i. Not much interest in the contract deputy program
 - ii. Looking into the Citizen Patrol Volunteer Program: a flier on this will be sent in the next newsletter
 - iii. A flier was distributed with burglary prevention tips - did you know alarms have to be permitted from the city yearly?

5. Q&A - Questions about lighting on new pathway (none planned) and what to do about dead trees on TC Jester (call 311)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

In attendance (next page, screenshot of Zoom participants)

- CG Cottage Grove Civic Associ... (Me) 🔍 🔍
-  Ian Fortney (Host) ⏹ 🔍 🔍
- DW Drew Wiley 🔍 🔍
- LG Larry Goldberg - Civiltech a Wool... 🔍 🔍
- AI Alan Isaachsen 🔍 🔍
- C Camilla 🔍 🔍
- JI JOHN's iPhone 🔍 🔍
- KC Kyle Cranston - SSR 🔍 🔍
- LG Leslie Gavriliuc 🔍 🔍
- M Matt 🔍 🔍
-  Nikkole Williams 🔍 🔍
-  Parks, Ramey 🔍 🔍
- RB Rob Burke 🔍 🔍
- SK Salil Kulkarni 🔍 🔍
- S Sarge 🔍 🔍
- SM Sharon McGuire 🔍 🔍