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**Meeting Notice**

February 2nd, 6:30pm

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<p><b>Welcome - Jeanine Stice, SWAN Chair called the meeting to order at 6:40pm</b></p>	<p><b>5 min</b></p>
<p><b>Neighbor Connections (Kudos) &amp; Concerns (KruDs)</b>  <u>Notes:</u>          Neighbor Kudos included the following: We have a good group of people doing good work; Neighborhood involvement on an illegal tree cutting -lovely park in our neighborhood; -we have a good tree canopy; Low crime in our area; Tight neighborhood and a strong association ; Park resources and grants; good schools. Neighbor KruDs (things to improve) included: a need for more engagement in the association; need more non car transportation options; tech problems with the online meeting platform and street racing on River Rd.           Christine Speak, gave a brief update on our Salem Keizer NAACP chapter in Salem. Meetings are the first Monday of each month.  <a href="http://www.sknaacp1166.org/">http://www.sknaacp1166.org/</a></p>	<p><b>10 min</b></p>
<p><b>Minutes Approval - December 2020, January 2021</b>          SWAN Board  <u>Notes:</u>          December minutes approved unanimously. January 2021 had not been posted so they were tabled for approval until March 2021.</p>	<p><b>5 min</b></p>
<p><b>Program: Police Chief Welcome</b>          Chief Womack  <u>Notes:</u>          Chief Womack shared a bit about himself, policing philosophy, general approach for his first year, and then fielded questions from the group.          -one of his top priorities was to address the protests, and the public perception of uneven treatment of various groups.          -He denounced white supremacy.          -He focused on better communication in neighborhoods.          -Ron asked about an uptick in violent crimes.</p>	<p><b>20 min</b></p>

<p>-Chief Womak discussed the NE area of Salem and the arrests that have been made that hoped to serve to reduce that crime.</p> <p>-Chief Womak related lifestyle choices are a big factor in criminal behavior--a little bit of gang violence but several other factors as well. Ted asked, what advice for citizens the Chief might have to address protests in neighborhoods</p> <p>-Chief Womak was: hesitant to recommend any confrontation, and recommended working toward personal safety and to allow the police to address the issues. Residents should avoid physical confrontations, but feel free to express yourself in the right way.</p>	
<p><b>City Council Update Ward - Councilor Vanessa Nordyke, Ward 7</b></p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <p>-In regards to the protests, she mentioned appreciation of good outreach to the community prior to expected protests and routes.</p> <p>-Permits: Parks, protests, etc.. Either way, people will protest anyway. City is still not issuing permits. City needs to keep in line with the State mandates regarding large gatherings.</p> <p>-Regarding the anti-masker incidents at WinCo and Trader Joe's--The police were aware and communicated support for each of these businesses.</p> <p>-Oregon State Bar association has links to resources in addressing how to deal with those who refuse to wear masks.</p> <p>-Wildfire water quality monitoring: new gages for real time data on flow and quality aimed at assisting the city in monitoring stream flows and soil quality.</p> <p>-Opened a temporary shelter at the State Fairgrounds for our homeless neighbors for up to 100 campers (Church at the Park, ARCHES, and City oversight partnership)</p> <p>-Garbage on Market Street: it is located on State (ODOT) property. The State has been asked to assist in this issue. Currently working with volunteers and local nonprofits to do clean up.</p> <p>-Federal Cares Act: funds have been largely reimbursed for much of the expenses in keeping spaces safe. Some funding has been available for granting to local businesses and nonprofits. Made efforts to make these funds accessible to all. There is potential for these funds to be utilized for the purchase of buildings to help address our homeless and affordable housing needs.</p> <p>-City Staff report should be on the City's website. There should be a report regarding the City View path. Also on the City Council meeting agenda for January.</p>	<p><b>15 min</b></p>
<p><b>Land Use Update</b></p> <p><i>Ted Burney - SWAN Landuse Chair</i></p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <p>No issues at the moment. Some staging for sewer line work.</p> <p><b>Transportation Update</b></p> <p><u>Notes:</u></p> <p>-temp speed bumps are not permitted on city streets. A neighborhood improvement project could be applied for--the neighbors would pay for the</p>	<p><b>5 min</b></p>

<p>project. If more neighbors actually drive the speed limits this could create a new normal. -It would be good to develop our top 5 priorities for development.</p>	
<p><b>Committee Work: Action Plans (SMART)</b> Jeanine introduced work on developing the SWAN actions to complete the goals set for 2021 and updated the plan for Parks with specific target dates for various goals. To support the park committee goals, a motion was made to approve \$50 to cover the cost of Candalaria Park flyers. Motion approved unanimously. In addition the following work parties were set:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work party for April around Earth Day (04-24) Fircrest</li> <li>● Work party for July (07-10) Pioneer Cemetery</li> <li>● Work party for October (10-16)</li> </ul> <p>The SPIF Grant was submitted for Fircrest fountain in January. The goal is to have a proposal for Candalaria Park by September and to complete the grant for Nelson Park Fountain by May 2021.</p> <p><i>Additional Discussion included correspondence from two SWAN are neighbors:</i></p> <p>-Email from SWAN neighbor, (do we include names in the minutes). Would like Neighborhood Watch signs replaced. Cost is \$45. Board recommends that the local Watch team take this up and encourage neighbors to contribute toward the purchase of the new signs.</p> <p>-Email from SWAN Neighbor regarding concerns over air quality impact from the City View crematorium. Mr. Ferring will be invited to present at next month's meeting. Allison will research with the city on DEQ standards and Pat will discuss the issue with the owner of City View regarding their monitoring policies and procedures.</p>	<p><b>30 min</b></p>

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