

West End South CID

Stakeholder Meeting
Tuesday, February 4th, 2020
Meeting Notes

1. **Attendees:** Tonnie Glispie-Smith, Lisa Potts, Yusef Scoggins, Donald Gage, Pennie Brown, Jake Banton (Stakeholders), Jes Stevens (WUMCRC), Tim O'Connell (Bryan Cave), Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard
2. **Updates:**
 - a. Petition
 - i. Because of COVID-19 and work from home orders the timeline for petition was minimally disrupted. The petition will be finalized early next week.
 - ii. Stakeholders unanimously voted to have the commercial property set at a rate that would increase to 30% on average for commercial property owners with the flexibility to increase the rates up to the same levels as the East Loop CID.
 - b. Timeline
 - i. The timeline has been pushed back due to stay at home orders from the Mayor & Governor's office(s). But the petition is set to finalized and on track to collect signatures as soon as stay at home orders are lifted.
 - c. Strategy for Signature Collection
 - i. Because of culture and concerns around group gatherings even after stay at home orders are lifted, stakeholders recognized that more one on one engagement will probably need to occur to collect signatures.
 - ii. Strategy is also to collect the signatures of individuals who have already verbally agreed to supporting the petition so wider support beyond the stakeholders can be demonstrated for signature collection.
3. **Discussion & Other Updates**
 - a. A small business owner contacted Tonnie requesting a letter of support for a variance on zoning so they are able to produce small medical grade equipment at the location of their property – 858 Hodiamont.
 - i. It was recommended that Jake reach out/contact the owner to discuss the CID, and recommend that they go through the development review committee to receive the letter of support.

Next Steps

1. Tim:
 - a. Finalizing Petition
 - i. Following up on the ask to the assessor's office to get an updated list of property owners after the addition of parcels along the Hodiament Tracks & the Ruth C Porter Mall.
 - b. Following up on the legality of the online/virtual notary
2. Jes:
 - a. Creating a one page description of the roles/responsibilities/time commitment of being a board member of the CID
 - i. Draft circulated by the end of week for review and edits so it can be distributed when current stakeholders make asks for 3 additional board members.
3. Stakeholder Group:
 - a. Making contact with Will, Sharon, Jill to gauge interest in serving as an official board member starting in October.

Next Stakeholder Meeting
Tuesday, May 5th, 2020
University City Public Library – 6:00pm