WINDSOR SQUARE HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD AND SPECIAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL MINUTES February 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Board members present: Ken Mosesian, Phil Sheinbein, Hideto Tsujimura, Dawn Dauphine, Jeffrey Long, Kate Corcoran, John Waldron, Emily Groh, and Susan Biegner

Board members absent: Anne Thorne

Membership attendance: Category 1 members from 30 homes in attendance

Guests: Mayor Greg Stanton, Councilwoman Laura Pastor and staff members, Security Action Officer Matt Makinster and others, Blue Steel representatives

I. Welcome and State of the Square

Board President Ken Mosesian welcomed everyone and expressed his appreciation for the community spirit and cooperation that makes Windsor Square the recognized Best Neighborhood in Phoenix. He reported on the Board's ongoing efforts to build relationships with the City, including Mayor Stanton and Councilwoman Pastor, and some successes achieved in the past year, including cooperation that resulted in stipulations for Huss Brewery to operate in Uptown Plaza.

II. Guest Comments

Mayor Greg Stanton and Councilwoman Laura Pastor each presented an update of City actions and activities that affect the neighborhood. Both expressed their appreciation for the Board's efforts to coordinate resolutions of difficult issues.

Councilwoman Pastor reported on the addition of street signals and transit officers, as well as a recent grant to address crime prevention and efforts for economic redevelopment. She advised of a City program to coordinate Valley Big Brother/Big Sister participation at Longview school, and encouraged residents to participate in the program. She also committed to ensuring that the stipulations for Huss Brewery will be honored and are enforceable.

Mayor Stanton reported that the City has a balanced budget this year and has approved additional police hiring. He discussed a legislative bill that would alter Shannon's Law, a city committee to address AIDs and immigration, sustainability programs promoted by the City to reduce greenhouse gas, and a "recycle" bank to divert materials from the landfill to companies that recycle. He encouraged the Board to consider promoting neighborhood participation in the recycle program, which will award points for recycling activities.

III. Police News and Security Patrols

Community Action Officer Matt Makinster reported on police activities in the area, introduced his supervisor Commander Gabe Lopez, and encouraged residents to report suspicious activities to the police.

Emily Groh presented a board showing incident data for the past year. Only 7 incidents were identified in Windsor Square, with 6 being residential burglaries and one being a motor vehicle burglary. A single incident of aggravated assault was shown as being in Windsor Square, but Officer Makinster explained that the incident occurred just outside the neighborhood. These few incidents compare very favorably to the significant number of incidents in the areas surrounding Windsor Square. Emily encouraged residents to visit "communitycrimemap.com" to obtain information about neighborhood incidents. Emily introduced Blue Steel representatives and encouraged financial contributions to the Board's contract Blue Steel security services. Blue Steel is located in the neighborhood, and employees drive through the neighborhood on regular patrols and well as unofficial patrols when coming and going to the offices. Emily reported on the "layers" of security efforts: the neighborhood Block Watch, residential cameras, the Windsor Square Facebook page, private security services from Blue Steel, the availability of police officers, and notification of vacations with neighbors who can watch for suspicious activities. Everyone is encouraged to call both Blue Steel and the police department to report suspicious activities.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Hideto provided copies of the proposed annual budget and gave a report on expected income, expenses, and contingencies. Julia reported that about 145 households contributed to annual dues, that 116 households contributed to Blue Steel security services, and that the Board encourages everyone to participate at levels that work for them. John reported that the Board will be using annual dues to install additional monuments throughout the neighborhood. A motion was made and seconded from the floor to approve the proposed annual budget. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Other Announcements/Discussions

John reported on the new Windsor Square Advantage Card that entitles card holders to discounts at neighborhood restaurants and retail businesses. He explained the new voluntary invoice method of asking for dues and security patrol contributions. The Advantage Card is available to residents who contribute dues.

Phil reported on the Board's purchase of an outdoor movie projection system and intention to offer more communities events.

Dawn noted that the Board is comprised of volunteers who have worked hard to provide benefit to the neighborhood, and encouraged everyone to participate, including forming subcommittees to take responsibility with the Board for organizing neighborhood events.

VI. Election of Officers

President Ken Mosesian announced the slate of candidates for the 201-2018 year:

Phil Sheinbein - PresidentJohn Waldron - Vice PresidentHideto Tsujimura - TreasurerKate Cochran - SecretarySusan Biegner - Member-at-LargeEmily Groh - Member-at-LargeDawn Dauphine/Larry Evans - Member-at-Large, to share one vote

Jeffrey Long - Member-at-Large (to share a vote with H. Tsujimura)

Anne Thorne - Member-at-Large Ryan Ewing - Member-at-Large

Questions were raised about the sharing of votes, and Dawn explained that the Board is complying with the Bylaws by allowing only vote per household, but that two members of the household will share the position -- which actually allows the neighborhood the benefit of additional volunteers. A motion was made and seconded from the floor to approve the slate of candidates. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Resident Questions/Comments

Questions were raised and addressed concerning Huss Brewery and the Board's successful efforts to obtain stipulations, about the Traffic Subcommittee, and about other matters.

VII. Special Acknowledgement

Phil thanked Ken for his outstanding and dedicated service to the Board and the neighborhood, and presented Ken with a thank-you gift on behalf of the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Dawn Dauphine, Secretary