

# Mideast Area Commission

2500 Park Crescent – Columbus, OH 43232

“Connecting – Sharing – Networking ”

## AGENDA November 17, 2020

- **Call to Order**
  - Roll Call of Commissioners

x	Barnes, Quay			Stafford, Cheryl
x	Doty, Cheryl		x	Talabere, Herb
x	Flower, Victor		x	Ware, Sharon
x	Jones, Donna		x	Watkins, Kim
	Lee, Gregory			
x	Marshall, Shirley			
x	Pantelis, Sharon			
x	Saunders, Felicia			
x	Williams, Judy			
	Guests - Community Members			
	Susan Moore			James Novak
	Lynne LaCour			Jennifer Sanders
	Katherine Cull			Helena Ravi
	Lois Maier			Charles Newman
	Ava Johnson			Helena Ravi
	Tiara Ross			Michael Porter
	Brenda Smith			

- Approval of October 2020 Minutes
  - Moved: Cheryl Doty
  - Seconded: Sharon Pantelis
- Treasury Report – Felicia Saunders
  - \$2, 820.42 no change from October
  - Moved: Kim Watkins, Seconded: Judy Williams

## **Presentations:**

### **Charles Newman, Community Relations Coordinator, Dept. of Public Service**

- Role of handling concerns involving public services, rubbish, street maintenance, etc. Assist in determining solutions for outstanding problems. Introduced Vision Zero regarding traffic. Information can be found at: <https://vision-zero-columbus.hub.arcgis.com>
- Commission members discussed importance of understanding submission process to 311. LaCour will investigate establishing a refresher course on 311 for the community.

### **Helena Ravi, Community Marketing Representative for Central Ohio. CareSource**

- Program covers zip codes 43215, 03,05, 13, 27, 20, 08
- Offer nonprofit health plan insurance company over 31 years
- Mission and focus of community of faith, work, pray
- Benefits cover full spectrum of health care needs for all ages
- Specializes in programs for children, women, mental health, seniors and individuals with multiple health issues
- Medicaid, Medicare and dual health services
- Managed care plans
- Wellness programs: babies, women and children

## **Zoning Report**

No report from Sharon Pantelis

## **Committee Business**

### **SID Report -Herb Talabere**

- Medical Marijuana Dispensary - within SID boundaries, not in the MAC area.
- Jim Novak, from South Eastmoor discussed marijuana dispensary applying for variance to open on Main Street.
- He developed conversations with neighbors and survey distributed. Determining if business fits character of neighborhood.
- Had two-hour meeting with dispensary company Canason. BZA licensing meeting November 24.
- Neighborhood will go in front of zoning board.
- Novak attempting to develop working relationship with company and community.
- Herb reached out to SID businesses, over 50% against. No official opinion from SID, other than concern about parking.
- Commission discussion and questions
  - What is number of medical dispensary centers in the area. Nearest one to Main Street location is four miles. Bexley will not allow dispensary within boundaries
  - Selection of these dispensaries built on determinants of city and state codes
  - Principals of company's state clients are from high end economic status
  - Medical Marijuana Center must address five variances to address permission.
  - MAC has indicated will support Central Eastmoor decisions.
  - Security with guard and cameras at all times

- Safety and Traffic Committee
  - Berwick and South Eastmoor area reported committees are investigating E. Livingston Ave speeding and accidents
  - Quay asked that membership report traffic concerns so that one report can be compiled and submitted to LaCour and Newman
  - CPD Precinct Meeting
    - Nov. 19 WebEx 6:30-7:45 meeting
    - CLOs will be looking at trends and violent crimes
    - Officer Tunstall will be in attendance

- **Community Concerns and Events**

**Tiara Ross, Asst. City Attorney**

1. Colonial Village special duty police in place, problematic areas identified
2. CPD will meet with youth division to offer services in Colonial Village
3. Code enforcement to ramp up inspections that need to be remediated
4. Liquor objection 3351 E. Main, several criminal activities, residents requested with experiences report to Tiara
5. 1355 Westphal, deadline of Dec. 14 for exterior cleanup. If not in compliance, city will be authorized to enter property and clean up. COVID may impact that action.
6. Mayfair status: Code supervisor on quarantine, upon return and no compliance from Mayfair, permanent injunction could be enforced.
7. Evergreen food market requested by commissioner regarding illegal traffic coming from Main Street in area. Tiara will obtain further info from commissioners.

**Lynne LaCour, Manager Far East Pride Center**

Needs assistance to find Thanksgiving and Christmas support for two families. Tiara will have social worker report to Lynne.

- Barnett Community Center Spooktacular
- Food Giveaway – Far East Community Center
- Colonial Village – “Colonial Christmas Event”

**Quay**

Commissioners Voted/Appointed by Civics for 3-year term to end December 31, 2023.

1. Victor Flower – Fairmoor (formally Mayfair/Peacekeepers)
2. Gregory Lee - Berwick
3. Cheryl Doty – North Eastmoor
4. Chery Stafford – Remington Ridge
5. Judy Williams – South Eastmoor
6. Herb Talabere – Main St. SID

Unanimously approved by Commissioners present.

- Thanks to all for participating in Barnett Halloween & Far East Food Give-a-way.
- Jennifer Sanders Berwick Shred It Day, 3100 pounds of paper, collected donations for Good Samaritan funds. Will repeat event at end of school year. Friendly and social distanced.

January meeting: **Next Meeting January 19, 2021 - 6:30 pm - State of MAC**

**Adjourn - Moved by Felicia Saunders, Seconded by: Kim Watkins**