



Packard Area Planning Alliance Business Meeting Agenda

Sept 1, 2022 | 7:00 pm
Wunderkammer- 3402 Fairfield Ave

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

Introductions- Introductions were made with a couple new faces in the crowd.

Geoff Paddock: Councilman Paddock shared his excitement for the Packard Plan and also shared some updates with our group. ARPA dollars are still being targeted for Packard Park updates. Budgeting is coming up. Neighborhood walks are still going on. Contact Geoff for any further questions or comments.

Agenda Approval- the agenda was approved with no additions or changes.

Secretary's Report & Minutes Approval [2 minutes]- August minutes were accepted with no additions or changes.

Treasurer's Report [2 minutes] \$2653.41 is our current balance, no expenditures this past month.

Committee Reports

- Historic Preservation [Steve McCord, Erika Stuller]- tabled
- Marketing & Communications [Sierah Barnhart] - tabled

Old Business

- Vice President- Vote [5 minutes]- A quorum of voting members from 5 neighborhoods were present (Williams Woodland, W Rudisill, Foster Park, South Wayne, and Southwood Park). Ben Ruhl was nominated at our August meeting, a vote was taken and our group elected Ben as our mid term Vice President replacing Bethany Ballard who has resigned. Congrats and thank you Ben!
- Packard Plan Updates- Dan Baisden [30 minutes plus limited Q&A]
 - Dan Baisden and Josh presented the public draft of the updated Packard Plan which has been a project that we as neighborhoods have been working on since late 2019. A steering committee was created with 17 participants to start gathering input and feedback. A community engagement piece was also part of gathering info with 1500 touch points of engagement (The most the CoFW has ever seen!). The Plan presented tonight is designed by a large portion of our PAPA community. This Plan is part of a large Comprehensive plan.

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION:

Highlights of this portion of the Plan are to improve Safe Housing, support neighborhood oriented businesses and entrepreneurs, enhance neighborhood commercial corridors as an integral part of our identity and neighborhood businesses, enhance/improve neighborhood character, provide a sense of improved health, safety and security for residents and businesses.

NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER

Historic preservation is a critical component of our community, as evidenced by the community survey used to write this Plan. Highlights of this portion of the plan are to preserve/promote historic character, encourage maintenance/rehab of historic areas, celebrate the arts community and cultural hub of this area, and cultivate strong and inclusive neighborhoods.

NEIGHBORHOOD PUBLIC REALM

highlights: improve mobility, connectivity and infrastructure, support growth and maintenance of parks and public space,

Site themes: Broad River, Irishtown cultural district, Packard Park Arts District, Pedestrian improvements on Fairfield by Tasty Pizza. These are going to be physical areas of focus for improvement and development as identified by this Plan.

Timeline: The Plan will be presented for Adoption to the Planning Commission and City Council in January of 2023. (The Comprehensive Plan must be adopted first before the Packard Plan is presented for adoption).

Q&A:

Are digital versions of the Plan available? Draft will be shared to neighborhood Presidents first. After their review it will be more widely available to share publicly.

Will the City rezone designated areas to Urban Corridor or will property owners need to seek out that zoning themselves? The short answer: both will need to work together to make this happen in indicated areas.

Will the Park that replaced the Pigtails at Taylor and Fairfield be named to honor the Irishtown legacy in any way? It's currently not a park, it is a *plaza* owned by Board of Works. It may have Irish themed signage nearby however for example.

What do the renderings represent? These are purely conceptual renderings to provide inspiration to those who view the Plan to seek to improve and develop sites within PAPA. The renderings were created based on the community feedback we heard. The renderings will be shared publicly at a later date but are not indicative of concrete projects in place at this time.

Can you share more about funding and implementation? We will begin to create an implementation matrix and begin to assign departments, groups, etc to start working on this and hopefully draw out funding. The Plan can also be used to structure City priorities, budgeting etc. This is a 7-10 year plan.

Is there any vision for the former Taylor campus? The Taylor campus is private property. We heard some feedback for the site however no action steps are able to be made for this property. It is an area of focus but that is as far as this Plan goes.

New Business

- PAPA Retreat- November [10 minutes]- Rebecca is helping to plan our Retreat. We have applied for a Grant thru WK for funding. We are seeking a speaker to talk about leadership skills and dealing with the stresses surrounding leading a neighborhood or neighborhood project. In the afternoon we will devote time to talking about the Plan and action steps we can put into place. Food and drink will be served. The event will be held at The Boys and Girls Club. November 5th. 9-2 pm. \$35 per person, Scholarships will be available for any attendees that may need that.

Good of the Order

Lexington/Calhoun- new restaurant is opening by a refugee chef, please support

Congrats to Dan Baisden on his official trip to our sister city in Germany to learn about planning!

Adjournment: 8:05pm

Attendees:

Sierah Barnhart

Lyndsay Perez

Rebecca Gremaux

Ben Ruhl

Jody Lent- Foster Par

Angie Schaefer- Fairfield

Jennifer Tonnely- Illsley

Lisa- SWP

Jim Sack

Geoff Paddock

Dan Baisden

Josh Campbell

Dan Swartz

Cornelia Schulz

Terri Stumpf

Kody Tinnel

Andy Kurzen

Steve McCord