

## Safety and Livability 02-05-2019-Sunnyside Community House

Present: Lorraine Henriques, Matt Lembo, Maureen Watkins, Sean Watkins, Pat Schwiebert, Alice Meyers, Sheryl McCoy, K.C. Hoffert, Trev Howard, Kelly Smith, Noah Emmet,, Julia Peattre, Dave Boush, Christian Snuffin, John Mayer, Gwyneth Fleckenstein, Dara Buhl, Carolyn Buhl

Meeting came to order at 6:34PM

Meeting is chaired by Matt Lembo-Chair of SNA-Pat Schweibert is Chair of this committee  
Matt and attendees decided to move to Good Neighbor Agreement and skip the regular S&L business, such as the safety training.

Matt reviewed a summary of the content of the last meeting-in order of discussion

Rules of Engagement

Next, Matt laid out the process of the GNA-working on Core Principles and Goals

Will be taken back to drafting committee for discussion

The 3<sup>rd</sup> step is the entire GNA

Julie asks for a brief description of a GNA-

It is not a contract, legal or otherwise. No enforcement, for example. It is a way for people involved with a contentious issue to come together and form a framework for agreement

Matt reviewed Core Principles and Goals, starting with the 2 parties: Sunnyside Community House, Sunnyside Neighbors

John Mayer, executive director of the SCH gave a brief description of the Sunnyside Community House-(SCH)

Matt gave a brief description of the Sunnyside Neighborhood Association. (SNA)

Matt reviewed some concerns around the Sunnyside Community House (SCH)

Working draft was reviewed-Foster-Powell GNS is an example GNA that we decided we would use as a guide/model.

Core Principles and Goals were reviewed.

Suggestion-Change of language from church to "Houses of worship."

Discussed principles and individuals weighed in with personal stories about safety and how they feel in their neighborhoods-

Topics discussed

Education about how to respond if someone feels unsafe was suggested.

More facilitated conversations would be helpful

A safety plan was discussed-a "neighborhood network"

Goals were reviewed

Matt asked if anyone had any additional goals they would like to add

Dave mentioned constraints on resources-including strategies that can reduce the need to call upon scarce resources.

Discussion about crime semantics-Eliminate words "Crime" and "especially" to "Reduce drug use in public."

A participant who is houseless and using the SCH now offers his assistance, and stated his willingness to be a resource. He does not like to see drug use in front of children.

Next Meeting on Feb 24<sup>th</sup>. Follow along on our website.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34

Minutes recorded and submitted by Lorraine Henriques, SNA Board Secretary