October meeting-10/3/16

Chris- Call to order @ 6:32pm Introduction, welcome and reminder to vote Approval of minutes- All in favor

Introduction of candidates

Daina

Mike Jobe- lived in neighborhood since 10/2006. Involved with recognizing what's going on in the neighborhood. Wants a safe community and would like an opportunity to serve in that capacity in the neighborhood.

David Hooper- seen good and bad of the neighborhood and wants to be able to contribute to the board in a positive capacity.

Property Assessors Office - Raymond Ward

Voted in a new property assessor in September

They don't set the "menu" or the "price"...the sales in our market determine the value.

They are obligated to re-appraise every 4 years, they visually re-inspect properties visually.

They analyze sales data in our market...They use the cost, market, and income approaches to value.

They will send out the appraisal in April, residents can contest it, but need to do it as soon as you receive the appraisal notice.

Appraisals are market driven. They compare apples to apples...homes that are comparable to yours, not yours against a larger, more expensive home.

Take tax rate \$4.51, lower it down to compensate for existing homes. Can only make money on new construction homes.

2017 tax rate is \$3.50

Make money on new construction, council members decide whether or not the tax rate can go up.

Davidson Co is lower than Knox, Chattanooga area, & Shelby

District 17 sales have increased by 42% from 2013-2016

The impact of Nashville being the "It" city is impacting everyone all over the county Can call 615-862-6059- number to file an informal review, can call to set an appointment or file online.

Formal appeals are accepted as well...

www.padctn.org - can visit here to file an appeal, great resource and can actually go on their website to look for comparable homes to yours Programs for seniors-

Tax Freeze Program-owners who are 65 and over can freeze their property tax if income is below \$41,660

Tax Relief Program- 65 or older on or before 12/31/16 or are disabled may qualify for a tax rebate of \$23,500 of the value of a principal residence if combined income is under \$29,180. Disabled veteran homeowners or surviving spouse can qualify for a rebate

Tax Deferral Program- deadline 12/31/16 - Administered by metro trustee-

Board wants to hold and event at the community center to set up neighbors to qualify for these programs.

Is there a formula for the appraisal? Not really, its' an overall average of the value of what's on that property.

Appraisals must reflect values as of 1/1/2017. PADCTN.org

Announcements

- 1. Neighborhood tree planting- effort to re-plant trees anyone who is interested or wants one, let us know. Go to website to sign up for that. Taking place 10/15/16. Researched proper types of trees to go in
- 2. Zoning hearing for Montrose Re-zoning on 10/13 @ 4:30pm. Sarah F- if you want to be heard write a letter, email, and show up at the meeting.

How many times can it be deferred? Not sure, don't know if there is a limit. If planning says no, Colby can still take it to council but it needs a vote of 27 out of 40, if it's a yes by planning then they only need 20 votes.

Attempting as a board to devote a page on our website to developments in our neighborhood so community has access. Want there to be one centralized place for information and the process, because it can be confusing.

3. Fall Green & Clean- Lee

Had 12 people on Saturday and went through all of the alleys in the neighborhood to clean up what they could, and sent pics of ones too -There will be another clean up in the spring...majority of the trash was from construction-took pics and sent to metro, who said they will come and pick it up

- 4. Traffic calming meeting- Had a great meeting last week
 - -10th Ave, safety, speeding, crosswalks
 - -Pedestrian and biking safety
 - -Overall speed safety
 - Lighting
 - -Traffic circles
 - -How to report bad driving behavior- how to constructively report it.
 - -Accessibility & aesthetics
 - *Need leadership for this group- if interested there will be co-leadership
 - * Agreed that they will not be focusing on parking- focusing solely on traffic and safety

*Next meeting 10/26 @ 6:30pm at Craft Brewed

Great group of people involved and as we move forward board will communicate about goings on

5. Open Streets Nashville- Shutting down 12 Ave S down to the Gulch for walking/biking. Need to get the tent and banner back from the old banner

Motion to get new banner if necessary? All in favor Possibly give away waters

6.Co-sponsoring bike rodeo to bring 12 South and Edgehill together - located at Midtown police precinct.

Happening on October 30th

- 7. Block captain program- Need volunteers to hand out info about property assessors to neighbors who couldn't make meeting or have internet.
- 8. Want to set up a date to get neighbors to sign up for programs available to keep their taxes lower.

Open up floor to neighbors

Ken- Montrose re-zoning issue- what is the best fit boundary and residential homes?

Howells are asking to go behind the current 250 ft. setback from 12 south for their development. If approved could change the "precedent" for the neighborhood.

Planning has voted against the property... Ken says it will infringe on the historical and residential value of the neighborhood.

Harold Love- Stop by and say hello and if anyone needs anything 615-741-3831 (office), 615-866-7928(cell). Has 3 or 4 bills working, always open to taking ideas for new bills.

Motion to adjourn- Donald, all in favor.

Annie- asked if we should do newsletter after monthly meeting? Yes, so there is more content