

**Grove CID Board of Director Meeting  
November 9th, 2020 at 11:00 AM  
at 4512 Manchester, St. Louis, MO 63110**

**Board Members Present:** K. Kenter, T. Boldt, D. Bellon, G. Slay, J. Oliver, T. Telnikova, P. Rothschild, C. Schloss

**Board Members Absent:** F. Mohammad, S. Myers

**Others in Attendance:** Alayna Graham, Ashley Johnson, Abdul Abdullah (Park Central Development), Officer Slade (District 2), Chris Saracino (Campbell Security), Ron Coleman (Neighborhood Improvement Specialist), Gerry Connolly (St. Louis Resident)

**1. Call to Order:**

- a. K. Kenter called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM.

**2. Approval of October 12th, 2020 Minutes:**

- a. P. Rothschild noted that the minutes have him listed as absent, but he was in attendance by phone. A. Graham will make the adjustment.
- b. T. Boldt motioned to approve the minutes with the adjustment of P. Rothschild being present. J. Oliver seconded the motion. All in favor, approved.

**3. Chairs Report & Announcement of the Order of Business**

**4. Public Comments and Questions:** Gerry Connolly was listening in but did not have comments.

**5. Committee Reports:**

a. Safety and Security Committee:

- i. J. Baumstark reported that Free 2 Grow adjusted visibility with foot patrols and lights. A Sunday night patrol was added as well as patrol stops at Urban Chestnut.
- ii. They are coordinating plans for a public presentation about what the Safety and Security team is doing to improve visibility and address safety concerns. He claimed that Free 2 Grow spoke with A. Graham at Park Central Development (PCD) and that PCD did not want to participate in this presentation, but would send a distribution list for Safety and Security to send invitations.

A. A. Graham clarified that PCD was not refusing to participate, but that a public meeting run by the Safety and Security Committee would be held to all Sunshine Laws as they are a public entity. This would require specific notifications, an agenda, meeting minutes, etc. If they host this public meeting, it will count as the 4<sup>th</sup> Safety and Security Committee meeting for the fiscal year, which is all that is allotted in the PCD contract. Every meeting after the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will cost extra. She suggested to Free 2 Grow that he and Campbell Security host this meeting on their own as private companies to avoid extra costs and that she would email out that invitation- not give them a distribution list.

B. The Grove CID decided that they would still like to host the meeting themselves.

C. D. Bellon would like to see the movements of the officers. Free 2 Grow said they would send him the link, but he has not received it. C. Saracino says that this is the most transparent system that they've ever seen.

- D. P. Rothschild would like to bring up the email from Rob Betts to Abdul Abdullah that was shared with the Board and note that he appreciated seeing it and agrees that the more folks involved in trying to help, the better the CID is. He also believes that it is not a good idea for any one person on the Board to weigh in as a Director or Committee Member representing the CID. If they have opinions about the email, they should only speak as an individual.

b. Executive & Finance Committee:

- i. T. Boldt presented the financial reports.
- ii. A miscellaneous revenue is money back from an insurance claim.
- iii. A miscellaneous charge is for a centralized storage space.
  - A. J. Baumstark is offering his storage space for free, but PCD moved their storage to a paid facility. The Board wonders why they are incurring a fee for storage when they had a space for free.
  - B. A. Abdullah joined the meeting and listed the reasons why they moved the items to a new facility including ease of accessibility, climate control, and insurance.
  - C. K. Kenter requested the storage facility information (contract, Grove portion, and list of items stored) to discuss at the next meeting.
  - D. A. Abdullah said PCD would reimburse the Grove CID for storage and get the information to present next meeting. The Grove CID can decide at the next meeting if they would like their items moved back to J. Baumstark's warehouse.
- iv. The number under Storage is for \$570, but that is higher than expected. T. Boldt requests that A. Graham check into that number.
- v. Also under Miscellaneous, there is a \$5,000 charge from PCD. K. Kenter informed T. Boldt and the Board that this was a one-time fee for renewing the Special Assessment. This includes the outreach to property owners, collecting signatures, working with the attorney and the City to file the Special Assessment. The last time this was performed, it cost the CID \$10,000 but was reduced this year.
- vi. Litter Control is cleaned up from last month.
- vii. The sales tax is still increased. A. Johnson is the listed administrator for the Grove, so she will log in to the Department of Revenue website to get more information.
- viii. T. Telnikova asked about a charge for website design services. A. Graham explained that someone had been hosting the Grove website for 3-4 years free of charge. This person recently moved and cannot host now. They invoiced for back charges for hosting for several years and the task of switching everything over.
- ix. T. Telnikova also asked about the charges from ATBM. A. Johnson explained that there is some fluctuation in charges depending on the extra tasks that he performs throughout the month. She offered to give a detailed report of the invoice for next meeting.

c. Marketing Committee:

- i. Did not meet. T. Telnikova gave the update that the website is almost done.

d. Public Service Committee:

- i. K. Kenter dismissed himself for this discussion.
- ii. A. Graham presented the revised RFP.
  - A. J. Baumstark says that he looked through the RFP and it looks very good, very complete.
  - B. T. Boldt asks if there is any information in the Scope of Services about the post being taken down or re-aligned. A. Graham says it only requires the contractor to follow the designs of the engineer. D. Bellon requests that the RFP should require the contractor to have visited the site and understand the existing conditions, and if something needs to be altered, it will be at their expense. D. Bellon would like the RFP to state that the Grove CID is tax exempt. D. Bellon would like the RFP to request a fresh coat of paint on the entire structure. T. Boldt made a motion for G. Slay to go to the engineer to get an opinion about the structure for a cost not to exceed \$200. P. Rothschild seconds the motion. G. Slay and T. Telnikova abstain. Majority in favor—motion approved.
  - C. T. Telnikova noted that they are altering the RFP to match what Piros has already provided in their response and questions whether they need to go through this entire process.
- e. Nominations Committee:
  - i. No updates.

**6. Administrator's Report:**

- a. A. Graham presented the number of meetings the committees have used and the number that they are each allotted as per PCD's contract. She noted that Public Services and Safety & Security have both used 3/4 meetings, and each additional meeting will cost.
  - b. A. Graham noted that it is November and if they want to add to their holiday decorations, now would be the time to order. A. Johnson noted that the lights were removed last year because the maintenance was too costly. The Board would like the Marketing Committee to discuss.
- 7. Other Business:** T. Boldt would like to keep all public comments to no more than five minutes. A. Graham explained that it is already on the agenda and it does not need to go into the by-laws. It is up to the discretion of the Chair on giving a longer comment period.
- 8. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM.