

TLNA Council Meeting

August 10, 2017

Festival Foods Conference Center, 7:00 pm

Present: Richard Linster, Karla Handel, Bob Klebba, Bob Hemauer, Steve Wilke, Patty Prime, Marta Staple, Patrick Heck, Tyler Lark, Elena Duncan, Jessi Mulhall, Keith Wessel, Tim Stumm

Absent: Sarah Herrick, Paul Ongioni, Elena Duncan

Guests: Officer Chad Crose, Officer Alex Berkowitz, Greg Potter, Jack Chandler, Shaun Abshere, Mary Beth Collins, Joey Hoey, Beatrice Hadidian

TLNA focus for 2017 is transportation safety in our neighborhood.

Call to order 7:00 pm

Patrick Heck moves to approve July's minutes, Steve Wilke seconded. Minutes approved unanimously. See <http://www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/news/minute/072017.pdf> for minutes.

Introductions

1. Neighborhood Officer Report -

Officer Chad Crose: ccrose@cityofmadison.com

Sargaent Alex Berkovitz

- Officer Chad Crose shares crime statistics for the TL neighborhood for the past month. Rare violent crimes, and some break ins. Crime elsewhere in Madison is up, but not in TL neighborhood. Report shared including a map for locations of crimes, days of week with peak crimes. Most thefts from autos are reported at about 6am.
- Bob Klebba requests a report that includes calls from James Madison Park. Officer Crose acknowledges that there are many calls regarding activity in the park, but they are not included in the report shared because the report would be hard to read. Most calls are disturbances, people drinking, drug related complaints, noise concerns. No major violent crimes. MPD can bring a report that contains James Madison Park calls to the next meeting. This report will capture several months of calls.

- Bob Hemauer would like to hear any information about MPD's response to the increase in violent crime in Madison. Sgt Berkovitz reminds the council that Madison quality of life remains high, but things are not the same as 10 years ago. Severity and sophistication of crimes is worse. More gang involvement, with the influence of poverty associated with this gang violence.
 - Increased shootings, some fatalities, some injuries, some shootings are not at people. But increased shootings are not random.
 - Expect to see increased officer involvement, including community policing.
 - A small group of names continually appears in reports and complaints, and this group will be targeted. Lots of effort and investigations within the MPD is currently happening.
 - Patty Prime reminds the council that Chief Koval is keeping a daily blog to share information about the increased calls for shots fired. The blog can be found at: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/police/chief/blog/>
- MaryBeth Collins reflects that the quality of life in Madison, while good, is very different for people in some parts of Madison, outside of the TL neighborhood. The focus on a small number of perpetrators and the effort to disrupt their violent crimes could cause collateral arrests for other innocent people in those neighborhoods. These sort of arrests could contribute to mass incarceration. Sgt Berkovitz would like to clarify that the shootings are dispersed around the city, and full neighborhoods will not be flooded with MPD officers. They will target individuals of concern, not neighborhoods, in an effort to decrease shootings and deaths.
- MaryBeth Collins would also like some small anecdotal description on the crime report shared by MPD at the TLNA. Officer Crose clarifies that some calls regarding break in attempts through open windows, break in attempts to open doors, and stolen bikes from an underground parking.
- Alex Berkovitz, Bob Klebba and Patty Prime have been meeting regularly with representatives of the Salvation Army. Patty would like to know if neighbors see any difference in activities and behaviors in the neighborhood and along E Mifflin behind the Salvation Army. No significant improvement has been seen, and these changes are expected to take time.
 - Most calls are nuisance only
 - MPD is working on outreach, and is planning a BBQ and boat ride for Salvation Army constituents.
- Sgt Berkovitz would like to answer any questions regarding recent peeping tom behavior in the TL neighborhood. MPD will need probable cause to arrest the likely individual, and a detective is assigned to this case. Any suspicious behaviors should be called to MPD, and pictures of the

individual doing these behaviors are very helpful. This individual has never shown violence, or inclination to break into homes, no history of known sexual assault.

- Tyler Lark wonder what the peeping is for, and Sgt Berkovitz suspects there is a component of pleasure from invasion of privacy.
- Keith Wessel wonders where the calls are coming from, and multiple are in the TL neighborhood. Unknown if his behavior is specific only to the TL neighborhood.

2. Request for TLNA support for Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center application for City CDBG loan application

Shaun Abshere, Wilmar board member: shaun.abshere@gmail.com

Beatrice Hadidian, Wilmar programs director

- At council meeting tonight to request that TLNA joint with SASY and MNA to support WilMar center's application for CDBG block grant money. Eligible for this because Wilmars serves low income people.
- Wilmar intends to use this loan to acquire space to operate their programs. Currently using parking lot space from the Pilgrim Church (formerly Immanuel Lutheran). The church congregation is now in need of fundraising, and asked WilMar community center if they'd like to buy the space they use. The block grant will cover this price and allow Wilmar Community Center to keep and maintain an open access community center on the isthmus.
- This community space creates access for people from all backgrounds across the isthmus. They plan to keep their parking lot/community space for outdoor activities and playground.
- *Karla Handell makes motion to write letter in support, seconded by Steve Wilke.*
 - Discussion:
 - Patrick Heck wonders if there a concern with land access. Beatrice is not concerned, has been advised that this is easier if they are not updating an existing structure.
 - Shaun notes that CDBG loans have no interest owed to the city. If they sell this land, they will need to repay the loan and interest in the future.
 - Bob Hemauer notes that this space and these programs are of vital importance, and abstains from voting as he is also on Wilmar board.

Vote: Unanimous ayes, with one abstention.

3. Art In Event announcement September 23, 2017

Gregg Potter with Project Kinect: gregg@projectkinect.com

Jack Chandler: artin1444@gmail.com

- Gregg Potter represents Project Kinect, a social business, who represents 100 Mile Sauce. Project Kinect will support 100 Mile Sauce's Bloody Mary festival at Art In at 1444 E. Washington Ave, and expecting 800 people on Saturday, September 23.
- No permits, no letter of support requested. Just want to let the council know this is happening.
- This crowd size will necessitate taking the bloody mary competitors outside to the parking lot, while the music will stay inside. Patty advised that some local restaurants did get permits for outdoor alcohol events, and Jack will check into this. Bob Klebba recommends that he check with the city clerk, and may need to talk to ALRC for serving alcohol outside of their usual licensed location.
- Money raised will be used by 100 Mile Sauce to build their brand and product. \$30 - \$50 ticket for entrance. Daytime only.

4. Party in the Park Update

- Patty Prime requests checks be written by start of the school year, will work with Treasurer. Awaiting one final donation.
- 3 recipients identified: Lapham School/PTG, Parks, and Transportation programs. The funds of \$5000 will be divided equally among the recipients.
- This is in addition to the annual \$200 to East HS and \$100 to each of the following: Lapham, Marquette, OKeefe.
- Patty Prime will follow up with Jessica Becker and Tim Stumm to direct the Lapham/PTG donation from the PITP donations.
- Patty Prime will follow up with Transportation Committee and Parks representative Tyler Lark to share these funds.

5. Transportation Safety Update

- A small group of the transportation safety committee met with Alder Zellers and Traffic Engineering (TE) to review the committee's recommendations for transportation safety improvements in the neighborhood. See Appendix A for recent meeting with TE notes, also online at <http://www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/steering/embbnotes0725.pdf>.
 - Bob Klebba requested to see E Mifflin maintained as a thoroughfare for bike, but TE was clear that the Livingston/Mifflin 4 way stop will stay. A new 4 way stop will be added at

Paterson/E Mifflin. Concerns about transitioning these 4 way stops to 2 way stops will need to be taken to the Ped/Bike committee.

- Joey Hoey requests clarification on how these recommendations were made.

Patty Prime notes that all recommendations come from the transportation safety committee, and she brings them to the council tonight to share these ideas.

Richard Linster notes that the group was formed a steering committee following a public meeting. Steering committee will reconvene a neighborhood meeting to inform the neighbors regarding these changes.

- Patty Prime notes that changes are not happening in the usual sequence.
 - Traffic diverters at E. Mifflin and Blair causing eastbound traffic to be obstructed from continuing eastbound down E Mifflin, causing a forced right hand turn onto Blair. This is approved by TE for a 90 day test only, goal to be in place and completed before winter.
 - Raised crosswalk mid-block at E Dayton at Lapham school: TE declines this change, due to difficulty with water drainage and storm drain engineering.
 - Raised table top intersection at Paterson and E. Mifflin at the corner of Breese Stevens field is favored by TE, but again there is concern about storm sewers. They will await a response from street engineering.
 - More speed humps on E. Mifflin and E. Dayton will be considered.
- Council has not weighed in on these changes
- Blair will be rebuilt between E. Johnson and E. Washington in the next year, and TE will consider moving the bike light to the middle lane for bikes. There will be signaling for pedestrian crossing on E. Wash at Blount.
- Committee was unable to agree regarding TE recommendation to increase parking to both sides of 900 block of E Mifflin between Ingersoll and Paterson. This block is currently one side of street parking only. TE would like approval to make this change, has requested response from Alder Zellers. This block is exempt from 2 hour parking restriction, and changing 2 hour restriction zone is complicated.
 - Patrick Heck notes that increased access to free street parking is only creating free spots for residents of the new high rises, who wish to avoid paying for a parking spot in their building. Does not solve pre-existing parking problems.
 - Patty Prime would like council to consider this possible parking change, but reluctant to move council to vote on a recommendation today. Karla Handell is reluctant to recommend increased parking on the bike boulevard.

- TE feels that parking on both sides of this block would increase safety of the bike boulevard, by creating a narrower feel on the street, slowing car traffic.
- Bob Klebba would rather see this decision go back to committee, and be balanced on concerns about bike safety instead of free or subsidized parking for new residents.
- Patrick Heck is concerned these changes will be upsetting to some neighbors. Patty Prime has asked for advanced notice from TE before any diverters or changes are built, so neighbors can be informed. Bob Klebba notes that this was raised at the first public neighborhood meeting, and the group was largely in favor.
 - Bob Klebba notes a license plate study by the city on E Mifflin: 80% cars using E Mifflin are from outside the neighborhood, only 20% from the neighborhood.
- Patty Prime would like to schedule a neighborhood meeting, and offers the upcoming Taste of Tenney in 10/2017 as a good venue. Diverter will be in place by then. Tyler Lark suggests we use the Taste of Tenney annual meeting to introduce these traffic and transportation changes, and then use it as an opportunity to inform neighbors about a separate focused neighborhood meeting.
 - Patrick Heck would like clarification: what is the purpose of this meeting? Taking opinions, or informing neighbors only?
 - Richard Linster does not recommend Taste of Tenney annual meeting as a time to meet on this topic. It is too far away as a date.
 - Patty Prime would like to see a neighborhood meeting that can accommodate Alderperson Zellers and representatives of TE. Patty will also schedule a transportation committee meeting to precede any neighborhood meeting.

6. Review new Facebook (FB) group

- Patrick Heck would like to hear everyone's impression of the new FB group, which now exists as an open forum in addition to the TLNA facebook page, which has limited posting access for non-admin users.
- A Facebook group made by Paulo Delgado was set up, and Andy Adams is an administrator. A recent post by an admin tried to set some rules for posting and recommended that moderation of conversation happen, which is confusing and concerning for use for this open access.
- SASY has a page on FB that does not edit or manage posting, only rarely does an administrator need to make an edit.

- Editing is a concern, does not promote open use and access.
- Patrick Heck also notes that there are multiple posts to the group, but no discussion yet. Hoping to see a discussion forum evolve from this.
- Patty Prime notes that many neighbors don't have access to FB, and the listserve meets non-FB communication needs for neighbors. Joey Hoey voices concern about FB use and challenges, and knows many people of all age ranges who do not use FB.
- MaryBeth notes that there are long standing questions for the council regarding TL use of social media. This could be a good project for the coming year, and could support the council's connectivity to the neighborhood and civic engagement. This needs some dedicated workshop time and facilitation.
- Richard Linster wonders how to look at effectiveness of our communication abilities and the buy-in from the neighbors. Bob Klebba responds that this is hard to measure.

7. Council Chair reports

- Richard Linster, Membership Chair
 - Since last meeting 218 to 242 members an increase of 24 and \$ 2,225.00 to \$ 2,595.00 an increase of \$ 370.00
- Jessi Mulhall, Newsletter Chair
 - Next Newsletter Deadline Sept 15, 2017
 - MaryBeth Collins recommends coverage of homecoming parade for East HS
 - Patrick Heck recommends a "welcome to the neighborhood" piece for new residents.
 - Could be a good opportunity to share transportation changes, including where this information is posted on the website.
 - Tyler Lark recommends that new tennis court surfaces be shared in the newsletter
- Keith Wessel, Housing Chair
 - Hoping to announce a new housing website for upcoming newsletter. Website can be found at :<http://keithwessel.com/TLNA/Sidney/430/index.html>,
<http://keithwessel.com/TLNA/Gorham/1036/index.html>
 - Local house update for J. Spitzer Resnick, who is updating his house for 100 year anniversary, and will be included in the website. Collecting old home stories.
- Tim Stumm, Treasurer
 - No update

- Steve Wilke, Business Chair
 - Cork N Bottle wine tasting this weekend, and remember that summer is slow time for local businesses and be sure to visit and support them.
- Bob Hemauer, Social Chair
 - October 18 for Taste of Tenney, and Richard Linster has shared previous Taste of Tenney resources. Will get to work on that when Makeshift Event is over in August.
- Patrick Heck, Development Chair
 - County is not willing to reveal those who put in letters of intent for the Messner site. These won't be released until proposals submitted after September, 2017. County has continued to add addendums the Messner RFP.
 - Houden proposal has evolved slightly following recent meeting, and removed their smallest building and propose to save another 1-2 houses. The committee saw this as a positive overall, but some concerns persist regarding mass, scale, and lack of affordable housing. Houden continues to request a change in zoning and a change in neighborhood plan. New slides will be added to website.
 - See Appendix B for update
- Bob Klebba, Transportation Safety
 - Safety concerns have been shared on the listserv. Often these people will note that they've already reported to the police. People seem to know to report without being reminded on the listserv, as had been the pattern in the past.
- Tyler Lark, Parks Chair
 - Recently scouted locations for fruit trees with water utility and parks, and due to electrical and water mains running underground along Reynold's Park, and identified fruit tree area ok between sidewalk and water well on Mifflin side of the park.
 - Approved up to 6 fruit trees for planting in line. Parks people were open to planting in the park, but didn't want to impact park activity.
 - Trees will be planted in spring 2018. Parks would like to have a ribbon cutting ceremony for planting.
 - Tyler intends to survey neighborhood for tree preference from an approved list supplied by the city.

- MaryBeth Collins, Council Liaison for Policing and Safety
 - Last meeting in May, 2017, brought some common council changes proposed at that time for police practices. This was approved with a common council vote of 19-1.
 - Chief Koval wasn't supportive of these changes, and adoption of changes by the MPD may occur, and there is optimism around this.
 - Multiple community groups worked very hard for these changes. Seen as a successful process.
 - CCOC has not met since this vote, but next meetings 09/19, 10/03, and 10/17. MaryBeth Collins will try to attend and report back.
 - Unfortunately, a lot of conversation around police safety has shifted in the recent months due to increase in violent crime. She has been reading Chief Koval's blog to watch for response. Significant increase in shots fired and homicides, 10 homicides this year alone.
 - Cautions to take this information in balance, and notes a recent study that demonstrates that hip hop music events do not have more violent crime reported at these events compared to other music events.

9. President comments

Patty Prime

- Yard sale Saturday, August 19. Kudos to Anne Katz for her hard work.
- <http://www.tenneylapham.org/web-data/pdfs/2017yardsale.pdf>
- Taste of Tenney will be on Wednesday, October 18 at Christ Presbyterian Church.

Motion to Adjourn by Steve Wilke, and seconded by Bob Hemauer.

Adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Appendix A: Minutes from meeting with Transportation Engineering receive feedback on Tenney-Lapham's transportation safety proposal

Meeting with David Dryer, Tom Mohr, Ledell Zellers, Cameron Fields, Patty Prime, Bob Klebba, Mark Winter

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Raised intersections

Raised intersections are expensive, in part due to the underground drainage work necessary because they interfere with storm water drainage. They could be funded as part of a larger street reconstruction. Dryer said that he would check with City Engineering on the schedule for the streets in question, Ingersoll, in particular. Ingersoll/Dayton, Ingersoll/Mifflin, Livingston/Mifflin, Franklin/Mifflin, Paterson/Mifflin, Blount/Mifflin. Dryer checked the Condition of Ingersoll. Last resurfaced in 1994. 8 is the curb and pavement rating.

Raised crosswalk at Lapham

The raised crosswalk at Lapham is a problem due to safety concerns placing a crosswalk at the location where parents drop off and pick up. There was a death at Cherokee where a cross walk was in the same area as drop off/pick up. Raised crosswalk-needs to be in sweet spot as far as storm water goes. Raised crosswalk needs to be separated from drop off area, for safety reasons, 100' to 200' away. Crosswalk in front of Lapham could be replaced by speed hump. TE proposes to move drop off at Lapham on south side of Dayton.

Raised crosswalk between Festival and Reynolds Field

Raised crosswalk between Festival and Reynolds Field would be reviewed but if stormwater is an issue then a marked crosswalk at street level would be done and the City would look at relocating the ped ramps to the preferred crossing location so that it matches the exit at the Galaxie condos. The city will also consider two traffic humps on this block. Dryer will talk with City Engineering about the raised crossing. Speed humps are typically spaced 300 feet apart for best effect, but each street is unique because of block length, driveway locations etc. This block is a little under 700 feet in length.

For raised intersections and crosswalks TE is not amenable to plating over the gutters for trying to address drainage under the pavement because the water freezes under the plating/pavement during winter thaws and creates ponding of backed up water.

Painted intersection at Blount/Mifflin

TE can support the idea of a painted crosswalk at Blount/Mifflin. TLNA will need to investigate. Planning grants may be available from City Planning. Painted intersections can last about three years, depending on traffic, weather/snow plowing, paint.

Dickinson

Four way stop at Dickinson/Dayton, Dickinson/Mifflin.

Ingersoll/Mifflin

Four way stop at Ingersoll/Mifflin.

Ingersoll

On Ingersoll between E. Washington and Johnson, we prioritized solutions:

Best = table tops

Second best = humps

Third best = stop signs

Cameron pointed out that the visibility a distance of the traffic light at E Wash and at Johnson has improved on Ingersoll with tree removal, and the result is more speeds, as drivers try to make the light.

Paterson/Mifflin

The group favors a raised intersection at Paterson/Mifflin. Lyric contributes \$15k to traffic safety. Dave Dryer says he'll see what he can do for this feature. Otherwise a four-way stop.

Keep stop signs Livingston/Mifflin

T-L Traffic Safety group proposed removing stop signs at Livingston/Mifflin. Dryer says there is a safety concern issue and will not support removal, to remove Zellers would need to introduce a CC resolution, referred to PBMVC directing TE to remove the Stop sign. TE recommends that Stop for pedestrian safety. TE has received positive feedback from residents of the Galaxie and Constellation. It has resulted in cars/bikes/peds taking more care at this intersection. Cameron observed that it has helped having the four way stop at this intersection. Perhaps it can be reviewed again later if humps are installed on Livingston.

Lights

An additional light was added on the 600 block of Mifflin. (I've received positive feedback from neighbors there.)

Dryer asked about what kind of lighting was being requested. Standard street are less expensive than the shorter, ornamental pedestrian scale lighting. They'll look at adding lights on 700 and 1000 blocks of Mifflin. Lights are assessed to property owners.

Speed Humps

Speed humps on Mifflin and cross streets are all okay. TE will go through the survey process. They can add humps to 800 block of Dayton. It makes sense next to the park. Cross streets to include Blount, Ingersoll.

Blount/E. Washington

TE plans a pedestrian activated flasher where Blount crosses E. Washington.

Mifflin/Blair Diverter test

TE agreed to test a diverter at Blair/Mifflin. The test will be 90 days and conducted this fall. They communicate this in advance so we can get the word out to neighbors. The problems occur in the afternoon and early evening as commuters are leaving downtown. If it works it can be considered for

permanent construction next year if the Council approves. As part of the test TE would do some additional traffic counts in the neighborhood to determine if traffic diversion materializes.

Mifflin/Blair Bike button

TE recommends constructing an island and putting the bike crossing button in the island so it is in a better location for bicyclists to activate it.

Baldwin diverters

TE doesn't recommend diverters at Baldwin, the traffic volume is low. Dayton definitely hasn't the traffic for diverters. They could consider putting up signs restricting right turn during rush hour, and possibly eliminating one or two parking spots on the west side of Baldwin to make it easier to make right turns onto E. Washington. Could also prohibit turns onto Mifflin during rush hour.

Appendix B: TLNA Development Report

For TLNA 10 August 2017 Meeting

By Patrick Heck

See TLNA development website for more details.

-- Houden Properties (700 block E. Johnson, south side)

The TLNA steering committee met again on August 8 to evaluate a revised proposal that includes the elimination of the smaller of the 3 new proposed buildings and saving one more home onsite. Details will be discussed briefly at the TLNA August meeting, but developer slides and meeting notes will be posted on the TLNA website soon. We anticipate that the steering committee will issue a supplementary report later this month.

-- Messner Site (1326 E. Washington)

Dane County's Request For Proposals (RFP) for an operator for a potentially mixed-use and/or affordable and market rate housing development has been released and can be viewed at the TLNA Development website. The RFP evaluation and selection team is expected to include a TLNA representative. Letters of intent by RFP respondents were due July 21 and full proposals are due Sept. 8. We may have a list of respondents to share at the August TLNA meeting.

-- RPG (Blount/Johnson)

The Madison Fire Department continues conducting training in the blue house at the corner of E. Dayton and N. Blount. It is expected to be demolished soon with the construction of the new 8-unit apartment building on that corner starting later this summer/early fall. The demolition of one E. Johnson house will begin this summer/fall as will the process of moving the other E. Johnson house to E. Dayton. Construction of the new E. Johnson building (next to the Caribou) with commercial space and 21 micro-units is also likely to start in the summer/early fall. The entire project should take 10-12 months.

-- Homeless Resource Center (615 E. Wash)

The day shelter (The Beacon) on E. Washington across from the Salvation Army is expected to open in October 2017.

-- Salvation Army (630 E. Wash)

The SA and Commonwealth Development are reportedly working further on the design. The SA also is working to obtain approval from higher up SA offices. They may start the City's approval process in the summer of 2017, but their financing for the affordable units will not be applied for until later in 2017/2018, hence construction would begin late in the summer of 2018. Opening of the new Salvation Army and the apartments would be in mid-2019.

-- Stone House (1000 block E. Wash)

Constru

ction continues on the high rise (The Lyric) and parking garage, as well as the 4-story building along Mifflin/Brearily that will have mostly affordable apartments. The Lyric is expected to open later this month. There is still no word on plans for the eastern portion of the block that was earlier proposed for Summit Credit Union's headquarters.

-- Veritas Village (Reynolds Crane Lot)

Construction is well underway on these 189 apartments with an August opening expected for the phase along Mifflin and some of Livingston. The Dayton St. phase is expected to open in October.

-- Galaxie (800 block E. Wash)

Construction continues on the 24 Starliner Condos along E. Mifflin continues and several condos are already sold and occupied. The 3-story building closest to Festival Foods will be apartments rather than condos - there are about 19 units in that 3-story building with the lower 2 floors being 2-story live-work units.