**Harrison West Society Meeting ~ March 20, 2024**

**Members present**: Jerry & Debby Colvin, Diane Cumming, Julia Cumming, Lydia Cumming, Becky Davis, Ruth Dohner, Kaitlyn Donnelly, Eloise Inglesi, Jim Tennyson, Robert Mason, Michael Metz, Tim Price, Chris Ruder, Kristin Yankovich and Frank Yankovich. Guests present were Tony Celebreze, Amanda Ford, Michael Liggeh, Patra and Costa Souhleris, Scott Monnin and Kathy Lyons.

**Call to order:** Tim Price, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM at 515 W. 5th Ave. Quorum present. Introductions were made.

**President’s Report** [president@harrisonwest.org](mailto:president@harrisonwest.org): Tim reported that the next Executive Committee Meeting will be held at Hyatt House at 633 W. Fifth Ave at 7pm on 6/5/24.

**Minutes**: Frank moved, seconded by Lydia, to approve April minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Parking Study Update:** Amanda Ford and Michael Liggett reported on the parking study. They reviewed the goals of the parking management plan (consistent, predictable, allow for public parking, and minimize long term visitor parking). They provided a map of the parking study in Harrison West. They provided options. Pennsylvania is “red” even in the permitted streets, which strongly indicates that street may need to have its own restrictions. Even though consistency is generally preferred, the hybrid option is recommended on Pennsylvania. She gave a reminder that multi-unit buildings constructed after 2008 are not eligible, unless they are individually addressed with their own point of entry on a public street. Businesses also can get a permit. Short term rentals choose if they are a business (must provide a certificate) or a residence. They will monitor to see the impact on the rest of Harrison West Neighborhood. Email feedback on the options to Michael Liggett at MTLiggett@Columbus.gov. They will summarize our comments, give a presentation to the Executive Committee, then present to the full Society, hopefully at our next meeting. Tip: If you have a parking complaint in our neighborhood, email customer service at parkingservices@columbus.gov.

**400 W 1st – Proposal:** This was approved previously but due to the time lapse, they have to apply for variances again. Tim moved, seconded by Chris, to approve the variances as submitted. All in favor, motion passed.

**Zoning Update –** Tony Celebreze, Deputy Director, Building & Zoning Department, gave a brief update. The gallery and public comment period is happening now until June 10th. They will analyze and adjust based on feedback. There will be at least one hearing for changes that were made based on feedback. Then he hopes there will be a vote to adopt by council later in the summer. He noted there will be a phase “1.5” in early fall because there were two or three areas that wanted to be included but wasn’t in phase 1.

**Monthly Reports:**

**Treasurer** [treasurer@harrisonwest.org](mailto:treasurer@harrisonwest.org): Michael Metz reported current balance is $3,951.23.

**Parks and Greenspace Report** [parks@harrisonwest.org](mailto:parks@harrisonwest.org)**:** The next park cleanup is Wednesday, May 22nd at Side by Side Park from 5:30 p.m. – 7 pm.

**Membership** [membership@harrisonwest.org](mailto:membership@harrisonwest.org)**:** Julia brought the membership list so people could check their contact information.

**Short North Foundation**: Julia reported that no grant applications have been received yet. Also, the Short North Civic Association has a public social on Thursday, May 16 from 6 – 8 at Standard Hall. They are going to visit the Zone in Gallery on Monday, May 20th from 5:30 – 7 p.m. The annual yard sale is Saturday, June 1. She reported that two of the tennis courts at Goodale Park will be converted to three pickleball courts later this year. Dennison Place is having their neighborhood party, open to all, on June 9th from 4-8 p.m.

**Block Watch** [blockwatch@harrisonwest.org](mailto:blockwatch@harrisonwest.org): Chris reported 1 missing person, 2 stolen vehicles, and 1 menancing.

**Communications** [communication@harrisonwest.org](mailto:communication@harrisonwest.org): Lydia reported the newsletter was sent, the website was updated, and announcements were made on Facebook.

**Social**: We will plan a social to be held in August at the next meeting.

**Nominations:** Robert Mason, Nomination Committee Chair, announced Tim nominated Michael for Treasurer. The floor was open for nominations. Michael nominated Julia for Treasurer. Julia nominated Tim for secretary. Tim nominated Lydia for Vice President. Chris asked for more nominations. Hearing none, nominations were closed. Chris moved for the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for these positions. Diane seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

**Open Forum:** The officers will make a group reservation at the Zone-In Gallery and communicate the time and day so that others can visit as part of the Harrison West Society.

June 19th is a federal holiday. Julia moved to move the HWS meeting to Wednesday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m. Frank seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Jim moved, seconded by Debby, to adjourn at 8:29 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.