

**CWE Southeast Business District
Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes
4:30 p.m. Tuesday November 18, 2014**

Commissioners present: Teri Pesapane, Dennis Overton, Tiffany Boyd, Yusef Scoggin

Commissioners not present: Jeff Miner

Others present: Gelinda Connell (Park Central), Jim Whyte (NSI), Charles Betts (TCF)

Call to Order 4:45pm

NSI / TCF

Yusef asked about plans for the Darren Wilson Grand Jury decision and the potential unrest. Jim Whyte assured commissioners that policies are in place to manage. Officials are communicating with Jim. TCF will lose workforce if the SLMPD puts officers on mandatory 12 hour shifts. Bike patrols will decrease, officers will work in pairs to cover multiple SBDs in an ATV and will focus on nighttime hours. TCF will likely have a need to bill at time and a half but will keep costs manageable through sharing officers in SBDs. TCF assures that the budgets look to be able to bear the increase especially when sharing officers. Commissioners will consider the time and half request. Jim assures that the SLMPD will provide increased police presence; commissioners ask to define what that means. Jim Whyte will investigate.

Jim addressed a recent gun theft incident. The victim was a hunter who left multiple weapons unlocked in a vehicle. Commissioners asked about laws governing negligent gun owners. Betts encouraged commissioners to talk to lawmakers.

Crime in the SBD is down. Jim Whyte will confirm whether or not Walgreens has changed its reporting protocol resulting in lower crime numbers.

Camera project

One location still needs to provide permission. An article on the camera project is forthcoming for St. Louis Magazine.

NSO

The City is discussing safe use of streets by scooters and wheelchairs. They will reveal plans for safe primary routes for those in need at a public meeting.

4140 Laclede is missing a pedestrian light. City will reinstall

The Independence Center is still looking to move to Sarah and Lindell but want to bypass the requirement for retail on the ground floor. 4157 Laclede project feel through – not cost effective. The property is for sale at \$10 -\$15 psf. Eagle Bank is seeking additional tax abatement. Jarrold manufacturing has a dumpster on site that needs to be emptied.

Minutes from October meeting

DO/motioned JM/ seconded all ayes. Approved.

New business

New commissioners

Ask Harold Karabell about interest from WPLNA renters. Ask Bryan Taylor Robinson of H3. Yusef will check with Jason Wilson.

Budget

Yusef recommends dedicating ½ of surplus to lighting programs. Budget will be approved in mid December.

Other

Blog topics should include past projects like lighting.

Financial report

Meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm

The next meeting will be on **December 16, 2014**