

East Price Hill Improvement Association (EPHIA)

ARCO - 3301 Price Avenue

January 16, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

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MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present

President – Sheila Rosenthal

Recording Secretary - Jamie Rouff

Treasurer - John Ridder

Director - Amber Kassem

Director - Newman Lain

Director - Camri Nelson

Trustee - Eric Buhrer

Trustee - Tom Gamel

Excused

Corresponding Secretary - Greg Shaw

Membership Officer - Nikki Franz

Director - Chandran Achutan

Absent

Vacancies

Vice President

Director

Director

Trustee

1. **November 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes:** Motion: Tom Second: Eric Motion: Passes

2. **First Time Attendees:** 3

3. **Communications:** #Total: 12 #In: 12 #Out: 0

4. **Treasurer's Report:** 26,850.03

5. **Membership Report:** No report

New members:

Pending: Renewals Due!

6. **Quality of Life, Safety & Government Reports:**

a. **Police** - Officer Embody provided an update on the shooting in the 3700 block of Warsaw Ave. on January 4th. The suspect had exited a Metro bus in front of Wash Land. He saw a vehicle he thought was in a previous altercation and began firing shots. A female passenger in the vehicle was shot. CPD

detectives received video footage from Metro and were able to make an arrest of a juvenile. The juvenile was a local resident of East Price Hill.

-Sgt. Hicks reviewed the crime report for January. Overall five year crime is trending down, there is a reduction in Kia and Hyundai thefts and the community will see new police officers throughout District Three over the next couple of weeks. Personal citations will be increasing to monitor parking enforcement for Olive and St. Lawrence - twenty calls were reported according to Sgt. Hicks regarding the parking issues in 90 days of data.

-Sheila requested that the Neighborhood Liaison Unit provide updates and report on pedestrians being struck. She would like to address these concerns with DOT.

b. Probation - No Report

c. Safety CAT - Linda Ackerman/Patti Hogan

- i. Next Safety Walk – No safety walk for next month
- ii. Next Safety CAT Meeting - Monday, February 6 @ 7PM @D3
- iii. Next Skyline Fundraiser - Thursday, February 19 from 4-9 p.m.

Presentations - Vandercar Development would like to build rental townhome units at the corner of Mt. Hope Ave. and West 8th Street. **EPHIA will support the building of townhome units from Vandercar Developments, but has requested to receive updates on progress and is asked to work with the Housing and Development Committee (Tom Gamel).**

7. Old Business and Projects

- a. NSP 2023 – \$9872 in funding for the year. Last call for projects. Please email project submissions to info@ephia.org
- b. **QOL Committee - Amber Kassem**
 - i. Olive traffic issues - Amber asked for recommendations for next steps to address issues. She also encouraged community members to make phone calls anytime there are traffic related issues at Olive Ave. and St. Lawrence, provided an update from the December General meeting and is continuing to address concerns with the city.
 - ii. Parking on Warsaw Ave. - Bi-language orange cards are being posted on cars with some additional parking enforcement. This has helped a little bit to address parking violations. Amber also explained that parking on the street will help slow down traffic.
 - iii. Other
- c. Housing & Economic Development
 - i. Homeless Camp @ CMHA Property on Considine
 - ii. Problem properties throughout the community
 - i. Code Enforcement & Housing Maintenance
 - ii. Abandoned properties: update on landlord that was recently in the news, 180 day suspended jail. Any concerns related to landlord issues, please email info@ephia.org

8. New Business

- a. Motion from the Board: Motion that EPHIA support the acquisition of the CMHA Property located on Considine Avenue for the use of Santa Maria Development with

EPHIA's input to continue through all stages of the planned development of the property. **Motion: Carries**

- b. Developer Rob Smyjunas (Vancar Development) is proposing a 5 unit townhome development at the corner of Mt. Hope and W. 8th Street. The townhomes will be rentals and have off street parking. Motion from the Board: Motion that EPHIA support the proposed 5 unit development at Mt. Hope and W. 8th with EPHIA's input to continue through all stages of the planned development of the property. **Motion: Carries**
- c. Motion from the Board: Motion to support the proposal by Price Hill Will to apply for Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment funding to do pre development work at 3509 Warsaw Avenue, formerly the Intense Wrestling Gym, which has been vacant and blighted for many years with EPHIA's input to continue through all stages of development of the property. **Motion: Carries**
- d. Motion from the Board: Motion to retract board approval of a proposed city study to create a pedestrian footbridge over Elberon Avenue to Mt. Echo park. **Motion: Carries**
- e. **Update on street rehabbing/enhanced with DOT scheduled to begin in 2024. If rehabbing is completed, enhancements are additional this will lower our rating score and the street will not be "touched again" for 25 years.**
- f. Other _____

9. Community Organizational Announcements

- a. **Price Hill Library – Sondra Presley** - no report
- b. **Price Hill Will – Rachel Hastings / Samantha Conover** - Warsaw Creative Campus will be officially completed in Feb. 2024. Six commercial spaces are still available for rent, thirteen residential spaces are available and names are being sent to Huff Realty.
- c. **Santa Maria – HA Musser** - Update provided in new business, section a.
- d. **Rees E. Price – Tiffani Maher** - no report
- e. **Mount Echo Advisory Council – Eric Buhrer** - no report
- f. **Olden View & Wilson Commons – Mary Croft** - no report
- g. **Other:**

10. Announcements

- a. Next general meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 20th @ 6:30 p.m. @ ARCO (3301 Price Ave.)

11. Adjournment: Motion: Eric Second: Amber Motion: Carries