# **Restore Rundberg Team Meeting**

Location: GAMA-8801 Research Blvd, Suite 100

Date: June 12, 2014

Start: 1900 (7:00pm)

End: 2030 (8:30pm)

#### **Attendees Present:**

Erica Saenz (Place 6) - Chairman Roberto Perez Jr. (Place 14) - Co Chair Margaret Valenti (Place 1) Linda Krueger-Powers (Place 2) Julia Foree (Place 3) - Designee Brian Almon (Place 4) Ann Teich (Place 5) Robert Martinez (Place 7) Patricia Zavala (Place 8)
Michael Willard (Place 10)
Mary Jo Hernandez (Place 13)
Laura Pressley (Place 13) - Designee
Keith Bazzle (Sgt. APD)
Rafael Kianes (Officer APD)
Michelle Menchaca (APD) - Recording Secretary

### Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

## **Old Business:**

- Campaign Activity Announcement City Legal advised there should be no campaigning or political materials from members or other individuals from the community during the meetings.
- 2. **Grant Positions Updates** 14 people have applied for the positions. There will be a board to conduct interviews. The selected candidates will be housed at the North Sub until a storefront location is obtained.
- 3. **Mobile Walking Beat Update** Request the Walking Beat Review Report for next meeting and post to Base Camp for reference. Patricia Zavala asked if an addition question can be brought up to the residences if they are a victim of Theft of Service; i.e. wages not tendered.
- 4. **Juvenile Justice Programming, RFP and Scope of Work Update** Leave on the agenda for the next community meeting. Inquire of the status of the community survey and ask for a designee from UT.

### 5. Priority 1-4 Updates

a. Priority 1: Revitalization of 4 Key Properties Residents in the community near the bowling alley would rather request the property mowed and maintained than just fenced.

- b. Priority 2: Development of Hybrid Community Center and Healthcare Clinic The clinic on Rundberg is not accepting new patients; they are hoping to hire a physician assistant and nurse practitioner to extend services. The Braker Lane clinic has ob/gyn, pediatrics, internal medicine, family practice, dental, x-ray, lab and some specialty services. The clinic is currently at 80% capacity, pediatrics, internal, ob/gyn is maxed out. The specialty services are barely able to keep up. There is no free space within the building for further specialists or teaching. An adult daycare for people with intellectual disabilities and a prenatal support group are also held in the building. Access is a huge issue, patients can spend 2 ½ hours on the bus to get to the clinic. Taxi vouchers are provided at times to able patients to return for appointments within the same day. Capital Metro has offered vans to give to a nonprofit organization that will provide transportation and maintain the vehicles. In conclusion another clinic is needed with specialty services and access to mental health care within the area.
- c. Priority 3: After School Programs for Those 10 yrs. and Older There are 14 apartment complexes in the area but 3 are being focused on with information for summer programs. Exploring ways to connect and identify with high risk youth has been a priority. The workgroup is looking for grass roots neighborhood programs to aid in support and resources. The YMCA is offering to provide swim lessons at selected apartments upon coordination and logistics. The Boys and Girls Club are interested in getting involved in the Rundberg community programs.
- d. *Priority 4: Accountability for Housing and Property Code Violations* From June 2011-2014 there were 34 documented violations for the Middle Fiskville property. 6 violations were reported from June 2013 and the last documented was January 2014. Until October 2013 all but one complaint was inspected within 7 days. Since that time the response has changed dramatically to 94 days for the highest and 8 days for the least. The days for follow up have decreased to less than 2 weeks. Most cases are resolved on follow up inspection. Others remain open due to issues such as the property owner's paperwork or the complainant not complying with resolution. Violations trends are locks, pests, air conditioning repair, and holes in walls.
- e. Priority 5: Homeless Intervention and Prostitution Diversion Request to make time for two presentations for the next meeting. One is from ECHO for the pulse count in July of the transient population in the area. The other is CARITAS is starting a new service in the area and would like to make a presentation.
- 6. Data Supportive of Brownfields Grant Proposal for the Rundberg Area A map was presented of problem properties in the area for revitalization. It featured the areas around Showplace Lanes, a 5 acre property on E. Powell, and an empty field on San Jose. The grant is narrowed to one site for proposal. Mary Jo Hernandez will send Margaret Valenti the list of properties for proposed evaluation. An additional meeting should be scheduled to continue discussions.

#### **New Business:**

7. Presentation by Pastor David Perez of Victory Ministries - Pastor David Perez operates a rehabilitation home and a church called Victory Ministries located at 2300 Canterbury St. The ministry specializes in rehabilitating individuals with alcohol and substance abuse problems based on Christian Principles. The rehab is free of charge and the average stay is 6 months with help transitioning back to society. There is a 60% success rate completion of the program. The home in Austin houses 36 men. Women seeking help are referred to the rehabilitation house in San Antonio for the services. Items need to help them in their efforts are clothing, toiletries, bunk beds and monetary donations.

Contact Info: Pastor David V. Perez PH: 512-563-6735 Email: perezdavid@prodigy.net

Next Meetings - All are welcomed to join.

- a. Next Community Meeting7:00 pm, Thursday, June 26th Holy Word Lutheran Church, 10601 Bluff Bend Dr.
- b. Next Revitalization Team Meeting
   11:00 am, Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at GAMA, 8801 Research Blvd, Suite 100

Meeting adjourned: 8:33PM