

MOUNT OLYMPUS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Millcreek City Hall

August 13, 2019

Introductions

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of Council Members

Present:

David Baird, Chair

Kate Johnson

Brian Jorgensen

Richard Williamson

Phong Nyugen

John Knoblock

Charles Pruitt

Kumar Shah

Away:

Ken Smith

Joan Haven

Minutes

The minutes from the June 4 2019 meeting were approved.

Citizen Recognition

Millcreek City and the Mt Olympus Community Council (MOCC) formally recognized Barbara Bruno as an outstanding citizen for her efforts to beautify her neighborhood through routinely collecting and disposing of trash on her regular walks and runs.

REPORTS:

Unified Police Dept. (see Item 1 below)

Unified Fire Auth.

The UFA briefing indicated that fire control and minimization was particularly good this July, and fire incidents decreased throughout the month.

State Legislative Update (Jani Iwamoto) (Patrice Arent)

Jani Iwamoto reported on ongoing issues related to deaf students at Skyline and the presence of cougars in upper Olympus Cove. Upcoming interim issues include medicaid, marijuana, and tax reform. Potential bills include water banking and domestic violence.

Elise Scott reported on behalf of Patrice Arent on Repr.Arent's participation in Public Utility and Energy and Technology committees, and her role as co-chair of the Ethics committee. Notable, she directed the audience to a website to provide input on tax reform. The website is: Strongerfutures.utah.gov

Mayor's Update

Mayor Silvestrini reiterated the success of fire control efforts and mentioned that Millcreek's Night Out against Crime was also a success. Upcoming events include the August 26 City Council meeting, which will include a discussion of HB 411, Renewable Energy 2030. An open house on flood mitigation and insurance, specifically related to Neff's Canyon, will be held Sept 17, probably at Churchhill Jr High.

The City has raised \$20 million in bonds for the purpose of acquiring land near the new city center for park development. Purchases are underway and should be complete by the end of the year.

A 20% set-aside for development of affordable housing is available to assist in the development and preservation of such housing, probably and most desirably in the form of blended market rate and affordable housing developments.

See <https://millcreek.us/Calendar.aspx> for more information on these and other events.

Jupiter Jump Update (John Miller)

Construction is likely to be completed in the summer of 2020. The project has not gone out to bid because of the high-demand market driving excessive costs. See <https://maps-millcrk.hub.arcgis.com/pages/capital-improvement-projects> for more information on this project and other Capitol Improvement projects.

COMMUNITY INPUT:

Angel Vice introduced herself as a candidate for Mayor of Millcreek in the 2019 election.

BUSINESS:

1. UPD briefing and discussion on presence in Mt. Olympus area (Jared Nichols reporting)

UPD crime reports and maps are available at https://www.updsl.org/page_resources_crimeReportMaps.php

Generally crime statistics for the council area are stable. Notably many thefts from cars occur at trailheads. We were reminded that school is starting soon, and to be watchful for children. Parents should avoid parking/stopping in the bike lanes on Wasatch in front of Eastwood.

UPD focussed significant effort on traffic issues in the cove in July, resulting in numerous significant citations, and some arrests (70 hours, 31 citations, 2 arrests). Speeding is likely to remain an issue and the council requested UPDs continuing presence. Metrics may be available in the form of periodic reports to council chairs, but such reports are issued from HQ, and coordination of data production and reporting with them is necessary.

2. Rezone Application ZM-19-0155 (Thousand Oaks Circle/Covecrest Drive, Midway Hospitality Partners) (Robert May/Francis Lilly/David Baird)

The proposal is to realign six parcels into five, and to include all 5 new parcels on the Residential Compatibility Overlay Zone (RCOZ) (some are presently in FCOZ, Foothill COZ). See attached map for details. RCOZ requirements will include more strict containment on building heights, and the overall proposal will result in slightly less density.

Concerns raised by citizens and council members included increases in traffic, and the possibility that a road could be extended through the property, linking two existing cul-de-sacs.

After considering the various concerns, the council moved to recommend that set-backs not be considered until plans are available, that no thoroughfare (public or private) be allowed, now or in the future, and that the lots be changed and RCOZ applied as proposed. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the city council August 21 at 5 pm, Millcreek City Hall.

3. Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) Wildland Fire Risk Mitigation Strategy Update (David Baird)

RMP is developing a proposal to proactively cut off power to certain homes in the MOCC area when dire weather conditions, combined with other factors, increase the risk of accidental fires due to powerlines. The protocol for this action includes a two day advance warning of such conditions. RMP requests that people download their app and include up to date contact information.

This effort will only be focussed in a few areas, and unless people were specifically notified of an upcoming open house, their property is not affected. This doesn't mean that such people would not be at risk in a fire situation, only that their property is not in an area where power cutoffs would be necessary.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was discussion of smaller scale beautification/cleanup projects in the neighborhoods, possibly self funded. This item will be included in the September 3 MOCC meeting.

ADJOURN

Next meeting: September 3, 6 pm, Churchill Jr High Library.