

Cathedral Square Special Business District

Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m., November 17, 2021

The Greystone - 410 North Newstead Avenue

Commissioners Present: Imran Hanafi, Arthur Hoffman, Kenneth Sowell, Claudia Wall, Carolyn Welton

Commissioners Absent: Mike Roth

Others Present: Gary Cole and Ron Hasty of GCI Security

Security Report

Hasty summarized the month's activities, pointing out the CSSBD had been fortunate compared to other SBDs in the neighborhood in terms of crimes reported. Few incidents other than car cloutings and another mailroom theft at Hampden Hall were reported during the period. Hasty suggested that increased foot patrols may have contributed to the low incidence of crime. Foot patrols were increased because of the seasonal increase in thefts of deliveries from front porches.

In other Security matters, Hanafi and Hoffman will collaborate on updating the printed piece for residents. It will be produced and available by the end of the year.

Choice of a property on Boyle for installation of one of the two surveillance cameras previously deployed on the pole at 2nd Presbyterian Church has yet to be made.

Welton has secured permission from a business owner to install the second camera formerly used at the 2nd Presbyterian on top of the business owner's building on Boyle. This camera would provide a westward view on Maryland Avenue.

Cole reported that we have property owners' permission to trim branches obstructing camera views in the alley behind Westminster Place.

Treasurer Report

Wall did not have a written report but stated that there were no unusual payments or bills during the period. All budgeting remains on track with no surprises.

New Business

Hanafi reported that the District's lighting project had received City approval. Hanafi has sent the plan to two electrical contractors for bids. He also discussed

plans to prepare a mailer regarding the project to distribute to residents to solicit their feedback.

Hoffman reported that he would have a discussion in the coming month with Jim Dwyer of CWEN re Taylor Park future expenses and management.

As has been past years practice, it was agreed that the CSSBD should purchase two \$50 gift cards for WEGAP for the two GCI officers who work on Christmas and New Year's Eve. Welton will purchase the cards and give them to Cole.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Arthur Hoffman, acting secretary.