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**Edgewood Civic Association Meeting**

**Monday, October 27, 2008**

**Opening prayer – Mr. Jones- 7:10 pm**

**Roll Call.** Clark, Henderson, Clyburn, Washington, Turner, Christian, present

**Public Safety** – Mike Clark – MPD – not present Mike Clark said: they were invited; 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday PSA 501 meeting at Harry Thomas Rec Cent; we want more police presence; and want camera at 7<sup>th</sup> and Franklin NE; 611 Edgewood Street had 91 repeat calls; also 901 RI Ave NE (73 calls); 601 Edgewood St (65 calls); 4<sup>th</sup> and RI had 60 calls; 59 calls at 1535 3<sup>rd</sup>; so we want more police presence; also 1650 NY Avenue had 57 calls; please attend PSA meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month; have we seen a greater presence? Ted McGinn said he has seen more officers; Michael Henderson said he saw the officers on horseback; Lt. Wright arrived, asked how he could be of service; Lt. Wright said the calls in Edgewood Terrace are often domestic violence and disorderly; 4<sup>th</sup> and RI are often traffic calls, hit and run; the Lt. said he gives a report each month to the chief; calls like shots fired have gone down; planning; resident asked about arrests during domestic violence calls; sometimes; McGinn asked about spikes in person to person crimes this time of year; Lt. Wright said robberies do start to rise; asking foot beats and cars to increase patrols in certain areas where folks walk more; citizens must become more aware; burglaries go up also; we also have a lot of folks from CSOSA; Donetta Clark asked about domestic violence workshop – is it mandatory for anyone? No. resident asked about folks blocking the sidewalk; 3 or more cannot block sidewalk (incommoding); 1835 3<sup>rd</sup> street (7 people left in the building); Lt. has not heard anything, recently has been quiet; there was discussion about enforcing the law; Ms. Clark asked about Larry's alley; Lt. Wright said Larry was involved in a lot of things, no witness has come forth; Mr. Parker invited Lt. Wright to contact him about the domestic workshop because they have many folks available; work with the new management company

**Harry Thomas Ward 5 Councilmember** introduced his daughter); money in the budget for Edgewood; defined planning process; Lt. Wright received the PSA award; Rashidi Christian asked how closely he works with the Dept of Parks and Rec. because none of our teams could use the fields; Councilmember said he will make sure schedule happens in a better way; Ted McGinn asked about gyms and locker rooms; Councilmember said money is in the budget for ; Denise asked about branch trail and why Edgewood was not on the map; Councilmember will make sure it's in there; Henderson asked about the Edgewood Rec center; Councilmember wants to move to building instead of planning and design; wants to have folks from each association to be on the planning committee; maybe have a library as well; HT is missing an actual gym; CM said we should use Catholic University as a resource; DASH ground-breaking planned? Ted McGinn spoke about a standard amenities package process; CM said there has been movement in that direction; next economic summit will address that

**Toby Millman from ABDO Development (Catholic University)** – had a presentation (projector); CUA South Campus Redevelopment; Michigan, RR tracks, Brookland to the East and Edgewood to the south; 8.9 acres CUA currently owns; were 14 applicants ABDO was the one chosen; Monroe will become new retail street; retail will be small mom and pop type shops; there will also be an arts walk; large area for kids to play; large area for musical groups to play; also arts flex building where Edgewood could meet, could be rented out, arts shows there, chamber music concerts, etc; will bridge Brookland with Edgewood; just filed PUD in September; will meet with Edgewood, others for continued feedback; want final plans by end of next year; resident asked who is the managing body; ABDO would be; Ted asked about cultural development corp; Mr. M said they are speaking with them; 8% of total residential area will be affordable housing; Denise asked about the amenities package; Mr. Millman said they have a lot of onsite amenities already, but want to know what Edgewood needs as well; Denise asked about projects for youth; Mr. M said could bring youth programs to the Arts Flex building for example; Mike Clark mentioned the rec centers to update; Henderson asked about having drum circles on location; Mr. M said definitely; they feel they can contribute to rebuilding the Edgewood Rec center; MS. Turner asked about parking; each building will have its own underground parking; retail will have its parking in one public parking garage; Mike Clark said it is a win win situation

Commissioners arriving: Silas Grant ANC5C09; Denise Wright ANC 5C05; Alice Thompson from the mayor's office

**Commissioner Grant said looking to confirm a date for a walk through** starting at Edgewood Rec center going to La Salle Rec Center; maybe that is a template for the rebuilding of the Edgewood Rec;

**Commissioner Wright said SMD meeting Wed Oct29th**, first New Hope Baptist Church 6:30 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> and Seaton

Ted McGinn city wide task force just wrapped up deciding where school crossing guards should go, driven by requests from school principals;

**Development Updates – Mike Clark – St. Martins apartments** is starting construction; watch for no parking signs; Jim Brown 301-493-6000 is on site if you have complaints; Commissioner Grant asked about the construction plans and should the civic association draft a letter to zoning; Mike Clark said let's give them a chance to fix traffic violations first; **Trumbell Crow realty project** – Commissioner Wright will be the contact person; work hours are from 7-7; Comm. Wright said maybe 7-7 is too long; 600 units; eliminated some townhouses; **McMillan reservoir project** – McMillan advisory group; EYA is also involved; have asked for a 1.5 million community endowment; plus other funds; Henderson asked about how the process is proceeding, and how dollar amounts were arrived at

**Elections Process – Rashidi Christian** – Next meeting will have nominations for officers; need nominating committee; nominating committee comes up with slate of officers; 9 officers are elected each year; all are currently filled (we don't see them all the time though); committee has a chair; people are called; officers elected every year; current paid members can be elected; Donetta Clark said folks who have not been active can be removed; Donetta volunteered for committee; Rashidi recommended president appoint folks; Mr. Jones for nominating committee; slate due November 27<sup>th</sup>; Denise volunteered as well. Will read the duties of officers next month as well

Donetta spoke about membership cards – we need them; Rashidi has contacted a printer who offered 50 cards for 60 dollars; they have blue on black; Denise motion to support and 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed to pay for the cards; Donetta also asked about cards; YAZGE is a good printer to use as well. Mike Clark said he thinks the Newsletter is valuable and will continue to publish. Henderson will not be the publisher; they will publish them as a group.

Meeting adjourned

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