

**SNG Board meeting  
October 26, 2016  
7pm Matthews Park**

**7:02 PM Introductions and guests**

**In attendance:** Marne Zafar, Diann Anders, Marilyn Matheny, Ashley Frietag, Laura Murphy, Hannah Epstein, Shell Collins, Peter Fleck, Elina Kolstad, Trish Kirk

**Excused:** Bob Friddle

**Staff:** Kate Sheldon, Doug Wise

**Guests:** Abdi Warsame

**7:03 Consent Agenda**

· No Minutes from October meeting

- **Motion: The Seward Neighborhood Group (SNG) supports the rezoning of 2220 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue South and surrounding properties to allow three and four unit buildings.** Bob Hain moved and Ken Webb seconded. Motion passed. Cam Gordon abstained.

Peter would like to discuss CDC motion. The units are already there, so it made sense to the committee to rezone because the surrounding areas were similar, it would promote the his neighbors to do the same.

· CPP Grant request—ongoing money for 2017 - 2019

**Peter moves to pass consent agenda. Diann seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.**

**7:08 Public Discussion Issues and Guests**

·Abdi Warsame Ward 6 Report

-Islamophobia Town Hall

-Groundbreaking Ceremony for Cedar Riverside Opportunity Center

-Grand Opening of Anishinabe Bii Gii Win House Development

-MPHA Grants Relief to Tenants on Extended Absences

**7:30 Discussion issues & Exec report**

- Nominations Committee report

Marilyn reports on where she's at with nominations. Board bios are coming in

- Taste of Seward/Annual Meeting reminder and Silent Auction request
  - Nasra has resigned and we should do something special in recognition for her at the Taste of Seward
- Board donation request
  - Make the "ask" more obvious at the Taste of Seward
- Blue Sky Meeting discussion
  - "Bigger picture" meetings--how frequently? Let's do Quarterly
- Schedule December meeting
  - Wednesday, December 7th

#### **7:44 Finance Report and Budget Discussion**

- September Finance Report and Budget planning for 2017

Diann explains the projected incomes. Diann asks for questions from the Board--what would they like to know?

What can we do to increase the money that's coming in? -Marilyn

Non-event fundraising committee? Give to the Max day, looking for grants and matching grants, block club leaders, organizing - Elina

Lapsed donors? - Trish

\*\*Put 10% of event income towards advertising; go program by program; event by event--find net and examine each program to determine what is worth it and what isn't\*\*

\*\*Next Blue Sky discussion; go through line by line; need list of events\*\*

#### **8:35 Staff reports—read written reports**

- SNG Community Coordinator
- Housing

**Laura moves. Trish seconds. All in favor.**

#### **8:47 Adjourn and clean up**