**Shandon Neighborhood Council Meeting: May 11, 2020 via Zoom.**

Roll: John Meyers, Deborah Thomas, Buddy Atkins, Steve Augustine, Andrew Clarkson, Lois Elijah, Matt Flach, Rich Horton, Michael Jamison, Martha Johnson, Mike McCauley, Bill McCormick, Catherine Mubarak, Tamra Paschal, Kathleen Warthen. Harrison Greenlaw arrived late.

Agenda was approved by unanimous vote of those present.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

LOCAL OFFICIALS:

Senator Dick Harpootlian was present. Local news: Highway Dept will begin looking at narrowing Harden St. between College St. and Blossom St. Senate Business: tomorrow the Senate will go back in session for a few days. They will go back into session again in September.

City Councilman Will Brennan spoke to the SNC. The City is working toward reopening in a safe way in the coming weeks. He discussed certain developments around the City, specifically the Bull St. development.

County Councilwoman Allison Terracio was present to speak. She was also available via the Zoom comment section during the meeting and by phone anytime.

Candidates for office, Heather Bauer and Rhodes Bailey, introduced themselves. Both are running for House District 75.

Old business: None.

Current balance: Treasurer $11,031.99

Lois Elijah inquired about grant applications that were discussed at the last meeting. John Meyers is in the process of completing the grant applications for submission.

Next event is National Night Out. Debate moving from August to October 6 as recommended by the National Organization. No decision made on which date the event will be.

Crime Watch is ongoing. Per Officer Frier, the number of auto break-ins is this time of year consistent with March and April of last year.

**New business**

1. Demolition of 3426 Monroe St. The DeBackers presented their plans for the new house including demolition. They sought approval of immediate neighbors and are looking for SNC’s support. They answered SNC member’s questions about house plans. Steve Augustine made a motion to authorize SNC to write a letter to DDRC supporting demolition on behalf of the DeBackers. Seconded. Vote. All members voted in favor to send letter in support of DeBackers except Martha Johnson who opposed.
2. Pop-up Bike Lanes. Rich Horton presented. Traffic and Safety Committee met last week. In support of making Shandon more bike friendly and having temporary bike lanes. We are opposed to bike lanes on Devine St. Mike MaCauley read the letter to Mayor Benjamin and City Councilman Will Brennan from Traffic and Safety drafted for all of SNC’s considerations. Motion to send a letter as drafted in support of temporary bike lane. All voting members supported the motion except Lois Elijah.
3. COVID-19. Students living in Shandon are not social distancing. Buddy Atkins is concerned about how this will impact the neighborhood in the fall when USC resumes classes. Motion to send this to Traffic and Safety Committee. Seconded. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned.