

Minutes of Midtown Community Council Meeting

August 14, 2019

3000 C STREET, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

The August meeting was called to order at 12:02pm and the June minutes were approved unanimously.

**Reports of State Officials:** Staff to Senator Elvi Gray-Jackson gave an update on the State Capital Budget, which was considered during the Special Legislative Session. Staff to Representative Drummond gave results of a recent constituent survey. Over 300 responses were tallied; constituents are supportive of funding pre-K education, feel crime is getting worse, and do not support sending prisoners to out-of-state, for-profit facilities.

**Reports of Local Officials:** Assemblyman Felix Rivera gave an update on the Assembly's meetings, including raising the tobacco purchase age to 21 and considering property tax relief for fire-damage. Mr. Rivera invites the Council to comment on In and Out's new ownership.

**Reports of Councils:** The Council's Executive Board discussed the proposed resolution on homelessness and garnering support from other Community Councils.

**Presentations:** Officer Hemesch was unavailable to speak with the Council, but Officer Rae Hart was present. Officer Hart is a beat officer assigned to the MTCC areas; she agreed with the Council's identified "hot spots" for crime. She was available for questions and plans to keep attending meetings.

John Monroe of Anchorage Skates gave a presentation to the Council about the program.

Erin Bradley, Chief Assistant Municipal Prosecutor for the Municipality of Anchorage, gave a presentation.

Amanda Mosier of the Downtown Partnership was in attendance; she did not have a formal presentation, but offered to return next month with one.

**Hearing Notices:** Board Elections are coming up this fall.

In and Out Liquor applied for a license transfer. The current owner's wife will be on the board of the new corporation. The council discussed this transfer; no motions were made regarding this discussion.

Councilmember Tim Potter reports that Mom & Pops is in violation of the MOU that the Council and owner Eddie Lee agreed upon: multiple instances of multiple buys, no bottle markings, no IDing customers, and price points.

**Old Business:** Vice-President Ric Davidge motioned to postpone the September meeting to 9/25 to allow comment from other councils on the Homeless Resolution; the motion was seconded by Secretary Albert Circosta and passed unanimously.

**New Business:** There was no new business introduced.

**Public Comment:** There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 1:18pm.