EASTERN MARKET COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2019

MINUTES

Attendance: Chuck Burger, Vice Chair; Nikki Dean; Monte Edwards, Secretary; Tom Kuchenberg, Treasurer; Jonathan Page; Donna Scheeder, Chair, and Jerry Sroufe were present. Mike Bowers (for Bill Glasgow) arrived at 7:09 P.M., Anita Jefferson arrived at 7:15 P.M., and Angie Brunson arrived at 7:27 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee (EMCAC) was held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 7:00 P.M., in the North Hall of Eastern Market. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Edwards moved the adoption of the agenda. The agenda was adopted.

Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Burger moved approval of the September 25, 2019, regular meeting minutes. The Chair stated that the written remarks made by Ellen Opper-Weiner at the September 25, 2019, meeting regarding the application of an entity, known as Eastern Market Preservation and Development Corporation, for a seat on EMCAC could be attached to the minutes of that meeting. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Report of the Chair

The Chair noted the remaining meeting date for the year, Wednesday, November 20, 2019, and the schedule of meetings for 2020. She also reported that EMCAC is seeking volunteers from its ranks for an EMCAC table at the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's House Expo on Saturday, October 26, 2019, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, in the North Hall.

Introduction of the Awardee of the Strategic Plan Project

Robert Weinstein, Owen Weinstein, and Scott Betz of architrave p.c., the awardee of the RFP for an Eastern Market strategic plan, introduced themselves, provided their contact information for the community, and described initial steps. Katie Basket of the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development was also introduced.

Report of the Capital Improvements Subcommittee

Monte Edwards, Chairman of the Capital Improvements Subcommittee, presented his written report, which is attached to these minutes.

Report of the Tenants Council

Regarding the unresolved issues raised by the Tenants Council in September meeting, the Chair moved that the Market Operations Subcommittee schedule a meeting to consider the policies and procedure at issue and make recommendations to be considered at EMCAC's November meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous consent.

Ms. Jefferson, Chair of the Tenants Council, presented a written report for October, which is attached to these minutes.

By unanimous consent, EMCAC approved the recommendation of the Tenants Council to locate the potential shared ride location on the other side of 7th Street SE on North Carolina Avenue SE.

The Chair urged the Tenants Council and management to commit to meet at a mutually agreeable time and place and discuss in those meetings matters involving individual tenants as well improvements to communications regarding policies and procedures. Barry Margeson, Market Manager, pledged to identity another day of the week to meet that he will be able to attend.

Report of the Market Manager

Mr. Margeson presented a written report of the Market Manager, which is attached to these minutes. He agreed to provide EMCAC preliminary year-end financial information.

Report of the Finance Subcommittee

Mr. Kuchenberg, Chair of the Finance Subcommittee, provided a set of budget inquiries, which are attached to these minutes and in need of updating, and reported that he is working with Mr. Margeson to schedule a meeting regarding the FY2020 budget.

Eastern Market Metro Park Project Update

The Chair reported that the final transportation study is available on the Eastern Market Metro Park Project website. Commissioner Stroufe commented that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B (ANC6B) is not satisfied with the study.

Homelessness in 400 Block of 8th Street SE

Vice Chair Burger noted that the Barracks Row Association formed a task force in cooperation with the Metropolitan Police Department, Community Connections, ANC6B, and the Capitol Hill Business Improvement District to address homelessness that has developed at empty storefronts in the 400 block of 8th Street SE.

By unanimous consent, EMCAC approved Mr. Burger to represent EMCAC on the task force and report developments to EMCAC.

Community Comments and Concerns

Ms. Opper-Weiner inquired about parking.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 P.M.

Monte Edwards, Secretary