

## **Candler Park Conservancy Board Meeting**

September 21, 2022 (7pm)

Virtual Meeting by Zoom

Notes taken by Amy Stout – thank you Amy!

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Present: Doug Wetzel, Amy Stout, Ben Klehr, Stacy Funderburke, Omar Zaki, Scott Lenhart, Dan Hanlon, Perry Smith, Elliott Jones, Lauren Welsh, Jack White

Visitors: Van Jensen, Mark Clement

Absent: Kim Awbrey, John Wolf, Jonathan Flack

### **Motions approved during this meeting:**

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  - Motion to approve minutes from August was adopted unanimously – 10-0-0
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### **Welcome**

- A motion to appoint Van Jensen as General Director for a term that runs through April, 2024 was unanimously approved – 10-0-0
- Pool mural should be done tomorrow.
- There's a new project manager for the kudzu removal project.
- We are waiting until after playground completion to do beaver buddy installation.
- Please sign up for volunteer slots to man CPC booth at FallFest and to assist with Fall Fest 5K. Our booth will be in prime spot at the front entrance. We'll be showing progress on projects in the park and fundraising for the playground.
- We need tables for the end of the race. We might be able to get some from First E. Lauren has one to loan.
- Ben Klehr gave the Governance Committee report. The committee met this month. They are continuing to review candidates for the board. They don't have anyone to propose at this time, but they should in near future. 4 people are rolling off this coming April, and even more will be termed out next year. Please send Ben any suggestions for people to consider.
- Finance – John Wolf not present.

- Minutes – We unanimously approved the minutes from August.
- Amy Stout sent out a Projects Committee report by email prior to the call. She went through the tree plan from Micah and noted suggestions we want to give him. Feedback included:
  1. Move trees out of golf course fairway and locate along Terrace Avenue in the right of way. Consider adding trees near front gates to prevent cars from parking on grass.
  2. Consider adding trees on north side of sidewalk between pool house and Candler Park Dr to shield pedestrians from second tee and replace recent losses.
  3. Consider adding trees along west side of Callan Circle.
  4. Consider adding understory trees by golf course shed to hide it.
  5. Reconsider the line of trees along ravine where there is already a line of 10 serviceberries planted in 2004-2005.
- Jack and Elliott provided additional feedback that will be incorporated:
  1. Don't impede informal walkway that is on west side of Callan Circle and is well-used by residents.
  2. Make sure plantings on steep hillside don't block favored sledding areas.
  3. Plantings on fairway conflict with proposed plan to relocate 6<sup>th</sup> tee, so those should definitely be moved closer to the road.
  4. We don't need additional trees along existing line of serviceberries.
- Stacy Funderburke gave a report for the Development Committee. Their committee met this month as well. The primary topic was fundraising for the playground. He noted that board members need to push out to our networks to get additional funding to close the funding gap. He suggested that we should have the thermometer up at Fall Fest and show pictures of CP Decides projects. We need to make the push for donors.
- Mark Clement asked for QR code for the stage at Fall Fest. He offered to make an announcement during festival.
- Playground: There was a meeting of the playground group yesterday. Also, Dan and Micah and Doug and the Great Southern vendor rep (playground equipment) recently met. It has become clear that the cost is going to be way over the original \$750K. The new estimate is \$995K. This includes everything. There is nothing obvious that we can cut to save \$. When we got the anonymous donor contribution, it short-circuited our fundraising efforts with foundations. We will go back to that. And we will fundraise at Fall Fest. We can try going back to Waterfall Foundation.
- Doug reviewed the timeline. Dan said we are still waiting to see the contract from the vendor, which is pretty important.
- Amir is going to be our councilmember until 2025. Each councilmember has \$2M for discretionary use. We need to follow up with him. We should also reach out to Liliana Bahktiari. She represents Lake Claire. Stacy feels certain we can raise the funds one way or the other.

- Ben suggested that we ask members if their companies donate to non-profits or would support this project.
- We decided to meet in person next month.

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Adopted