June Delegate Meeting June 11 2016

Sponsored by Clayton United Neighbors
Located at 3999 Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO 80205

June 11th – INC Delegate Meeting – Agenda

Location:

8:30am – 9am – Coffee and neighborhood interaction

- Note: We are collecting women’s toiletries and selling handmade cards to support The Gathering Place (TGP) as a charitable drive to help homeless women in Denver.
  - Items include: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, unused hair brushes/combs, baby diapers, baby wipes, unexpired baby food, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, sunscreen, and lip balm (ie Chapstick or other). More info in the body of this newsletter.

9am – Introduction

- Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
- Presentation from The Gathering Place (10 minutes)
- Approval of Minutes from May Delegate Meeting

INC Business

- Monday June 13th City council meeting on short-term rentals and an increase in storm water fees. It is very important that we have a large neighborhood representation for these bills that have been worked on by INC and many RNOs for more than a year. Let’s make sure the city council follows through.
- Denveright planning process – Update on Taskforce participation, schedule, and focus. A request for RNO members to become part of the Denveright Think-tank (50 people who will meet and present once a quarter to advocate for specific items related to Denveright).

Committee Reports

INC New Business

- Discussion of stormwater fee bill to determine delegation preferences for passage, with the intention of presenting the results at the June 13th council meeting on the bill
- Reformation of a special committee to craft a more detailed INC position on affordable housing and homelessness.

Intermission – 10 minutes

Introduction of Diana DeGette, Chuck Norris, and Beth McCann who are all running for positions in the June Primary

Primary Presentation – approx. 30 mins

- Affordable Housing and how INC can work with organizations like the Coalition for the Homeless to find better solutions then the ones our city currently has.
- John Parvensky – CEO of Coalition for the Homeless will present and take questions
The ZAP committee voted to support the following motion, with 26 in favor, 2 opposed and 1 abstention and plans to bring the following motion to a vote at the delegation meeting June 11, 2016.

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From the President

Hello again my fellow neighborhood and city leaders, here we are in Denver 2016; I hope it's going well for you and your communities as we begin the summer. As we take some time, during the Memorial Day weekend, to celebrate the sacrifices and mourn the ultimate sacrifices that our forbearers made to sustain our country, I am writing to tell you that the need for active citizens who are willing to give of themselves to better our city and our nation is as relevant today as it has ever been in our fair city. READ MORE HERE

Public Event Rules & Regulations

This is the first in a series of public announcements that will take place. We will publish more announcements as received.

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Time: 6:00 – 7:30pm
Location: East High School Cafeteria; 1600 City Park Esplanade

If you are concerned about the stormwater drainage project, including the new proposed fees regarding charges for sanitary sewage and stormwater drainage, please send a letter to your council representative expressing your concern and urging your representative to consider other alternatives before voting to approve the ordinance as presented. City Council will review the ordinance CB16-0306 for amending Denver’s Revised Municipal Code on Tuesday, May 31st. If passed the fees would be scheduled to go into effect July 1, 2016. Please copy (cc) execcomm@denverinc.org

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An editorial By Kimberly Morse

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Denver residents need to be aware that this wastewater fee increase will not be spread fairly for...
Here is the website specifically for Emerald Ash Boer efforts in Denver http://beasmartash.org/

This draft was tabled last meeting, please be prepared to discuss if time permits

Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation

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Please open and review, this contains new information and a proposed resolution regarding Storm and Sanitary fees.

June 11 2016 Meeting Reminder

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INC Charity of Choice - Presentation from The Gathering Place -Steve Hartbauer

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Zoning and Planning - Motion regarding parking requirements for 6250 Lot size projects will be discussed and put to a vote of the delegation.

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Intermission – 10 minutes

New Primary Presentation – approx. 1 hr

Formal Question & Answer session regarding Council Bill 16-0306 (A bill regarding sanitary sewage and stormwater service charges), FOUND HERE

Office of Public Works – Representatives will present for ~15 mins and be available to answer questions

Presentation of proposed INC Resolution on the Stormwater Fee, as drafted by the Board of Directors of Denver INC.

INC RESOLUTION RE PROPOSED ORDINANCE CB16-0306

The Newsletter of the Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation
Whereas, Ordinance CB16-0306 provides that:
the proposed $300M increase is the largest wastewater fee increase in the history of Denver and involves the largest bond ever issued by the Wastewater Management Division
residents throughout Denver will be paying an additional $340 per household over the next five years.
the Annual Storm Drainage Service Charge will be increased after Jan. 1, 2021 in perpetuity, without a vote by City Council and
Whereas Denver Public Works contends that the Platte to Park Hill Storm Drainage Plan (P2PH) is the highest priority Denver storm water project and a solution to neighborhood flooding, although:
$1.5B in Storm Drainage infrastructure needs were identified in Denver’s 2014 Storm Drainage Master Plan.
the P2PH project did not exist in Denver’s 2014 Storm Drainage Master Plan and proceeding with this project will delay other fixes identified in the plan.
the P2PH project costs will consume a majority of the fee increase - $200M P2PH of the $300M Wastewater Fee increase
the P2PH project, in contrast to the City’s representations and photos, will provide little to no flood benefit to the majority of Denver residents who are paying for it, including neighborhoods located within the Montclair and Park Hill basins.
according to the January, 2015 MATT Letter of Recommendation, P2PH provides storm drainage primarily for new development: the I-70 expansion, the North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative and the RTD North Metro Rail Line and
Whereas, the INC Delegation passed a Resolution (64 to 1) at its March 12, 2016 meeting expressing grave concern with the P2PH plan and asking the City to more carefully study alternatives
Now Therefore, Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation calls upon Denver City Council in its fiduciary capacity and as trustee of City funds:
to carefully consider the long term implications of a $300 million Storm Drainage Service Charge over the next five years followed by a perpetual increase of such charge thereafter,
to request further study and prioritization for capitalizing the more than $1.5 billion citywide storm drainage infrastructure needs and
to remove the Platte to Park Hill funding from the Storm Drainage Service Charge increase so that needed sanitation projects and regular storm water maintenance can begin without committing the city to a controversial mega-project.
that we take place. We will publish more announcements as received.

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Denver residents need to be aware that this wastewater fee increase will not be spread fairly for infrastructure projects throughout our neighborhoods. A significant portion of the stormwater increase will pay for the Platte to Park Hill stormwater drainage project. The project has been billed as necessary to protect northeast Denver neighborhoods from flooding. Will your house or street in northeast Denver be protected by this completed project? Will your streets on the west side of Denver see relief from this project? The answer is no. In fact, neighborhood stormwater projects may be delayed in order to pay for the Platte to Park Hill project.

**READ ENTIRE ARTICLE HERE**

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