

Please share this with your neighborhood. All our meetings are open to the public. Did you know that if you view this email in your browser, it can be translated to other languages?

[view this e-mail in your browser](#)

 Share

 Tweet

 Forward

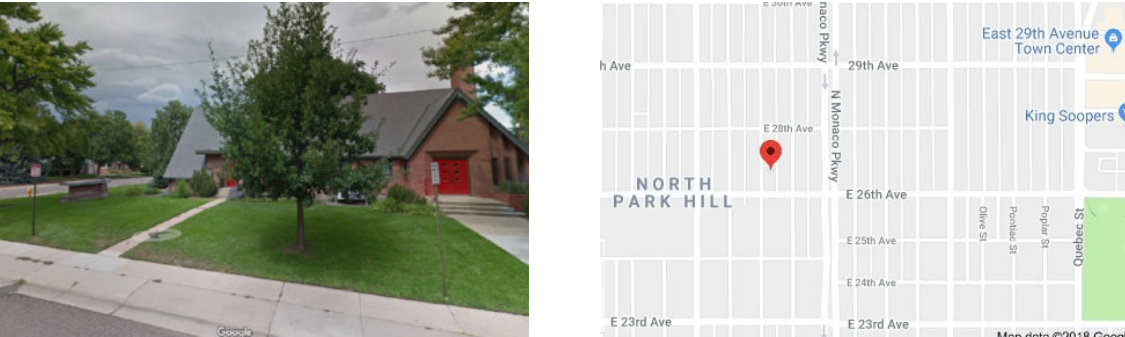


Neighborhoods Work Better When They Work Together

INC Monthly Meeting March 10 2018

Election of Officers

Park Hill Congregational Church, 2600 Leyden St



INC Elections of New Officers & Two Not-To-Be-Missed Special Programs

Agenda:

- 830am Coffee and networking, light breakfast snacks
- 9:00am Appointment of VP position Approval of February minutes
- INC Reports
- Two motions
- Election of Board officers for expired terms President, Secretary, three delegates at large
- Two important programs about Public Policy following the election
- 10:15am Discussion panel regarding the bid to host 2030 Winter Olympics in Colorado – A distinguished panel representing advantages & disadvantages.
- Q/A follows.
- 12:15pm Light lunch hosted by INC
- 1:00pm Park Hill Golf Course Informational "Forum The Future Of Park Hill Golf Course Land"

INC’s Annual Awards Dinner a Big Success

INC hosted its 32nd annual awards dinner on January 31 at the DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton. Over 300 people attended the event. The evening’s master of ceremonies was Andrew Romanoff who heads up Colorado Mental Health and is well-known as Former Speaker of the House. His warmth and charisma enchanted all.

The evening began with our “annual song.” This tradition was begun by Diana Helper who each year writes a clever poem set to music—this year “Oh Dear, What Can The Matter Be”.

Mayor Hancock spoke about growth in Denver and how neighborhoods matter to the City. Carrie Atiyeh, Director of Community Relations, represented Visit Denver and

Ten Neighborhood Stars were recognized for contributing to bettering their neighborhoods and communities by doing such things as raising money for a local school, instituting sustainable measures and tackling neighborhood zoning issues.

INC Neighborhood Stars

- Candi CdeBaca, Cross Community Coalition
- Tracey MacDermott, Greater Park Hill Neighborhood
- Jackie Youngblood, West Highland Neighborhood
- Tim Boers, Highland United Neighbors
- Don Ireland, Cherry Creek III Townhomes
- Janet K. Bardwell, University Park Community Council
- Bridget Walsh, City Park FANS
- Jerry Guida, Inspiration Point
- Pamela Walshe, Virginia Village/Ellis Community
- Kate Adams, Krisana Park

- **Roger Armstrong** was honored posthumously with an INC Outstanding Service Award for his service to CHUN and Denver. Caroline Schomp gave a touching “thank you” acknowledgement on behalf of his family.
- The Bill Gross Memorial Award for Public Safety recipient was **Jill Locantore**, Uptown on the Hill, for her central role in creating the “Vision Zero Coalition.”
- **Congress Park Green Team** was honored with a special Neighborhood Excellence Award for its work in sustainability, energy reduction and cleanup.
- **Bonita Lahey** received “Person of the Year” – Virginia Oredson Memorial Award for over a decade of exemplary service and leadership with South City Park Neighborhood.
- **E. Jane Lorimer** received the President’s Award for her fifteen years of strategic development and dedicated service relative to INC operations.

The evening was capped off with a Lifetime Achievement Award to honor **Margie Valdez**, who has worked tirelessly on innumerable issues that impact all of Denver’s residents.

Dinner Photos are [HERE](#)

MOTIONS FOR MARCH 10 MEETING

[Source Zoning & Planning Committee]

Motion 1:

Associate City Planner Jason Morrison of the Denver Community Planning and Development Department (CPD) (Jason.Morrison@denvergov.org) and City Councilman Rafael Espinoza presented a proposed text amendment to the Zoning Code sponsored by Councilman Espinoza. If passed, it would require CPD to send written notifications by mail of any proposed rezoning to all owners of property within a 200-foot radius of the property proposed for rezoning, both before a Planning Board hearing and the City Council public hearing. This would improve notification to neighboring property owners. Currently, Registered Neighborhood Organizations receive such notice (thanks to the 1979 ordinance sponsored by INC), but some parts of the city do not have RNOs and some RNOs do not have active zoning committees or regular meetings to discuss rezoning. Several cities in Colorado and across the United States have such notification requirements.

A motion to support the proposed text amendment to require CPD to send written notifications by mail of any proposed rezoning to all owners of property within a 200-foot of the property proposed for rezoning

Motion 2:

Analiese Hock from CPD (analiese.hock@denvergov.org) discussed with the committee the progress of the slot-home task force, which has had 10 meetings to date. The task force is well-balanced with representatives from neighborhoods and the development community. A moratorium is in place for new slot home permits and will likely be extended for 2 additional months so that an amendment to the zoning code can be passed to address the problems identified with slot homes, which are:

- Many slot homes do not engage the street or sidewalk with street-level building activities, porches or human entrances that promote interaction with neighbors and ownership of the public realm.
- The siting, setbacks and uses sometimes do not reflect the existing or desired future conditions of the street or neighborhood.
- They often negatively impact the pedestrian-oriented character of the street and sidewalk by visible driveways, parking areas and garage doors.
- Many slot homes do not incorporate human-scale proportions, heights and design elements.

Creek and Capitol Hill neighborhoods. They turn what would normally be their sides to the street. The draft is expected to go to the Planning Board on March 7 and to City Council in May. Heather Noyes, from the Berkeley neighborhood, who is a member of the slot-home task force representing Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation, said that there is an urgent need for neighborhood groups to participate strongly and loudly. She said that some developers and real estate representatives are opposing and trying to delay the proposed ordinance. Details about the slot-home issue, including the draft ordinance, can be found at www.denvergov.org/slothomes. Heather Noyes moved that:

A motion that Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation should support the slot-home amendment as written.

Denver Invites Your Opinion About the Olympic Bid. Please know all questions are mandatory and have to be answered.
Complete the online survey, available at www.wintergameessurvey.org. To take the survey in Spanish, go to www.wintergameessurvey.org/inicio/

Down Load Our Newsletter in pdf format

Minutes from February 10 2018 Delegate Meeting

9:00: Call to Order by INC President, George Mayl Meeting: St Rose of Lima Catholic Church, February 10, 2018 – Snowy Day!

Minutes: 24 Delegates Present

Approval of the January 13, 2018 minutes: 23 in favor, 0 nays, 1 abstain

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation: Joel Noble, Co-Chair

Joel reported on the work of RTD’s Pass Program Working Group, on which he has been representing INC for the past year. The group will recommend a new set of passes to the RTD Board at the end of February. The group is recommending a new youth pass, which expands the existing 50% fare discount for ages 6-19, to be a 70% discount which would be available for fares, day passes, and monthly passes. Schools and municipalities could buy passes on behalf of youth, and potentially layer on their own further subsidy. (What if Denver’s MyDenverCard was a free transit path available to all Denver youth?) The other major move would be the creation of RTD’s first low income fare and pass structure, with the current draft recommendation providing a 40% discount to families under 185% of the federal poverty level. Low-income passes could be purchased by nonprofit and social service providers on behalf of eligible participants, which again could have further subsidy provided by those entities. EcoPass for businesses, colleges and neighborhoods would still be available in similar form as today, with updates to how pricing is determined. Seniors and disabled people will continue to have a 50% discount on fares, as always, and children under 5 with a fare-paying adult will still ride free. The next INC Transportation Committee meeting will be Thursday, March 8th at 1201 Williams Street from 6pm-8pm.

Zoning & Planning: Ean Tafoya, Co-Chair

Ean reported on the upcoming “bundle amendment” regarding 38th and Blake St. and the proposed request to raise the number of floors allowed of upcoming developments. Topic changed to “SLOT HOMES” (multiple units that do not face the street) and their proliferation into neighborhoods. The ZAP Committee meets on the last Saturday of each month from 9am-11am at Cheesman Tower. Next meeting February 24.

Parks & Recreation: Maggie Price, Co-Chair

Maggie reported on the upcoming Park Hill Golf Course Informational Forum to be held on March 10, 2018. Location is Park Hill Congregational Church, 2600 Leyden St. and starts at 1PM. PARC meets at 6:00pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Brookdale University Park, 2020 S. Monroe St. Next meeting is February 20.

Dinner Recap – Jane Lorimer, Co-Chair

290 seated guests, 4 who came for the reception only and 3 who came in by mistake, bought wine and departed. Sponsorships covered the cost of the dinner. Thank you’s to all who volunteered to meet and greet guests, help with set up and special thanks to Loretta Koehler and husband, Steve, for creating the slide show. Acknowledged Jane Potts, last year’s chair, as being the first person at the site to help and only person so far who made suggestions for next year. Most liked the new

Membership – Jane Lorimer, Co-Chair

Reminder that RNO dues must be paid by February 28 in order to run for office and / or to vote at the March 10 annual meeting. We have 60% renewal rate currently. We ended 2017 with 90 RNO members and 34 Associate members

AROUND THE CITY:

- Athmar Parks', Ken Knoblock, discussed GIDs
- Curtis Park’s Joel Noble talked about his neighborhood’s participation in a parking Area Management Plan. In addition to traditional time-restricted residential parking permits, they are also looking for ways to ensure sharing of on-street space with nearby business employees during the day (when residential parking demand is lower), which keeps parking in front of businesses available for customers. He reports that the area management plan approach involves neighborhoods very well, and recommends it to neighborhoods with very high demand for on-street parking from competing types of drivers.
- Larry Ambrose, Sloan’s Lake talked about the multi-story building going across the street from Sloan’s Lake and the disregard the developers have for the surrounding citizens’ requests. Also SL was ground zero for “slot homes” as this is getting the attention of many neighborhoods.
- Ray Defa from West Highland NA talked of 30’ cell towers popping up and this will continue throughout the city. Call your Council Members.
- Susan Payne from Washington Park East reported apathy with the residents and challenges in finding places to meet.
- Anne Elizabeth reported Globeville residents as having trouble with roofers after the hail damage repairs/replacement and the contract language that all need to be wary of.
- Tom Carlon from Green Valley Citizens Adv. Board reported that being in a Metropolitan District, they are the most taxed citizens in Denver.
- Diana Helper of University Park Community Council said she is not against the Olympics coming to Denver. “Just not in my back Yard”.
- Ken from West Washington Park NA reports a lot of work in his area without permits and suggests neighbors talk to each other prior to starting a project.
- Loretta Koehler from Baker reported an uptick in drugs and trying to reach a GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT with the distillery, Chubby Cattle.

Olympic Planning Representatives

George announced that Larry Ambrose and Christine O’Connor are assigned as INC representatives to the Share the Gold committee related to Denver’s bidding on future Olympics to be held in Colorado. The delegates requested this be a topic presented at the March meeting and to take a straw vote about the bid that could shared with the STG meeting at the end of March.

A ***motion*** was made by Chris Chiari and seconded by Jane Lorimer to checking into the possibility of changing our March Annual Meeting (elections) to include the Olympic committee straw vote to be held at the same venue as the Park Hill Golf Course Informational Forum (Park Hill Congregational Church). The motions passed 26 yes, 0 against, 1 abstain. Updates to come. (see PARC report)

Meeting adjourned with special event that followed Warm Cookies Of The Revolution

Warm Cookies- INC Event initiated by Ian Harwick, Co-Chair Membership

Following the delegate meeting, Warm Cookies of the Revolution held a public event from 1130a to 100p. Despite the snowy weather, many of the INC attendees remained and were warmly welcomed. Warm Cookies was started by Evan Weissman and is a “civic health club” that uses quirky public events with speakers, entertainment and warm cookies to fire people up about issues in their community. A civics lesson that’s fun and engaging.

INC

INC PARC NOTES

INC TRANSPORTATION NOTES

INC ZONING AND PLANNING NOTES

INC THANKS ITS 2018 DINNER SPONSORS

Sustaining Sponsor

Visit Denver (Convention & Visitors Bureau)

Gold Sponsors

- BGood Ventures LLC
- City of Denver, Neighborhood Relations
- Denver Health
- Denver Water
- Zeppelin Development

Silver Sponsors

- BNSF Railway
- Colorado Convention Center
- Denver International Airport/Fly Denver
- Xcel Energy

Bronze Sponsors

- LivWell Enlightened Health
- Native Roots Dispensary

Two important programs about Public Policy following the election

FIRST PROGRAM 10:15
Should Denver & Colorado Bid For the 2030 Winter Olympics



Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation (INC), Denver's association of city-wide Neighborhood Organizations will host a critical public policy discussion to evaluate the pros and cons of Colorado's bid for hosting the Winter Olympics in 2030. The event will be held Saturday, March 10, 2018, at Park Hill Congregational Church, 2600 Leyden Street, Denver, CO 80207 beginning at 10:15am. The event is open to the public and all interested citizens are invited to attend.

The panel discussion will address the benefits and risks, advantages and disadvantages associated with a Denver bid for the 2030 Winter Olympics and features a fair balance of speakers representing both sides, followed by ample time for Q/A.

Members of the Exploratory Committee appointed by Colorado's Governor Hickenlooper and Denver's Mayor Hancock will present the case that Denver and Colorado will greatly benefit from hosting the Winter Games and face low financial risks. **In the interests of hosting a robust discussion about this potential bid, INC has invited several prominent leaders to discuss the pros and cons facing any city considering a bid, and in particular Denver.**

Panelists for INC's March 10 Forum:

- Rob Cohen, the Chairman/CEO of IMA Financial, and Chair of the 2018 Exploratory Committee. You can listen to his interview with Ryan Warner on CPR [here](#).
- Jerome Davis, Member of 2018 Exploratory Committee and Co-Chair of the Games Operations sub-committee
- Steve McConahey, Member of the 2018 Exploratory Committee, and Co-Chair of the Finance Sub-committee
- Governor Dick Lamm, who was instrumental in placing the Denver Winter Olympics Referendum on the ballot in 1972, following the awarding to Denver of the 1976 Winter Olympics.
- Chris Dempsey, founder of No Boston Olympics, and co-author with Andrew Zimbalist of *No Boston Olympics: How and Why Smart Cities Are Passing on the Torch*

SECOND PROGRAM 1:00



Community Forum Regarding the Future of the Park Hill Golf Course Land

The open space future of the Park Hill Golf Course (PHGC) land could soon be in jeopardy. The PHGC is located east of Colorado Boulevard between 35th and 40th Avenues.

On Saturday March 10 at 1:00 p.m. there will be an informational community forum regarding the future of the PHGC land at the Park Hill Congregational Church (2600 Leyden St., Denver). Current meeting sponsors are Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation (INC), Greater Park Hill Community, Inc., the Park Hill Village HOA and RNO, The Overlook HOA and RNO, and City Park Friends and Neighbors. The forum organizers are also reaching out to other RNOs in the PHGC vicinity.

In 1997 during the administration of Mayor Wellington Webb, the City of Denver paid Clayton \$2 million for a perpetual open space conservation easement on this 155-acre land parcel. Pursuant to a 2000 agency agreement with the City, Clayton holds title to the PHGC land “as agent of the City, to hold for the benefit of the citizens of the City and the general public.”

Clayton’s PHGC lease with the golf course operator could terminate on December 31, 2018 if the operator fails to exercise its 5-year renewal option by June 30, 2018. If the golf course lease terminates, Clayton is expected to ask the City to relinquish the open space protections of the 1997 conservation easement and the 2000 agency agreement and allow rezoning and development of all or a portion of the land.

Also--as part of the City's Platte to Park Hill drainage project--the PHGC will close in early 2019 for the City to install a stormwater detention facility. If the golf course operator exercises its 5-year renewal option, the golf course would re-open as a golf course in mid-2020. But, if this option is not exercised, the public will face critical issues regarding possible relinquishment of the open space protections of the 1997 conservation easement and the 2000 agency agreement and possible rezoning and development of the land.

The purpose of the March 10 forum is to inform the community about the current PHGC land situation and to engage in substantive discussions about the future of the land. The forum format includes panelists who will make brief presentations and a moderated discussion among panelists and the other meeting attendees.

The moderator will be Tracey MacDermott (Board Chairperson of Greater Park Hill Community, Inc.). Currently scheduled panelists are:

- Brad Cameron (INC)
- Charlotte Brantley (Clayton President/CEO)
- Jeff Romeo (The Overlook HOA and RNO)
- Kevin Doyle (The Overlook HOA and RNO)
- Kathleen Wells (INC)

The forum organizers have reached out to City Councilmen Albus Brooks and Chris Herndon and to Mayor Michael Hancock and his senior staff for participation as panelists. The Councilmen have said they will not be participating and at this date the organizers have received no participation commitment from the Mayor or any senior member of his staff. Active participation of forum attendees will be encouraged.

Download our newsletter in pdf format



INC Current Board of Directors

On March 10, elections for President, Secretary and three Delegates-at-Large will be held. Ian Harwick and Jane Lorimer have indicated they will not run for re-election. A delegate representing an RNO whose dues are paid by February 28, 2018 may run for any of the open Board seats. If you intend to run, please advise president@denverinc.org.

Officers/Board 2017

President George Mayl president@denverinc.org Open For Election March 10
Vice President To be appointed
Treasurer Steve Nissen treasurer@denverinc.org
Secretary open secretary@denverinc.org Open For Election March 10
Delegate-at-Large Hank Bootz Boardmember_4@denverinc.org
Delegate-at-Large Drew Dutcher Boardmember_5@denverinc.org
Delegate-at-Large Ian Harwick Boardmember_1@denverinc.org Open For Election March 10
Delegate-at-Large Loretta Koehler Boardmember_2@denvrinc.org Open For Election March 10
Delegate-at-Large Jane Lorimer Boardmember_3@denverinc.org Open For Election March 10

Committee Chairs

Budget Chair
Open
budget@denverinc.org

Membership Co-Chair
Ian Harwick
membership@denverinc.org
Membership Co-Chair
Jane Lorimer
membership@denverinc.org

Parks & Rec (PARC) Co-Chair
Cindy Johnstone
parksandrec@denverinc.org
Parks & Rec (PARC) Co-Chair
Maggie Price
parksandrec@denverinc.org

Transportation Co-Chair
Geneva Hooten
Transportation@denverinc.org
Transportation Co-Chair
Joel Noble
transportation@denverinc.org

Zoning & Planning Co-Chair
Ean Tafoya
Zoning & Planning Co-Chair
Charles Nadler
zoningplanning@denverinc.org

INC Newsletter

The newsletter is compiled by volunteers on a monthly basis. The newsletter is distributed by email to all who sign up for it online. You are welcome to make

INC Seeks Person to Manage Operations and Person to Support Website

Per hour contract available for the right person to manage membership records, support meeting planning

This email was sent to <<Email Address>>
[why did I get this?](#) [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)
Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation · P.O. Box 300684 · Denver, CO 80218 · USA

