

SDCA Membership Meeting 9/17/2015

I. Call to Order

19:06 at the Thurgood Marshall Center

Present: Sterling, Lawrentz, Radee, Fellman, Ferris, Rozeira de Mariz, McKay, Rotz, Page

Guests: Monique Fortenberry (formerly of Q-R/6th) and Danielle Pierce

A quorum was determined to be present.

II. Secretary

All outstanding membership meeting minutes were approved by unanimous acclamation.

III. Treasurer

Treasurer Guy Podgornik gave the Treasurer's report, available to members upon request, which included the receipt of membership dues from members.

IV. ABRA Committee

Left Door (CT w/o entertainment): Unfortunately Tom Brown is unavailable to be here tonight, but his friend Danielle Pierce is here to answer any questions. He had Queueing is prohibited. 45 ppl. Full hours. No plans for a roof deck. SDCA spoke with Tom Brown in early spring 2015 about his plans, but he started a VA with ANC 1B and not SDCA. SDCA wants to be party to a VA with Left Door.

Moved: To protest the Left Door ABRA licensing in order to get standing at ABRA. (Ferris; Lawrentz 2d.)
Motion passes.

Calendar: Hearing 10/5, Protest 12/9

District Distillery (CT w/entertainment): Elwyn presented updates about District Distillery. MHNA and ANC 2F are also protestants.

Tico (CR): Mediation session tomorrow (9/18) on expanded hours. Elwyn will be representing. SDCA's position is that as the sole other signatory to this binding contract, we don't agree to the change and the ABC Board should deny their substantial change at the status hearing. (Precedent: ABC Board's Satellite Room rejection of expanded hours via the same mechanism.) Status hearing 9/30.

Aileen Johnson for ABC Board: Joan and Elwyn presented updates on neighborhood activist's Aileen Johnson's application to the ABRA board. The mayor is supposed to present her recommendations on 9/22, and the council will discuss the appointments on 10/3.

Noise Legislation: Joan updated the membership on her meetings with Vincent Orange's staff on nightlife noise legislation.

Bar Pilar (CT): Elwyn reported that Bar Pilar is applying for a summer garden somewhere on the top of the building.

V. Design and Development Committee

Zoning Update: Joan summarized the new zoning regs are out. She outlined some controversial elements

Moved: That SDCA send a letter to DCOZ, the Office of the Mayor, and the Council to object to controversial elements in the ZRR. (Sterling; Lawrentz 2d.) Motion passes.

13/U BID: Joan updated the SDCA membership about the 13/U BID. The 13/U PUD monies were supposed to be used exclusively to the betterment on the immediate 13/U area and Harrison and Garrison schools. Now, the PUD monies have been diverted to employ a 13/U BID guy who is extending the BID down to MidCity.

MidCity Artists: Mary and Elwyn led a discussion about how to re-engage children, artists, and the city over the 14th Street Arts Overlay.

VI. Other Business

Garrison School: Caroline summarized a meeting between Garrison school and MHNA, SDCA, DCCA, Westminster association, other parents, and Brianne Nadeau's staff at the Thurgood Marshall Center in August. A reporter from the Post was present. Total 25-30 people. LCCA was absent. Everyone was given an assignment to do in support of (1) keeping Garrison open, (2) pushing for monies, and (3) planning and executing the renovation.

Moved: That SDCA draft and send a letter of support for Garrison to the Council and the Mayor. (Rozeria; Radee 2d.) Motion passes.

X. Adjournment

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Next meeting: Thursday 10/15/2015