Golden Triangle Creative District
July 11, 2019 Board Meeting
MINUTES
3PM – Denver Public Library, Gates Meeting Room (5th floor)
10 W 14th Ave.

BOARD ATTENDEES:
Kate Barton, Kristy Bassuener, Aaron Coburn, Pete Dikeou, Rachel Fewell, Gerald Horner, Sydney Ilg, Rhonda Knop, Stephanie Kroll, Eric Lazzari, Laura Liska, John Mosely, Sonia Rae, Morgan Russo, Walter Simon, Brent Snyder, Byron Zick

PRESENT BY PHONE:
NA

NOT PRESENT:
Jeannene Bragg, April Chase, Tracy Kontrelos, CM Wayne New, Mark Shaker, Mickey Zeppelin

GTCD STAFF:
Jennifer Larsen

GUESTS:
Commander Aaron Sanchez, and Officers David Albi, Teresa Gillian and Alicia Harris from Denver Police District 6; Mark Baker, Daniel Brigman and Tony Fortunato from the Denver Art Museum; Evan Dreyer with Denver Mayor’s Office; Carli Seeba with the Kirkland Museum; Anne Pharamond from Studiotrope, and neighborhood residents Trenda von Rochsburg and Rebecca Stevens

Welcome | Call to Order (K. Bassuener/B. Synder)
K Bassuener called the meeting to order at 3:03PM
Welcome to guests and Board members

MOTION: Approve June 2019 Board meeting minutes.
Passes unanimously.

Denver Police District 6 update
(Commander Aaron Sanchez, and Officers David Albi, Teresa Gillian and Alicia Harris)
- District 6 had a rough month in June
  - Available staffing down: 8 younger officers injured during one weekend on own time
  - Domestic officer injuries during arrest/aggravated assaults
- Neighborhood Watch
  - District 6 would like to expand program to apartment and condominium buildings
- Homeless Outreach Team (No Camping ordinance)
  - If individuals are camping, Police can contact camp, to clean up and move on. Once individuals begin to pack up they are in compliance with No Camping ordinance.
  - If individuals are just hanging out, no violation.
  - If whole sidewalk blocked, Police can make contact.
- DP is working with the City Attorney’s Office for a new ruling on the 3 steps DP need to take once contacting an individual (3 steps – verbal notice, written notice, citation).
- DP is increasing bicycle officer staffing for neighborhood outreach.
- Focus is on getting resources to people.
- DP District 6 suggestions for residents, businesses and organizations
  - Sign a private property no trespassing agreement. This will allow DP to enforce private property trespassing concerns without contacting the owner. Contact DP to obtain form. No trespassing signs need to be purchased and installed by property owner – see form for sign requirements/specifications. Note: Property owners can legally dispose of items left on their property.
  - District 6 Officers are available to walk the neighborhood with GTCD to identify businesses that don’t currently have a no trespassing agreement.
  - Document concerns:
    - Call 911 in an emergency situation (stop a crime, report a fire, save a life)
    - Call the non-emergency line (720) 913-2000 for all other concerns
    - Call 311 or access the 311 Help Center online to document non-emergency concerns
    - Note: photos/videos documenting concerns are helpful
  - Register bicycles to assist in the recovery and return of bicycles to their owners in the event of a theft. Go to Denver Police website to register.
  - Participate in Neighborhood Watch program. Go to Denver Police District 6 webpage for information.
- Neighborhood drug use
  - Denver Police is aware of drug distribution and use in the neighborhoods and are addressing in a number of ways.
  - Mayor’s Office is working on proactive measures.
    - Employing substance abuse navigators (City staff)
    - Completing fundraising for 400 transitional housing vouchers
  - Report drug dealing to DP – contact District 6 Community Resource officers. Videos are helpful, photos, time of day, descriptions of individuals and behavior.

**Denver Public Library update (R. Fewell/Anne Pharamond)**
- Elevate Denver Bond renovation plans for the Central Library
  - Denver Central Library received $38M from the 2017 Elevate Denver Bond fund
  - Studiotrope chosen as the design team for renovations
  - Intention is to preserve integrity while increasing safety and comfort. Open up lower level with better visibility. Work towards library model of consume and create. Library viewed as a community hub. Retail spaces expanded (café, bookstore, and other draws to building).
  - Design process has begun. Next community meeting will be in the Fall. Goal for beginning of construction is 2020. Four-year time period for completion. Library will stay open during construction.
  - Library will fund raise an additional $12M to cover all desired improvements. Renovation specifics include:
    - Delayed maintenance items addressed. Elevators will be replaced early, maybe Fall. Escalators will be replaced with stairs.
    - Public restrooms all redone.
    - Central hall will see the biggest changes. Area will be activated with things for people to do–displays, seating, etc.
    - New vestibules at entrances to help with thermal issues
    - New café open to Broadway. Will help bring people in.
    - Bump out first floor rotunda
    - Views to Civic Center Park enhanced. Large glass windows floor to ceiling will replace existing windows.
    - Nighttime access to programming space
    - Change in circulation patterns throughout the building
- Exterior: Outdoor children’s play area added, North lawn gathering space enhanced, trees added on Broadway side, café outdoor presence, add exterior space on Acoma Plaza

GTCD Budget and Membership Update (R. Knop/S. Ilg)
- Current financials (see Board packet)
- Current membership
  - New Membership Committee members needed
  - GTCD member stickers distributed to businesses
  - Rhonda is reaching out to Torchy’s contact
- P.S. You Are Here grant – no update

GTCD Fundraiser (Executive Committee)
- Save the date: Thursday, October 10, 5:30-9:00 pm. Items secured:
  - The Church Nightclub
  - Cirque DJ/entertainment
  - Libby Live Auctions
- Need to decide on the event name
- Food/beverage lead needed
- Kick off meeting to come (asap)
- Silent auction donations – everyone needs to work on this
- Fundraising/attendance goals: 200 guests and $30K raised
- Start sharing information (website, newsletter, social media)

Final Fridays (FF Planning Committee)
- Final Friday/Events Committee (J Mosley)
  - July theme: A Walk Through History
    - Dennis Humphries willing lead a history walking tour
    - History Colorado is the host location
  - August theme: Fitness, Wellness & Recreation
    - The Spot is the host location
    - DDP will lead a 5280 Bike Loop tour
    - Outdoor yoga at Clyfford Still (Eric will reach out)
  - September theme: Tasting Tour
    - Broadway Market will be the host location
    - Suggestion to put out a call on social media for participants
    - Participants need to be at the $300 member level or above
- Consider a mural tour of Broadway alley
- Future of Final Fridays: Conduct survey at end of season

- Colorcon – Recap and Debrief (S. Ilg)
  - Financials: Received $14,700 in cash, expenses were $14,420. In kind donations $11K.
  - All art supplies donated by Meininger
  - Ratio Beerworks donated 300 servings of beer
  - 2500+ attendees
  - 17 artists: 10 contracted, 7 surprise/drop in artists
  - Only $300 spent on design and printing services
  - Media coverage included: Westword, 303 and 5280 magazines, and a Channel 7 TV spot
  - 300% growth rate on Facebook and Instagram pages
  - Established Denver tours have started to bring people through the Colorcon alley
  - Social media plug for GTCD (If you liked Colorcon...)
  - Have 600 email addresses we can add to the GTCD contact list
  - Will need committee help moving forward
  - Future alley to consider for mural event: next alley west, also Broadway between 11th/10th, alley behind The Spot
Neighborhood Improvements Updates (S. Ilg/M. Shaker)
- Project updates
  o Creating a 5-year working plan based on recently adopted Strategic Plan
  o Focus on bike lane project for the Mayor’s next term

Committee Reports – 20 min.
Executive Committee updates
- Have reached out to incoming District 10 Councilperson Hinds
- Strategic Plan (public facing version) is ready for review
- Zoning Public Forum:
  o Next committee meeting is July 18, 3-5 pm
Golden Triangle Business Network
- See committee report document for updates
Governance Committee
- 10 Board member terms are ending in Feb 2020. All are eligible for another term. Gerald will reach out to those members regarding another term. All have valuable institutional knowledge.
- Would like to recruit more residents to the Board. Request current Board members approach potential new Board members. Needed skill sets include fundraising, membership, etc. for GTCD.
Community Affairs
- Pet Stations: wrapping up photography
- Business Directory: revised format, Marketing Committee has been asked to review and provide feedback
Events Liaison Committee
- There will be some road closures around Civic Center Park over the weekend into Monday for the Wonder Woman 5K/10K and the Mayoral inauguration.
Marketing Committee
- See committee report document for updates
Urban Design Committee
- No updates, no July meeting

New/Old Business
- Lawn concert at Clyfford Still Museum on July 19, 5:30-7:30 pm
- Greek Theater now fully open, celebrating 100 year anniversary

Adjourn
K. Bassuener adjourned meeting at 4:48PM