

PAC3 Minutes

Regular Meeting February 9, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of Partners Against Crime, District 3 was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Community & Family Life Recreation Center at Lyon Park, Co-facilitator Mary Davis being in the chair. Minutes submitted by Alice Breeden, acting Secretary.

Introduction of Members Attending	Attending members and guests introduced themselves.
Action on Agenda/Minutes from last meeting	Agenda presented with no changes being requested. Minutes accepted as submitted.
Programs	<p>Robin Baker, Durham <i>Budget Engagement Coordinator</i>, gave an update on the Durham participatory budget process (PB). Since its launch PB Durham has engaged over 3,000 Durham residents at community events, festivals, PB Jam Sessions, and online. During the first ever idea collection phase, City of Durham residents and students submitted over 500 ideas on how to spend \$2.4 million dollars to improve their community. The most popular use of funds were streets and sidewalks, parks and recreation, and safety and environment. A 15 member Committee of Budget Delegates appointed by the Council from a list of volunteers will evaluate ideas including a cost assessment. Final projects will be displayed to the public in March. The public will vote in a ward-based selection process carried out in May. Winning projects to be announced in June. Go to pbdurham.org for more information or follow on Twitter @PBDurhamNC, Facebook, and Instagram.</p> <p>Ashley Shults from GoTriangle discussed the Light Rail Project. The cost impact of the proposed underground solution for downtown is being assessed with estimates running at additional cost of \$80 to \$100 million. Duke University is expressing concerns about road, noise, and vibration impacts around the hospital. The Council will make decision in upcoming months. The federal funds must be committed by December 31, 2019 with an April 30, 2019 deadline for the identification of local funds.</p>
Treasurer's Report	The Executive Committee brought the spending of funds for a deer camera for the District 3 Police Department to utilize for surveillance on private property to the residents for a vote. After discussion, the vote was put off and the Treasurer agreed to work with the NIS Department to clarify requirements and history regarding the expenditure of PAC funds.
Department and Organizations Reports	<p>Captain Bond reported that violent crime in the District was down 24% in the last 28 days for the period ending February 2, 2019. The full report is posted at durhamnc.gov/719/Crime-Statistics.</p> <p>Officer Mock brought handouts of safety tips. She reminded the attendees that COPS provides vacation coverage and residents should submit a residential patrol request. She announced a business workshop in April.</p>

	<p>Laura Biediger, Neighborhood Improvement Services, reviewed the Neighbor Spotlight Program. She reminded the attendees of the Neighborhood Matching Grants program.</p> <p>Capt Kim Lane of the Sheriff’s Department reported on a three month long investigation that resulted in a drug trafficking raid. She also reported that the Sheriff’s Department escorted children to the post office to mail Valentines.</p> <p>Dee Spellman, Department of Parks and Recreation announced upcoming events: Fishing at Lake Michie Lifeguard Training for age 16 and above</p> <p>Carol Baldwin reported on the Citizen Capital Improvements Panel. This panel has two objectives: provide community input regarding capital improvements presented for approval in the budget, Monitor approved projects implementation with regard to timeline and cost. The panel meets on Tuesday mornings once per month. One project of interest to PAC3 is the scheduled bathroom rebuild at Lyon Park.</p>
Unfinished Business	We continue to have open positions on the Executive Committee.
New Business	No new business.
Announcements	Next meeting is March. PAC3 Elections are in April.