

WeCAN General Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

6:00-7:00 pm

Agenda

Call to order: 6:03

6:00-6:10: Denver Police District 1, Community Resource Officer, L. Desteffanie

- Bob is gone this week
- Doing newsletters now instead of crime maps
- Last week has been really good
- 75% of thefts from motor vehicles either unlocked or items are visible – best way to prevent crime
- Coming upon season of package thefts – porch pirates are a concern. Please do what you can to harden your target. Take option to have items delivered to work. Cases of thieves following FedEx delivery trucks.
- Be careful with puffers. Don't leave your car unattended to warm up.
- CAG meeting on Monday, November 19th at District 1 station at 6:00pm. Dinner is provided.
- Please report crimes on Nextdoor, as police do not see it.
- Chief Pazen is committed to transparency. Don't have time to post every crime in the district
- DPD has a social media presence, but limited – get information out on major crimes and trends

6:10-6:15: Announcements

- WeCAN year-end party on December 10th 5-7pm at Brew Culture Coffee
- No December General Meeting, see you January 8, 2019
- WeCAN Running Club meeting every Monday, 6:30pm, at Seedstock Brewery
- Vote in the 2019 WeCAN Board of Directors
 - Leah moved
 - 2nd by Mary
 - Unanimous vote
- Rose Lady passed away

6:15-6:30: Dan Shah, Director of West Colfax BID

- Happy hour at 29th at Little Man ice cream: 5:30pm – 7:30pm
- In process of getting multi-colored bus shelters lit with Xcel grant
- Working to improve maintenance of median sculptures
- Two projects that will be discussed at happy hour:
 - Over the Colfax Clover – recently had developer forum on a public-private partnership to redevelop 29 acres. Looking at different options to rebuild and are now working with a new engineering firm. Discussion on new alignments and curvature (called “Federal West”)

- Intersection of Holden/14th – proposing short-term signage and accented/raised cross walks to make the intersection safer, as well as flashing beacons. In the engineering phase now. Not a large financial investment. Vetting with Public Works now.
- Will have information about Colfax improvements funded by the GO Bond. City has been a little slow in dispersing information for community review and comment.
- More information on projects at West Colfax BID website.

6:30-6:35: Niabi Hart, Program Coordinator for Mile High Youth Corps

- Speaker was Xavier Jennings, Program Coordinator (has been at Corps for 9 years). Niabi couldn't make it.
- Located at 18th and Federal
- Wanted to share that provide programming for young people, aged 18-24
- Provide employment and education. Hire year round in vocational tracks. Youth Build targets those who didn't finish high school. Jobs include construction and other areas. Earn a living stipend. Once complete the program, earn Americorps scholarship award for post-secondary education.
- Have a land conservation track in parks and on fire-fighting crew.
- Energy and water conservation program - youth go into homes in Denver Metro, targeting low-income families, to promote efficiency and help save money, as well as conservation
- Hire 200 people per year, from all over
- Partner with Community College of Denver

6:35-6:45: Michael McKee, wind chime installation along Lakewood Gulch

- Project was first presented in February 2016
- Have completed several studies and finally got green light
- Wind chime sound installation in Dry Gulch park between Sheridan and Federal
- Have to attach to bridges and disk golf tee boxes
- Please look out for vandalism, and in those cases message Helicopter Copter
- Project is a 6-month temporary installation, intended to call attention to the Homeless population
- Installing on December 15th
- 30 individual chimes

6:45-6:55: Neighborhood Feedback

- Email ideas to admin@wecandenvr.org

Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm