

TRRG Board meeting of February 4, 2016

Members Present: Ruth Beeker, Oscar Gandy, Don Ijams, Barbara Lehmann, and Bonnie Poulos

A number of items from the agenda were discussed in the absence of a quorum.

For informational purposes, TRRG Treasurer Barbara Lehmann indicated that the current balance was \$780.77.

Margot Garcia spoke to the Board during a Call to the Audience. She read from a distributed copy of a request to TRRG to write a letter of protest for the April 19th Mayor & Council meeting regarding the Broadway Project, and plans for acquisition and demolition of properties. After discussion, Ruth agreed to send a message to the Board seeking recommendations for the Board's response to the request for a letter.

Questions were raised about the degree to which the Broadway Task Force could be considered a workable process involving the public. This was seen to be particularly difficult with regard to the problems involved in working with "transportation engineers" and their approach to transportation design and evaluation. It was also suggested that there might be need for professionals serving as aids to public involvement could provide warnings about conflicts and barriers to meaningful agreements.

There was discussion about making plans for the annual meeting.

The discussion included the assignment of responsibilities, and difficulties that might arise because some people were not going to be in town. Don Ijams will manage meeting registration with online software, and Ruth Beeker will manage food donations.

Discussion ensued about the allocation of time during the meeting. Ruth will develop reports on collaborations and relationships with the Manager and OIP, to the extent that OIP will exist in the future.

Don and Kris Yarter will provide the Code Enforcement report.

Ruth will provide a review of activities related to BCCs. Board members were particularly interested in how transparency regarding current discussions in the group organized by the City Manager would be provided.

There was some discussion about the nature of information regarding the efforts of the Task Force on Public Participation in M&C Meetings that should be distributed to the membership in advance of the Annual Meeting. Ruth distributed copies of a research report on "Public Participation Opportunities" in Arizona.

Questions remain about the manner in which the membership would be invited to participate in shaping the future directions of the organization in the areas presented during Meeting.