

**Arcadia Neighborhood Association
Community Board Meeting - Minutes
Arcadia Elementary School Library
January 24, 2018**

- 1) **Call to Order:** 6:33pm
- 2) **In Attendance:** Board members: Jeff Carroll, Rex Brueggemann, Courtney Roberts, Paul Schneidenbach. Other attendees per sign in sheet
- 3) **Housing Inspector Report** (Yvonne Wright): Upon ANA request, the City has agreed to hire a contractor to repair the retaining walls along W. Michigan at City expense. One property on each of Eldridge and Westfall are in active violation proceedings; updates at next meeting. Attendees voiced concern about the fence at 2618 W. Michigan (where the green house was torn down); owner must pull permits to rectify by February 25.
- 4) **Safety Report** (Officer Vandenberg): Officer Vandenberg not in attendance. No attendee comments.
- 5) **October-December 2017 Minutes Approval:** All approved, no edits or objections.
- 6) **Meeting Day Change Confirmation:** Third Tuesday of the month starting in February 2018
- 7) **Community Vote:** A motion was made to accept Hans Engelke's board resignation after 25 years of community service, and to add Grace Gheen and Courtney Roberts to the ANA board. Motion passed all in favor, without any board or attendee objection.
- 8) **Committee Reports**
 - a) Open Space Committee (Chairman Rex B.) – Rex in conjunction with Doug Williams (former ANA president) reports that the number of units to be built in Waldon Woods' five phases of development reconcile with planning documents. However, the City Planner did confirm that development has taken place on some of the 20 acres of Basswoods that were to be preserved per planning documents. It is noted that these woods are one of only two remaining Basswood stands in Michigan. Rex and Doug await a map from the City outlining the boundaries of the development, Basswoods and other properties to understand where master plans have not been followed.
- 9) **Meeting Reports**
 - a) Commissioner Knott, City Planner, City Zoning Administrator, Community Activator J. Carroll, H. Engelke, D. Anderson, R. Brueggemann (415 Stockbridge, 1pm Dec. 19, 2017): The City was made aware of community's objection to the conversion of the properties along the north side of West Michigan (between Farrell & Eldridge) from single family to up-to medium density housing via the 2025 Master Plan. The neighborhood can reverse the change via the Arcadia Neighborhood Plan which will amend the Master Plan.
 - b) City Neighborhood Activator, J. Carroll (Jan. 23, 4p, Coexist Cafe): J. Carroll met with City representatives to learn about the neighborhood planning process.
 - c) Tim Housler conversation: Rex B. met Mr. Housler by chance at one of his establishments and asked him about the 4 contiguous properties he owns along West Michigan in Arcadia. Rex was told there are plans to redevelop the properties in 2019.
- 10) **Neighborhood Planning Process:** Katie Reilley and Amanda Cockcroft from the City Planning Department outlined the neighborhood planning process with the audience.
- 11) **Next Meeting:** February 20 (changed to 3rd Tuesday of Month)
- 12) **Adjourned:** 8:10pm