

HISTORIC URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS OF INDIANAPOLIS (HUNI)
QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, August 1, 2019
Indiana Landmarks, 1201 Central Ave

Attendees: Garry Chilluffo, President and Editorial Board; Glenn Blackwood, President-Elect, Editorial Board and Fletcher Place; Jordan Ryan, Secretary, Editorial Board, North Square; Sharon Butsch Freeland, Editorial Board, and Individual Member; Marjorie Kienle, Editorial Board, Past President, and Individual Member; Julia Pratt, Editorial Board, Individual Member; Lorraine Vavul, Editorial Board, Historic Meridian Park, and Past President; Beth Whitaker, Bates-Hendricks; Shawn Miller, Chatham Arch-Mass Ave; Jill White, Cole-Noble; Joan Hostetler, Cottage Home; Nancy Bain, Cottage Home; Molly Jafford, Cottage Home; Janet Fry, Fayette Street; Dawn Olsen, Fletcher Place; John Hornberger, Garfield Park; Linda Simmons, Garfield Park; Katherine Carlton Robinson, Herron-Morton Place; David Hittle, Holy Cross; Bryce Mosey, Lockerbie Square; David Parkhurst, Old Speedway City; Mark Godlet, St. Joseph; Lora Teagarden, Woodruff Place; Elizabeth Biggio, Woodruff Place; Tom Abeel, Woodruff Place; Tim Harmon, Guest; Chad Lethig, Indiana Landmarks; Speakers, Meg Purnsley and Elizabeth Nowak, IHPC, Speaker Bob Schultz, Downtown Indy Inc.

President-Elect Glenn Blackwood called the Quarterly Meeting to order at 5:38pm. Attendees introduced themselves and the neighborhoods and/or other organizations they represented.

Guest Speakers:

Bob Schultz - [Downtown Indy Inc.](#) - Shining a Light on Indianapolis Project Monument Circle project using funds from the Lilly Endowment's Strengthening Indianapolis Through Arts & Culture grant. LED lighting to focus on the Monument with themes like patriotism, holidays, and thematic celebrations. Brief programming each night. This will not be an opportunity for advertising or logos. IPL, Emmis, Columbia Club, and Monument Circle require some infrastructure changes to accommodate the LED technology. Eight light poles will be replaced and a speaker system will be attached, to play audio and music. Content will be curated from numerous civic, cultural and arts institutions.

Flyer: http://files.downtownindy.org/pdf/1550596905_Shining-A-Light-DII.pdf

9/10/2019: Public awareness launch

11/9/2019: Light show premiere, around 5:30-7pm

Meg Purnsley - [Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission](#) - Preserve Indy Initiative
Preserve Indy Initiative is a project to update all 17 of the locally protected historic district plans, originally created from the 1970s to 2013. There is an opportunity to take a closer look at the plan to see what's missing and what's working; consult with each neighborhood to see what their needs are for each plan. The updated plans will be more user-friendly for online use. IHPC sees an opportunity to update plans along with the bicentennial 2020 agenda, the new Marion County Land Use Plan, and new initiatives with equitable transit-oriented development. IHPC is developing a common plan in 2019-2021, which will apply to all preservation and conservation districts, in addition to the unique neighborhood plan. Individual district plans will be updated 2021-2024. There will be a public hearing process since revisions have to be approved by the commission. The individual plan revisions will also go through the public hearing process. Plan revisions do not require 75% owner support, like the original plan adoption process. IHPC hopes to add more information like inventory photos and underrepresented history to the house histories. On a side note, IHPC has worked with MIBOR to get real estate database technology, Realist, to note IHPC districts in individual listings to assist realtors in identifying all 7,000+ IHPC properties. And IHPC now has an online COA application.

Indiana Landmarks - HUNI - Mayoral Forum - 9/19/2019

The Mayoral Forum will be at Indiana Landmarks from 5:30-7:30pm, on Thursday 9/19.

INDOT/CSS Workshops:

Marjorie - Neighborhoods have been invited to participate in CSS Round 2 meetings, based on comments from the initial CSS meetings. Input is critical now.

Meeting dates and more information available at link:

<https://northsplit.com/css/css-workshops/>

Presentation:

<https://northsplit.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/public-workshop-2-presentarion.pdf>

Example of the comment booklet:

https://northsplit.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/PDT_Feedback-Booklet.pdf

Joan Hostetler - Indiana Album

Thousands of photographs acquired from scan-a-thons. The project is statewide, but they are most interested in Indianapolis photos for the bicentennial.

Indiana Landmarks talk on 9/5/2019 at 5:30

Minutes Approval: Lorraine motioned, Marjorie seconded

Editorial Board Report - Lorraine:

Please send all neighborhood updates to Lorraine to add to the website.

New Business/Announcements:

None

Neighborhood Reports:

Herron Morton: Oktoberfest 9/28 3-9pm

Historic Meridian Park: Mini-golf women's group started; Fall Festival

Old Speedway: Construction on Main Street, including apartments and hotels; monthly membership meetings; getting ready for upcoming municipal elections; membership numbers growing; Garage sale 9/13-9/14; Candidate forum for 10/7 for local offices in the Speedway town council

St. Joseph: National Night Out 8/6; board reviewed plans for Fuseks Hardware store moving and expanding to 1000 block of Pennsylvania St.; Leah Orr's former residence on Alabama may be a coffee shop

Bates-Hendricks: Street Fest 8/3

Fletcher Place: NNO 8/6; Yard sales 9/7; Picnic 9/15

North Square: NNO 8/6; hip hop fest 8/24; psych fest 9/6-9/7; buzzcut 9/7; red line music performances 9/7; square cat vinyl + indygo bus performance videos out now; art squared 9/21; nightmare on elm street 10/26

Garfield Park: Children's garden behind the GP Conservatory; Beatles tribute band and fireworks 9/1; Garfield Park discussing becoming a historic district; farmers market every Saturday thru October; Opera in the Park 9/8; Shakespeare in the Park 8/16 thru the end of August

Cole-Noble: Collaborating with Market East; primarily business association, only two residents in the association; Milhaus progressing with Washington & East St apartment complex

Woodruff Place: NNO 8/6; general meeting 9/9; Arsenal 5-K Run 9/21; Fountain Ball 9/21 for fountain restoration

Cottage Home: block party 10/12; Fundraiser for project Leah 9/22; neighborhood summit in spring 2020, planning process underway; suspect some property owners are doing "demolition by neglect" to get historic houses torn down so they can charge more for redevelopment of lots

Lockerbie: NNO 8/6; street fair and yard sales 9/21; Lock-tober Fest 10/19; significant development at North and Park Ave; anticipate construction of new building near the Athenaeum

Adjourned at 7:46pm.

The next HUNI Quarterly Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. at the Indiana Landmarks Center, 1201 Central Avenue.