

**Jackson Place Community Council
Board Meeting
September 14th, 7:00-8:45p
Tea Garden Restaurant**

Attendance

Board members present: Johnny Calcagno, Oksana Winstead, Bill Bradburd, Ryan Morgan, Cary Davis, Margo Robb, Susan Rose

members absent: Paul Crane, Joe Lotz

Also attending: Vince Furfaro; Members of Jackson Place Business Community including representatives from Café Weekend, Pratt Fine Arts Center, Hiawatha Lofts,. St. Mary's Food Bank, a new Japanese bakery on Jackson, a neighborhood dentist office, and Legacy at Pratt Park

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Agenda

7:00 – 7:10 Informal Chat
7:10 – 7:15 Introductions
7:15 – 7:20 Christa Thomas from Café Weekend talked about JP Business Association
7:30 – 7:40 Chris Meyer from Legacy Partners talked about a possible Jackson Place BIA
7:40 – 8:15 Roundtable
8:15 – 8:45 Board Business

Jackson Place Business Association

Christa Thomas (CT) from Café Weekend talked about the forming of Jackson Place Business Association. She has created a [JPBA Facebook page](#). She discussed getting signage visible from Rainier attached to the Pontedera (Homesight) Building that would advertise businesses at Hiawatha Lofts and Pontedera.

Bill Bradburd (BB): How are businesses in Hiawatha in the doing?

CT: She just sent out 3000 postcards to the surrounding area. Have gotten about 15 in the first few days.

Chris Meyer from Legacy at Pratt Park: Hope to be open as soon as next week; Retail not rented yet, but hopeful. Will focus on the corner restaurant space.

Jackson Place BIA

Chris Meyer (CM) from Legacy Partners talked about a possible Jackson Street Business Improvement Association and handed out [this flyer from CADA](#) with lots more detail about it. 75% of the budget would go toward Public Safety – primarily an off duty police officer.

CM: There is already a significant presence of private security at Promenade 23, Welch Plaza, Legacy at Pratt Park; This would enhance it.

Top 10 property owners would pay the vast bulk of the budget.

Roundtable

Tea Garden: Had some windows broken recently, and other criminal elements lurking about.

Pratt: Lots more graffiti recently; some dumping; They reported it to the city and were promptly visited by investigators

Cary Davis: Much of the graffiti is not from violent gangs but from small groups of kids.

Bill Bradburd: Everyone should call 911 for EVERYTHING. They record all the calls and it helps get more response.

Chris Meyer: One of the reasons they wanted an off-duty police officer is because that person would get a faster response.

Gauged interest in JPBA

Bill Bradburd: Reminded everyone of centraldistrictnews.com.

Christa Thomas: If anyone wants to be an admin for the Facebook page, email info@cafeweekend.com

Bill Bradburd: Lots of upzoning coming. The current economic downturn gives us some breathing room for planning. Cites Capitol Hill experience.

Joanne Nakamura (Steven K. Nakamura, DDS office on Jackson): A little concerned about parking, especially with respect to the new apartment buildings on Jackson. Chris Meyer: Legacy has more than ample parking, so it shouldn't be a problem.

Bill Bradburd: What's going on with Jackson Place Pedestrian Overlay?

Lots of discussion about parking in the Hiawatha area

Christa thomas: Concerned about the ivy growing on Hiawatha, making it impassable. Margo: It was recently cleaned up.

Bill Bradburd: Several businesses that couldn't be here tonight but are interested in JP include Franz Bakery, Jurgens Paint, Field Roast, Service Welding

Oksana Winstead: Wondering about the construction on north side of Dearborn between I-5 and 12th Avenue South. BB: Some cleanup by Coho family and some city work on mudslide prone hill

Vince Furfaro: New Italian restaurant opening in CADA building at 17th and Jackson

Christa Thomas: First Thursday "Happy Hour" at Café Weekend; Open when they normally would be closed

James Brandalise: There is an open House at Pratt on 11/15

Deep Sinak from St. Mary's Food Bank: Looking for donations for a fund raiser on 9/26 that they are doing. Gift Certificates,

Board Business

*** Ryan will contact Joe Lotz to see whether he is done as a Board Member and co-chair; If so, we can vote in a new co-chair.

Bill Bradburd: How can we get more participation at our quarterly meetings? Some ideas:

- Health or Blood Pressure screenings.
- Election roundup with candidates or their representatives

For the 9/28 meeting here is the proposed agenda:

- 20 minutes each of Land Use:South Downtown; Backyard Cottages, and Multifamily
- Election roundtable

*** Ryan will check with Hiawatha to see if we can our 9/28 Quarterly meeting there.

*** Johnny, Ryan, Bill and Oksana will put out signs on Tuesday 9/22

*** Johnny will post to the Yahoo about the meeting on 9/24

*** Bill will contact campaigns to give us literature for the election roundtable

Oksana handed out a Treasurer's report which is available online [here](#)

Meeting adjourned at 8:45; Next board meeting TBA