

Oakland Task Force
July 10, 2018
University of Pittsburgh

In Attendance:

Blackburn, Bethany – UPMC	Caldwell, Stan - CMU
Boykowycz, Kathy - COR	
Egler, Moira – Councilwoman Strassburger	Printz, Mike – Family House
Flaherty, Maura - CHP	Pruett, Steven – Soldiers & Sailors
Glasser, Jamie – Sen. Costa	Rainey, Mavis – OTMA
Hayt, Cassie – Pitt	Soloman, Mary Ellen – Uptown Task Force
Manganaro, Neil – Council Pres. Kraus	Supowitz, Paul – Pitt
Mazo, Ellen - CHP	Urda, Kevin – UPMC
Nichols, Bill – Carnegie Museum	Wilds, John – Pitt
O’Neill, Jina - OTMA	White, Gavin - PPC
Petropoulos, Georgia – OBID	Wilson, Wanda – OPDC

UPDATES:

Paul Supowitz

After July OTF meeting, initiated a discussion with the group about providing letters of support for projects and what “consensus” means. Wanda suggested that it should be unanimous and that procedures for this type of support do need to be fine-tuned.

John Wilds gave a history of OTF and the fact that it is a unique organization without bylaws.

Several members put forth suggestions on how these types of situations could be handled in the future:

Stan suggested that as long as a majority voted for it would be OK to send, but all dissenting organizations should be listed in the letter.

Paul stated that a letter of support should be sent as long as all but a small number of members voted for. If more than a small number of members indicated they could not support, OTF would have to decline to send unless further discussion or project changes (such as Rite Aid) changed opinion. There were no other objections to proceeding in that manner.

Mavis Rainey

- Joncaire Steps – Railing and lighting have been installed and tested. Inspection and completion expected by July 16.
- Atwood Bus Shelter – Glass canopies on site and should be installed soon; a final inspection and opening should occur shortly after that.
- Forbes Betterment – Paving from Craft to Atwood should start on July 20. After weather delays, a new schedule should be coming out soon

John Wilds**Jamie Ducar**

- Currently doing several New Student Orientation Events and will soon have spoken to over 4,000 students/families.
- United Way Day of Caring will be on October 19, 2018 from 9-3 p.m. Jamie will be sending out information to partners soon.

Georgia Petropoulos

- Working on new electronic updates for OBID's property owners. If anyone has announcements or events, please send to Georgia.
- Ramp Crawl will be on July 26. Meet at the tent in Schenley Plaza at 5.

Jamie Glasser

- Senator Costa will be restarting his newsletter. It can be found at senatorcosta.com.

Mike Printz

- 35th Annual Polo event will be held at Hartwood Acres on September 15.

Gavin White

- 4 Mile Run project is now in the outreach phase. Company has been hired to do technical work and it is an 18-month project.

Bill Nichols

- Carnegie Summer Camps are in full swing.
- the 57th Carnegie International will begin on October 12 and will bring new art from around the world to Pittsburgh.

Ellen Mazo

- Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh is now UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. She understands a similar change has occurred at Magee.
- The Children's walk raised over \$800,000.
- Euler Way is one way and a sign will be posted (Mavis working with Amanda) so that work is completed at same time as construction.

Stand Caldwell

- Forbes Avenue sidewalks and lanes are back open and the Tepper Building is complete. A temporary crossing will be installed as it is very dangerous currently.

Moira Egler

- Councilwoman Strassburger is working on a community plan for her district. Currently gathering data, more information to follow.

Wanda Wilson

- Information on “Clutter for a Cause” will be going out.
- Working on garbage collection and recycling program. OPDC has ordered approximately 800 recycling bins for homes.

Neil Manganero

- Working on residential parking permits for South Oakland. New times of enforcement will be 7 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Hospital workers will be most impacted.