Meeting Minutes – University City Green Practices Commission
August 9, 2018
Location: Heman Park Community Center
Attendees Present: Jonathan Stitleman (Chairperson), John Solodar, Mary Gorman, Barbara Brain, Tim Cusick (Council Liaison), Adam Brown (acting Staff Liaison)
Absent: Adam Staudt

1. Roll Call

2. Opening Round:
   a. Barbara is now volunteering at Forest ReLeaf.
   b. Mary reported HopCat is composting; possibly invite them to discuss with the GPC.
   c. Jenny indicated the next Electronics Recycling Event is October 13th.

3. Approval of Minutes
   a. 06/14/18 Green Practices Commission Meeting Minutes approved as written.
   b. 07/12/18 Green Practices Commission Meeting Minutes approved with amendment.

4. Special Presentations
   a. Public Comments: Barbara Pickard discussed the collaborative talks between U City and Washington University and what is needed to move forward. Barbara also discussed a movie produced by Renew Missouri about renewable energy that would benefit the Green Practices Commission and University residents to see.

5. New Business
   a. The commission voted for John Solodar to become the new Chairperson.
   b. Jenny reported on a proposal to sign a Memorandum of Understanding to enter into a 6 month pilot program with Lime Bikes.

6. Old Business
   a. Jenny discussed the draft Sustainable Practices Guidelines with the commission. Tim Cusick suggested the guidelines be sent to the Stormwater Task Force.
7. Commission Reports
   a. Council Liaison Update: Tim Cusick reported that August 23rd there will be a TIF meeting at the high school.
   
   b. Quarterly Report – Waste/Resource Conservation: Jenny Wendt reported on the state of recycling and the critical need to keep contamination out of the single stream recycling.
   
   c. Quarterly Report – Community Gardens: Barbara Brain discussed the following things local governments can do to encourage community gardens:
      - Make sure zoning allows community gardens
      - Inventory open spaces and vacant land
      - Create a municipal community garden
      - Promote community gardens
      - Allow leasing of vacant land for nominal fee
      - Provide access to water
      - Form partnership with gateway greening
      - Use floodplain for gardens

8. Closing Round

9. Adjournment at 7:01pm