

West (U. City) Loop SBD Board Meeting Minutes
Blueberry Hill, Pac-Man Room
6504 Delmar Blvd, University City, MO 63130
Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Attending Board Members: Michael Alter, Joe Edwards, Ben Evans, Ryan Patterson, Tom Schmidt, Nakita Smith, Steve Stone **East Loop Attending Board Members:** Joe Edwards, Tameka Stigers **Absent Board Members:** Jen Rieger **Guests:** Tim Cusick (Council Member), Mary Gorman, Paul Schoomer, Libbey Tucker (Director of Economic Development), Wendy Harris (Board Member Elect)

Call to Order: Joe Edwards called the meeting to order.

Approving of Minutes: Ryan Patterson moved to approve the minutes from the July 2019 meeting (as published in draft form in the July newsletter); Tom Schmidt seconded, and all voted in favor. The floor was opened to public comments, but none were made.

Items of Discussion:

Joe reported on a request from “Bear Necessities,” a non-profit gift store operated by the Women’s Society of Washington University. The shop (located near Big Bend and Wydown) sells apparel, souvenirs, dorm and office supplies, and similar merchandise, with proceeds funding a two-year, full-tuition scholarship awarded annually to students graduating from St. Louis Community College and transferring to Washington University. The shop has requested the use of The Loop logo on for-sale merchandise. Ben Evans made a motion to approve the request, subject to the terms of a license agreement (to be initially drafted by Ben) that would provide for a single-use, non-exclusive, revocable license to use the logo solely for non-profit purposes. Ryan Patterson seconded the motion, which was unanimously passed.

In the U City staff report, Libbey Tucker stated that the City was working on formalizing the application process for the new façade project. Rachelle L’Ecuyer and Libbey Tucker briefly discussed possible sale and/or redevelopment plans for the Commerce Bank site.

Steve Stone and Michael Alter reported on their recent attendance at the EDRST meeting. According to Steve, the City has increased its scrutiny over processes and compliance with laws regarding funding, permitting, and other matters, which requires The Loop to make similar efforts.

Tom Schmidt asked whether we needed to form a subcommittee to work on a possible new pedestrian crossing for the 6600 block of Delmar (Nakita Smith volunteered to participate). Rachelle noted that the traffic commission has acknowledged the issue. Nakita raised the possibility of signage that informs drivers that pedestrians always have the right-of-way, not only in crosswalks. Libbey Tucker noted that the City is working on a scooter-related ordinance, and that scooters are being confiscated by officers in the meantime.

Adjourn: There being no other new or old business, Tom Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting, Michael Alter seconded, and all voted in favor.