

West Central Neighborhood Association

*Board Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026 6:00pm*

Call To Order –6:00 pm

- Attendees: Joel Sauer, Kelly Benton, Chris Todd, Anita Kuker, Bethany Pruitt, Al Hofer
- Absent: None. Full quorum present.

2026 WCNA Project & Funding Priorities Review

- Historic Preservation Committee suggestions: historic light poles, street signs, and trees. Trees are well covered. They are supposed to provide budget numbers. Street signs are ~\$600-\$1200 each. Street lights are ~\$2400 each.
- The resurfacing of Jefferson has been postponed to 2027. Joel will ask the committee to see if this could include money for these priorities. We will advocate for bump-outs

Finalize 2026 Budget

- Chris made the following changes: reduced revenue from 2025 and reduced budget for social events.
- The budget is now finalized and official.

Connected Neighborhoods Grant Update

- This will not include safety on Jefferson due to upcoming project (noted above)
- The group met in January for the City to present their findings from gathering data. Wanted a vote among: improved neighborhood safety near schools, high impact small scale improvements, enhanced visibility pedestrian crossing, social infrastructure and park usage, enhanced connectivity with trails and sidewalks (landscaped median on Main St on each side of the bridge), more trail lighting, positive discussions around things involving elementary schools
- Next steps: Dan will price things out and narrow the project list
- Question/Request: Will they share prices with us so we could consider paying for a project ourselves? Ex: sidewalk connecting Swinney Park Tennis Courts

- No action required at this point.

Discussion on Casino Position

- We are putting together resources on the website
- Board discussed whether or not to take a position on this, and agreed to refrain from taking a position at this time.

Block Party Leadership

- Discussed who to ask to take on leadership of this event. Chris will talk to neighbors on his block. Kelly suggested Kris and Mike McClain. Joel will check with them and Jackie Jones, who organized it last year.

Arch has two board members terming off. They are looking for new committee and board members.

Agenda for Membership Meeting

- Business member: Dignity Memorial
- Yesterday in West Central: Tom Cain
- Connected Neighborhood Grants Update
- Winter Mixer Promotion
- Tour Update
- Before & After Photos of Beautification

Concluded 7:05 pm