



**Golden Triangle Creative District
2022 Annual Meeting Minutes
Video Conference via Zoom Webinar
February 3, 2022 | 5:30-7:00 PM**

Call to Order/Welcome (Board Co-Chair, Sydney Malone)

- Meeting called to order at 5:30PM
- Opening Remarks (Byron Zick & Sydney Malone)
- Housekeeping Topics
 - o Approval of February 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes (online poll)
 - o Approved unanimously

GTCD 2021 Updates (Board Co-Chairs, Sydney Malone and Byron Zick)

- Key projects and accomplishments (see meeting presentation slide deck)
 - o Keep an eye on our website for social events in the neighborhood
 - o Pursuing memberships to ensure community stays well connected

Events Update (Treasurer, April Chase and Sydney Malone)

- Annual Fundraiser – Thursday, April 28
 - o Postponed from October due to COVID
 - o Speakeasy theme event, including casino games, entertainment, music and more
 - o Actively seeking sponsors
 - o Board members responsible for silent or live auction item and two bottles of wine
- COLORCON 2022 – Date TBD

Proposed 2022 Budget (April Chase)

- Board members to review proposed budget and come prepared to vote on it at March Board meeting.

Neighborhood Development Update (Sydney Malone)

- See meeting presentation slide deck for list of current and upcoming developments

Cultural Update:

- **Civic Center Conservancy (Eric Lazzari, Executive Director)**
 - o Civic Center Next 100 Initiative - Partnership between Civic Center Conservancy and Denver Dept of Parks & Recreation
 - o Follow Civic Center Next 100 at: <https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Agencies-Departments-Offices-Directory/Parks-Recreation/Planning-Community-Engagement/The-Outdoor-Downtown>
 - o Final concept designs to be released this coming week
 - o Transformation of Greek Theater to performance center for ticketed and free shows

- Promenade improvements – electrical outlets, new paving
 - More improvements outside City Hall
 - Fundraising is ongoing
 - Greek Theater will be phase 1
 - Commitment from city to keep park safe and open to the public with 7 days a week 24 hours per day monitoring and maintenance of park
 - Food trucks and fitness classes starting again in May 2022
 - Reach out to Eric if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, eric@civiccenterconservancy.org
 - Parks & Rec will remove fencing when they feel confident that they can properly staff and monitor the park
 - New lighting added - Lighting will conform with guidelines for the park. Updating globe lights in the park to LED's and making them brighter. Light will shine down, not up.
- **Denver Public Library (Rachel Fewell, Library Administrator)**
 - Outdoor public area to be completed in 2023
 - Children's Library near completion
 - Overall project funded by Elevate Denver Bond, City & County of Denver, Friends of DPL
 - Full building will not be open until 2023
 - New Children's Library will have a "tinker lab" and other activity spaces

Q&A Session

- Q: When will the fencing come down at Civic Center Park?
A: The City is saying later this year. Hope to have more information in the coming weeks. (E. Lazzari)
- Q: With all the fencing around the library, I thought it was still closed. Great news that it's open! Where is the entrance?
A: Broadway is the only entrance right now, as extensive construction happens on the west/Acoma side (R. Fewell)
- Q: I heard there was a playground going in at the library, is that still the plan?
A: Working with Denver Dept of Parks & Recreation on a playground on the North Lawn. Denver Parks & Rec will be funding it – it is in their 5-year plan for parks.
- Q: Will there be any affordable housing among the new developments? Will there be more amenities like groceries?
A: A few GTCD Board members were on the zoning advisory committee with the City. There are incentives for providing affordable housing. Currently, it is not a blanket requirement. City is working on a citywide affordable housing requirement. Several new developments are planning a grocery store. Also excited to have Choice Market in the neighborhood. (B. Zick)
A: Expanding Housing Affordability: an updated draft was just released yesterday! There's also an open house to learn more on February 17th. Here's the press release from yesterday: <https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Agencies-Departments-Offices-Directory/Community-Planning-and-Development/Community-Engagement/CPD-News/2022/Updated-Housing-Affordability-Proposal> (CM Chris Hinds)
- Q: Are there parking requirements for new developments?
A: The new Golden Triangle zoning was adopted in July. For new development projects that get approved after that vote, the city has no requirement for parking. However, lenders still regularly require parking before they're willing to give money for development. (CM Chris Hinds)
A: New zoning guidelines do not call for parking, but developers are providing parking at approx. 1:1 ration (B. Zick)

Board of Directors Elections – (Governance Committee Chair, Lisa Beauchamp)

- Status update of board members and candidates. There are a maximum of 28 board seats.
 - o Motion to review board slate (L. Beauchamp), second (B. Zick)
- Introduce slate of 2022 Board Candidates
 - o Nominees unmute and introduce themselves
 - o Adam Perkins – Urban Villages (developer)
 - o Alice Harris – Recently moved to GTCD. Always active in the community. Active in RNOs in N. Denver. Love the neighborhood!
 - o Alvin Cooper III – Denver native. Lived in GTCD for 20 years. Been involved in GTCD business networking group. Would like to help the neighborhood grow and help make it a better place.
 - o Andrew Iltis – Planner working with Downtown Denver Partnership. Historically been involved with planning efforts.
 - o April Denmon – Denver native. Real Estate Broker. Has lived and now works in the Beauvallon. I know what people want from the neighborhood. I do a lot of community work. Honored to be here and to help.
 - o Lindsay Hauk – Living in Denver for 16 years. Working with Kirkland Museum for 10 months. Looking to build community relationships and partnerships. Oversees resource development, so a big part of my job is relationship building.
 - o Mathiba Kgopa – Originally from South Africa. Came to the USA in 2010. Living in Denver for 6 years. Used to run in an event business, then created a cleaning company. Excited about business networking. Community is important to me. Looking forward to being part of this village you’ve created.
 - o Pauline Herrera – Executive Director, Denver Architectural Foundation. Passionate about arts and culture and see this area as the heart of the city. DAF partners with many cultural organizations in the neighborhood. This neighborhood has some of the best architecture in the city. DAF is hoping to stay in the area for a long time.
 - o Ryan Kurosky – Shift Workspaces. Shift is very community driven. We are a B Corp, so we try to better the communities we are in. I’ve worked in meetings and events for 22 years. Everyone at Shift loves to volunteer!
 - o Sara Leitch – Development Manager at Civic Center Conservancy. Success of the neighborhood is success at Civic Center Park. Excited to be part of the neighborhood.
 - o Will Wytias-Sobel – Denver Westword for 6 years in a variety of positions. Mostly focused on marketing and events. Grew up in Denver. Live close to the neighborhood. The GT is one of the most important places in the city. I have worked with Sydney on COLORCON and the homelessness initiative with GTCD.
- Call for nominations of additional Board Candidates
 - o Lisa directs additional nominations to be placed in the chat
 - No additional nominations put forward
 - o Only members and board members are allowed to vote
 - o Slate put to a vote
 - Slate approved through online poll
 - o Question concerning serving board member terms. Board member terms are in the meeting packet. Board members can renew up to two 3-year terms.

Officer Nominations (Lisa Beauchamp)

- Officer elections will be held during March board meeting
- Call for officer nominations

- Nominations open until March 3rd. Send to L. Beauchamp or admin@goldentriangleofdenver.com
- 2 Co-Chair and a treasurer position
 - Lisa Beauchamp (Co-Chair) nominated by B. Zick
 - John Mosley (Co-Chair) nominated by B. Zick
 - Steve Strunk (Treasurer) nominated by A. Chase

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned 6:53PM