

# Graduate & Family Housing (GFH) Advisory Committee | MINUTES

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**Meeting date | Time** 2/14/2024 1:00 PM

**Meeting Location:** *The Exchange & Zoom*

<b>Type of meeting:</b> GFH advisory Committee	<b>Attendees:</b>
<b>Co-Chairs:</b> Willie Lee II Charles Soulen	<b>In Person:</b> Leadbetter, Kristin Salas, Michael Veridiano, Anna Sievert, David Lee II, Willie
<b>Note taker:</b> Madeline Makings	<b>Zoom:</b> Theus, Daniela Jimenez, Diana Nyongesa, Cynthia Tinoco, Carolyn Guzman, Leticia

## AGENDA

### Welcome

### Old Business:

- Approve Agenda & Minutes

### Updates

### New Business:

- **Project Updates:**
  - o Winter Town Hall Promotion
  - o Food truck working group
  - o Bulletin Boards/Community Communication Networks
  - o Pedestrian Bridge Intersection
  - o Central Mesa Landscaping
  - o Mesa Nueva Fountain
  - o Grass/ Unpaved Paths
  - o Dog Park
  - o USO Survey
  - o Donation Program
- **Suggestions Box Follow Ups:**
  - o Recent Submissions

### Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items

## MEETING MINUTES:

### Welcome

Welcome Dana & Leticia to GFHAC, taking over for Gilbert for a few months, meeting began at 1:05pm!

### Updates

## New Business:

### - Project Updates:

- **Winter Town Hall Promotion**
  - Promotion email was sent out to all GFH residents on 2/13 and another email next week. All signs are on the digital signage and posted throughout the communities.
  - Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm via Zoom
  - Agenda will include a few items that Chip will send out beforehand.
- **Food Truck Working Group**
  - Chip shared that he was speaking with Belinda's food truck over their location from MN back to NE. The university is requiring the food truck to work with Curbside bites which charges the food truck \$50 or 10% of the profit.
  - Michael shared that this process goes through procurement and while Belinda's was grandfathered into the Curbside Bites process. The relationship is managed through procurement, we can provide our suggestions to procurement but otherwise GFH is not involved in the process and is unsure if we have a say in that relationship or financial requirement.
  - Curbside Bites and UCSD are in a contract and have expanded that location to the Medical School and therefore may be interested in coming to GFH.
    - Willie shared that through procurement the contract is possibly for all of campus
    - Belinda's may be in a very informal agreement with GFH, according to a conversation with Belinda's owner and Chip.
    - Kristin asked why use Curbside Bites as an intermediary, what does the contract look like?
  - Separately it was mentioned that the Fire Marshall has approved certain regulations for the parking of the food trucks.
  - Chip has requested that GFHAC is able to look at the contract with Curbside bites.
  - Michael will reach out to Jason Andrews in procurement and request a meeting with GFHAC or the sub committee to answer questions and potentially see the contract.
- **Bulletin Boards/Community Communication Networks**
  - Willie is waiting on the other boards in the mail, 2 other alternative boards.
- **Pedestrian Bridge Intersection**
  - Chip has stated that this is coming to a close from the original concerns of the flags and the dangerous nature of the intersection by the market.
  - Michael spoke with transportation and they invited some individuals from campus planning where they are going to add flashing stop sign lights which they are also doing over by ECEC in Mesa. They are looking to redoing the painting, putting a radar and additional pylon signage for the area. All of which are scheduled from mid to late March.
- **Central Mesa Landscaping**
  - Leticia brought up that in building 9226 that there is a lake in the middle of the building after it rains. The pavement is also broken as well as the landscaping in the immediate area of Central Mesa.
  - Anna shared that she is actively looking into community gardens in Central Mesa, the Director of Landscaping provided a general estimate for about \$30k for the grading, garden beds and irrigation. Anna shared she is waiting for the final cost estimation and is waiting to clarify some items to bring the cost down.
  - Leticia asked what are the long term plans and what it will look like? She commented that Mesa was going to undergo construction soon and rebuild from the tree removal.
  - Kristin shared that there was a plan for construction but the funding is no longer available so the plan is on hold for now.
  - Milkweed and grass can still being looked into but cannot be planted in February yet.
- **Mesa Nueva Fountain**

- Michael shared that signage has been made and installed by the fountain. However the funding did not come through for the deck coating for the splash area and the pool. GFH can try again for the next budgeted year.
  - **Grass/ Unpaved Paths**
    - Anna shared that they will prioritize those areas to trim and add mulch to the paths after the recent weather.
    - Chip and David shared that they saw sprinklers on last week, Anna will follow up with the Director of Landscaping, David.
  - **Dog Park**
    - Chip explained GFHAC is working to revisit this proposal, since the plan for the rebuild of Mesa has been rescheduled. The buildings would need to come down in 2030 but for now there isn't an active plan for redevelopment and the residents are requesting a dog park.
    - The current \$11k quote is active for the 2 fenced in areas behind South Mesa, near 9188.
    - Kristin wants to see the area that is proposed as far as surface area of both fenced in areas.
      - Kristin is going to put a proposal together for the dog park and bring to a future meeting.
    - Michael reminded members that when the quotes were originally sent, they were going to both be in South Mesa, the 2 dog sizes are due to the different size dogs.
    - Leticia suggested looking into the area surrounding the garden area in South Mesa which is mostly grass.
    - Chip is going to look into this area later on. Requesting the layout, does the current \$11k include a waste station?
  - **USO Survey**
    - It was advised to survey USO's during a different survey. This topic will be pushed to the next meeting.
  - **Donation Program**
    - The limiting factor of the program is low on storage space, having to make an appointment and facilitating drop off and pickup. It leads to a lot of items being disposed and this could be better utilized.
    - Carolyn asked if this is between student to student or if this is a new program?
    - This is a current program through the GFH HDH Custodial group. Carolyn shared that she wants to work on something like this for unhoused students. Possibly looking into doing this together to make the program more sustainable.
    - This topic will be revisited next meeting.

#### Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items

- Suggestion box items need to be revisited during next meeting

#### Final remarks:

- Meeting Adjourned at 2:03pm