

**HPCC
Monthly Community Meeting
March 15, 2018
St. Andrew's Church**

Meeting Called to order at 7:05pm by Karin Manovich

Police Zone 5 Update- Sgt. Joe Lewis

Crime continues to be low in Highland Park with vehicle break-ins the primary reported activity. Most often the cases are crimes of opportunity where people have left their cars unlocked and occasionally unlocked and running. Night patrols have been increased since that is the primary time of the thefts from vehicles. There were some isolated smash-and-grab car break-ins in the zoo area this month.

Pittsburgh Fulton PreK-5-Principal Karen Arnold

Fulton is proud of three new banners, which highlight the school's accomplishments and its French magnet program. Fulton has been named a "STAR School" by the district and is the only elementary school to achieve this status, which recognizes academic growth.

The school will be participating in the Pittsburgh Promise's "Promise Walk" on April 21st. The walk will begin and end at Pittsburgh Obama 6-12, and go past Pittsburgh Fulton, Dilworth, and Lincoln along the way. The walk raises awareness and scholarship funds for Pittsburgh children.

Pittsburgh Fulton is excited to welcome local ensemble NAT 28 for a free concert beginning at 5:30 PM prior to the March 20th PTO meeting. The musicians will perform a variety of selections - including original pieces composed with Fulton students.

The French program was discussed in detail. A Highland Park community tour of the school may be arranged in May if there is interest. Board member Dave Atkinson will liaise with Ms. Arnold to arrange.

Healthy Ride Pittsburgh- Adams Carroll, Director of Operations

The non-profit bike share organization, which launched in 2015, is expanding to increase access to public transportation via bikes. There are currently 50 stations and 500 bikes in operation. Expansion in 2018 will add 200 bikes and 125 stations and will increase both the density and the footprint of the system. The new stations will be smaller than the existing stations.

Healthy Ride Pittsburgh has been seeking input from neighborhoods in the planned expansion area. The Bryant St. area has received 5,500 requests. Highland Park and vicinity will gain five stations, right now proposed to be installed at the following locations:

1. E. Liberty Blvd and N. Negley Ave.
2. E. Liberty Blvd and N. Highland Ave.
3. N. St. Clair St, just south of Bryant St.
4. Stanton Ave. and N. Highland Ave.
5. N. Negley and Stanton Ave.

Residents can provide input on these locations and suggest other locations by visiting www.healthyridepgh.com/expansion and clicking on the map. Legal parking spaces will not be eliminated at the proposed sites.

Healthy Ride Pittsburgh will approach adjacent property owners and engage nearby residents once locations have been identified. Installation can only occur once the Pittsburgh Council Representative for the area and the City's Traffic Engineer sign off on the locations. The installation of the Highland Park stations will likely occur in early summer.

Safety is a priority for Healthy Ride Pittsburgh. The stations are intentionally placed near crosswalks and intersections as they frequently act as a traffic-calming device and allow greater traffic visibility to pedestrians crossing the streets. The bikes are sturdy and safe with always-on lights, big wheels, strong brakes, 7 speeds, and on-board locks.

Riders with Connect Card passes can link their cards to the system and receive unlimited free 15-minute trips. Fees for individual rides are \$2/30 minutes. Monthly passes are available for either \$12 (30 minute rides) or \$20 (1 hour rides).

Since its launch, Healthy Ride Pittsburgh has signed on over 64,000 people, who have made over 200,000 trips.

City of Pittsburgh- Leah Friedman, Community Affairs Liaison, Mayor's office
Leah Friedman, who grew up in Highland Park, was introduced as Corey Buckner's replacement as Liaison to the Mayor's office. The Office of Management & Budget is seeking input from citizens. Citizens can use a new online tool called "Balancing Act" to provide input or attend a yet-to-be scheduled public meeting in June. Residents are invited to a City-wide Safety meeting on April 18th.

House Tour Committee Update- Monica Watt, Chair

The House Tour is scheduled for Saturday, May 12, 2018 (Mothers' Day Weekend) from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The committee is seeking homes for the tour, as well as volunteers.

Neighborhood Clean-up-Justin Sandherr, Resident

When: April 21, 2018 at 10 AM

Who: Highland Park Neighbors, Businesses, and Friends (Adults and Children are welcome)

Where: Start / End Points are To Be Determined

Interested in Participating / Donating Supplies: Contact Justin Sandherr at Justin.Sandherr@Gmail.com

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 19, 2018 at St. Andrews at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM