

March 2021 HPCC Virtual Community Meeting 3/18/21

Moderated by Stephanie Walsh and Howard Degenholtz

27 individuals in attendance

Meeting called to order by Stephanie Walsh, HPCC President, at 7:05 P.M.

Announcements:

- Stephanie has consulted with the two individuals who organize the annual HPCC Yard Sale and Bryant Street festival regarding possible dates for these events this year.
 - Due to Covid-19, June is not a possibility. However, August/September look promising - Stay tuned!
- Redesign of the Highland Park Super Playground
 - The final Community Workshop for the Super Playground redesign will take place on Tuesday, March 23, at 5:30 P.M. This will be the FINAL public workshop for input into the new design.
 - At the workshop the City and project designers will share images of the planned layout and equipment.
 - There will be time allotted for public comment and input.
 - A preview of the design will be shared on the City's Engage website for this project.
 - Advance registration is required Visit the City's Engage website to register and see a preview of the proposed design:
<https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/highland-park-super-playground>

Update from Zone 5 presented by Officer Michael Gay:

- Emphasis was placed on issues involving unblocked vehicles. Theft from vehicles continues to be the most prevalent crime in our neighborhood. Most vandalized vehicles were unlocked.
 - Two individuals were arrested for vehicle break-ins last week. The number of reported break-ins seems to have decreased since the arrests.
 - Two thefts of vehicles were reported.
 - Both vehicles were left running, one by a delivery person, the other by someone stepping away from the vehicle momentarily.
- A question regarding the Police Shooting Range was raised by a participant. Officer Gay responded that a sit down meeting is anticipated with the Commander, City police officials, and other parties from the City regarding the noise issue. He expressed uncertainty as to the specifics of the meeting.

- Stephanie provided input regarding the ongoing sound study that the City is conducting.
 - The sound study is not part of the HPCC Shooting Range Noise Log. The Log is a tool to track the noise in real time. It will be of benefit when discussing possible options going forward. The Shooting Range Noise Log can be found here: <https://hpccpgh.org/public-safety/>
- Another participant asked about the increased volume of ATV's on neighborhood streets. Officer Gay assured participants that Zone 5 has placed a careful but close eye on this activity.
- Officer Gay stressed that with school openings, school buses will again be on the road. Please be aware and cautious.

COVID - 19 Vaccines : What, When, Who, How - Your Questions Answered:

- **Speakers:**

- **Dr. Glenn Rapsinski, MD, Ph.D**
 - Fellow, Infectious Disease
 - Children's Hospital
- **Dr. Johanna Vida - Phelan, MD, MBA, FAAP**
 - Senior Medical Director - Pediatrics
 - UPMC Insurance Division
- **Dr. Kaitlyn Brennan**
 - University of Pittsburgh School of Education
 - Neighborhood Collaborative

- A very interactive and informative conversation occurred. The speakers provided links to numerous resources:

COVID-19 Resources Shared at March 18, 2021 HPCC Community Zoom Meeting

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Vaccine/Pages/Vaccine.aspx>

<https://www.wtae.com/article/covid-19-vaccine-allegheny-county-health-dept-to-expand-vaccine-eligibility-requirements-starting-friday/35867120#>

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Health-Department/Resources/COVID-19/COVID-19-Vaccine-Information.aspx>

UPMC Registration: <https://vaccine.upmc.com/>

Your Turn DHS PA Website: https://covidportal.health.pa.gov/s/Your-Turn?language=en_US

Differences between vaccines:

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/coronavirus-covid-19/vaccine/comparing-vaccines>

CDC- Additional information about COVID-19 vaccines:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines.html>

How does an mRNA vaccines work?

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines/mrna.html>

Moderna study and children:

<https://www.aappublications.org/news/2021/03/16/moderna-covid-trials-children-031621>

Moderna study and children:

<https://www.npr.org/sections/coronavirus-live-updates/2021/03/16/977778462/moderna-gives-first-vaccine-shots-to-young-kids-as-part-of-covid-19-study>

Pfizer:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/pfizer/downloads/standing-orders.pdf>

COVID19 and Schools:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/index.html>

CHOP Policy Lab and Return to Schools:

<https://policylab.chop.edu/sites/default/files/pdf/publications/PolicyLab-Policy-Review-Evidence-Guidance-In-Person-Schooling-COVID-19-Dec-2020.pdf>

CDC recommendations and schools:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/ventilation.html>

Pediatricians advocate to allow students to return safely to school:

<https://www.aappublications.org/news/2021/01/05/covid-school-safety-010521>

Ventilation recommendations:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/ventilation.html>

ASHRAE: <https://www.ashrae.org/technical-resources/ashrae-standards-and-guidelines>

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 P.M. by Stephannie Walsh