



Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association (CHNA) Meeting Wednesday March 9, 2022 6:30-8:00 PM at Colonial Park

CHNA Agenda:

- Welcome/Introductions/Leader Introductions (5 mins)
- Police Update (5 mins)
- Colonial Heights Library Update - Diego L. Diaz (5 mins)
- District 6 - Councilmember Eric Guerra Update (5 mins)
- City of Sacramento Youth, Parks & Community Enrichment Commission - Victoria Vasquez (10 min)

- Priorities, Goals, and Events for 2022

- Committee Updates (15 mins)
Parks, Finance, Communications, T-Shirt, Safety and Security, Welcome

- General Discussion (20 mins) – Bring your topics of discussion

Meeting minutes and agendas are available on the CHNA website:
<https://www.colonial-heights.org/copy-of-minutes>

Email: colonialheightsneighborhood@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.colonial-heights.org/>



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Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

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Attending:

Frank Jim Keddy
Mark Harrington
Diego Diaz- Circulation Supervisor CH Library
Susan Trip
Kathy Bicker
Aaron
Ron Deal
Jill
Greg Ruzovan (forced to take Minutes!)

No SacPD officers showed up.

No Council Members showed up.

Victoria Vasquez with the Parks Department did not show up.

Library Update - Diego L. Diaz

Circulation Supervisor

Sacramento Public Library – Colonial Heights library

4799 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, California 95820

(916) 277-2191 ddiaz@saclibrary.org

Diego Diaz is the new Circulation Supervisor at the Colonial Heights Library and has been there for 6 months.

1. Library hours are 10-6PM Tuesday through Saturday.
2. There is a Story Time Tuesday through Saturday at 10:30 AM.
3. Wednesday is Explore and Play.
4. An Adult book club is planned for the future.
5. WiFi hotspots and Chromebooks are available for loan. Wifi hotspots give access to the internet for people who don't have it. Chromebooks are a type of laptop, that can be checked out at the same time as the WiFi hotspots.
6. The Community Room is still closed and being used by staff. It should open in the summer. Diego was asked if the room could be reserved for our meetings, but said that

that could not be done ahead of time. He was asked to notify CHNA when the opening date of the Community Room was known and reservations could be made.

Park Committee Update

Victoria Vasquez was scheduled for this CHNA meeting but did not show. A Colonial Park walk through is scheduled for April 1st. The location for 10 to 12 trees will be identified and planting is planned for the next tree planting season on October 8th, 2022. Community involvement is encouraged.

Communication Committee

The website www.colonial-heights.org is up and running, events are being posted to NextDoor and Facebook. The Instagram account is being posted to by the Colonial Heights Photography Club.

While we are collecting e-mail addresses, there is currently no active posting via e-mail. The old Google listserve has not been used for many years. This is an area that the Communication Committee could use help with.

Treasurer

No significant changes to the CHNA treasury has happened. A detailed summary of income and expenditures for CHNA is available upon request.

National Flag Day Event Planning

Susan Tripp is leading the planning for a Flag Day event at Colonial Park on Saturday June 11th from 10 to 2. Looking for volunteers to help with organizing, including a Veterans group to do a flag ceremony. It was suggested that the local Elks Lodge can help with the ceremony. A list of items has been prepared with itemized costs that include flyers, hot dogs, a cake or cup cakes. T-shirts will be sold. Volunteers are encouraged to contact Susan Tripp via Kathy Bicker.

Mercy Housing Committee

Aaron Cheesman presented a summary of the January 22nd Avenue meeting with councilmembers

A summary from communications with the MH Committee:

Here's a Recap on Where Things Stand:

- Last year, we learned of plans to build Mercy Housing in the Jon's Furniture lot. Designs included a main entrance/exit point inside a residential area where, for decades, 54th Street terminated at 22nd Avenue. It also included access on Stockton Boulevard, but that access is limited to such a degree (no left turn out, no left turn in, no northbound U-turns allowed on Stockton, no lit intersection) that it would steer much traffic *through* our neighborhood rather than directly to/from Stockton.
- We organized as a neighborhood and built a mailing list. The Colonial Heights Neighborhood Association approved the Mercy Housing Development Committee to take the lead for the neighborhood.

- We hosted a “block party/meeting” in August 2021 where councilmembers and Mercy Housing representatives heard neighborhood input and concerns. We collectively decided our primary request is to keep 54th Street closed. Secondly, if the 54th Street gate were to be opened up, we would want the Stockton Boulevard access point to provide much more robust vehicle access so as to minimize the amount of traffic cutting through our neighborhood.
- In January 2022, we had a follow-up coffee & donuts neighborhood meeting that also included Senior City Planner Marcus Adams who took note of local concerns and subsequently brought them to Public Works seeking ways to address them. ***Now, these parties are ready to meet publicly once more, this time to discuss solutions and next steps.***

This is it. The meeting that maybe matters most so far, specifically regarding traffic and parking concerns of the Mercy Housing Development going up south of Colonial Heights. All the key decision makers will be there, and hopefully, it will result in ***actual news*** on what is ultimately going to happen.

Wed Apr 13, 2022 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Contact Aaron Cheesman at Aaron Cheesman aaroncheesman@gmail.com for the Zoom Link.

If you live near 54th and 22nd, this is one civic engagement you won't want to miss. Mark your calendars and tell a neighbor. I will try to also send reminders in the days before the meeting.

Discussion of Additional Events for CHNA

A general discussion of possible events for 2022 included

- A vegetable sharing event at a CHNA meeting,
- More Movie Nights in the Park
- A Colonial Heights Porch Fest with local bands playing at several different houses in the neighborhood.