

**LSNA Board Meeting
The Franklin Institute
222 N 20th Street
Philadelphia, PA, 19130.**

Onsite and Zoom

November 15, 2022

Present: Dennis Boylan, Susan Berrigan, Colleen Walsh, Bill and Lynn Armstead, Kate Ballengee, Autumn Bayles, John Carden, Christine Conley, Suzanne Danayim, Sandie Farrell, Jim Fennell, Eilene Frierson, Jovida Hill, Frank Janitor, Sheryl Johnson, Rich Leimbach, Fran Levi, Daniel McElhatton, Mike Reed, Diane Sales, Jeff Scafaria, Robert Strunk, Bob Sutton, Pat and Andy Toy, Michael Volpe, Linda Wong.

Absent: Karen Belding, Maria Bourassa, Mandy Bucceroni, Joan Decker, Ed Dougherty, Leanne Hirsch, Sean Kardon, Hessam Mirsaedi, Drew Murray, Francine Pollock, Louise Quattrone, Sven Schroeter, Joe Sirbak, Tara and Alan Williams, Earl Wolf.

(Note: There was a problem identifying all those who attended the meeting via zoom. If you were on zoom but listed as absent above, please advise.)

Meeting was called to order at 7pm. Thank you to our Franklin Institute hosts, Rich Rabena and Gina DiGiovani.

Quorum Report: Attended by 26 Board members (combination of onsite and remote) included in a total of 97 attendees (combination of onsite and remote).

Approvals: October 2022 Board Meeting Minutes and Consent Agendas.
FY 2022-2023 LSNA Membership Report.

Announcements:

Project Home: 215-232-1984. Call re: Amazon Wish List.

Thanks to Pat Toy for Membership Report.

Amen Brown, newly elected State Representative, attended the meeting and presented Dennis with two checks, one for \$10,000 and another for \$5,000 to support various ongoing projects (Winter Street playground, Coxe Park, Neighborhood Garden, Baldwin Park, paper and Christmas tree shredding) within LSNA. He also responded to a question asking about trash being dumped illegally by saying “forget 311 and call his office directly.” Additionally, when asked if he were considering running for mayor, he said he was concentrating on his new job but would consider it if he felt there were not qualified candidates to choose from.

A second community meeting with Council President Darrell Clarke and the Department of Streets, to discuss the directional change on the 2100 block of Cherry Street will be held on Thursday, November 17th, at 7:00 pm, Moore College of Art.

Neighborhood meeting with Fairmount Police at Bache Martin School scheduled for Wednesday, Nov16th, at 6pm.

Philadelphia Marathon is Sunday, November 20, 2022, requiring many street closures before, during and after the event.

Thanksgiving Holiday Parade is Thursday, November 24, 2022, from 8:30am-Noon, requiring many street closures before, during and after the

event.

Thank you to the Murray family for Spooktacular, 49th Annual Halloween Party.

Thank you to Hessam Mirsaedi and Drew Murray for the Love Your Park clean up events at Coxe and Baldwin Parks.

Demonstration in front of the Art Museum steps to protest the illegal bikes that race up and down the Parkway night and day. Need government to stand up and enforce the PA Motor Vehicle Codes that prohibit these vehicles on our streets.

SEPTA Bus Revolution project continues with zoom and in person meetings scheduled with all interested parties. Agency is basically looking to run fewer routes more frequently, either E/W or N/S - with transfers, to hopefully increase efficiency and safety by eliminating turns. Basic plans to be released early next year.

Prayer for Peace in Our City every Sunday, 5:30pm-6:30pm at the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

LSNA Christmas party date not yet determined.

Parkway Institutions Update:

Ground broken on November 15th, 2022, for the new Calder museum and gardens. Ceremony was attended by Joseph Neubauer, Gerry Lenfest, Council President Clarke and Governor-Elect Shapiro. Construction to begin in January 2023 with opening in the Spring of 2025.

Photo review and neighborhood update:

Pictures of various construction sites both north and south of the Parkway, including 2300 JFK and the mural on Cuthbert between 20th and 21st.

Presentation: Philadelphia Streetlight Improvement Project. Katie Bartolotta, VP of Policy and Strategic Partnerships, Philadelphia Energy Authority:

Project Scope:

One-to-one replacement of 120,000+ high pressure sodium fixtures with LEDs.

Linking all “newly” and “already” converted (10,000+) LEDs to a lighting management system.

Audit includes cobraheads (roadway), alleyway, and decorative (residential and commercial corridor) lighting.

Benefits:

Supports public safety.

Enhances visibility to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists (Vision Zero Alignment).

Advances the City’s goals for carbon emissions (9%) and electricity use reduction as the largest municipal energy conservation project to date

Adds remote optimized lighting and outage monitoring that will create operational efficiencies for the Streets Department.

Provides a communications network for future Smart City applications.

Supports local, diverse businesses and individuals through an Economic Opportunity Plan and workforce development agreement (58% M/W/DSBE + 8% LBE participation).

Pays for itself through energy savings.

Comprehensive Project Development Process:

Citywide GIS-based audit of existing streetlight system.

Underway – 92,000+ lights visited.

Community outreach, soliciting streetlight preferences as input to design process.

Streetlight and control system evaluation and selection.

Includes assessment of future Smart City opportunities.

Standardized Lighting Design ensuring the “right” light source is installed for all City typical roadway applications and special needs.

Investment Grade Audit Report with project costs, annual savings and cash flows.

24-month construction beginning Spring 2023.

Trial Installation Community Outreach:

Primary goal of trial installations is to solicit community feedback and preferences on streetlight color temperature and light level.

Presentations at community meetings in every Council District.

Community feedback opportunities:

Community canvas in the 4 square block area of the installations to invite residents to live survey tabling event.

Community tabling to conduct in-person surveys.

Signs with QR code on each trial streetlight pole for individuals to take survey on their own time.

Survey available on via our website for those who cannot visit a trial location.

Other: email, website, voicemail.

Community Touch Points:

Email for Project Questions:
ledstreetlighting@phila.gov

Phone Number More Information:

215-871-0400

Visit Our Website: phillystreetlightimprovement.com

Zoning Report (Attached):

President's Report:

One of the unintended consequences of the move of the Police Administration and several police districts to 400 North Broad, the available parking on Callowhill Street has been reduced by several blocks, displacing at least 100 residential parking spaces. Dennis to meet with President Clarke on Wednesday, November 17th, to discuss remedies for the situation. Also on the agenda will be the general adding of more spaces to Permit Parking 6 to accommodate residential parking for residents of all the new construction in the LSNA area.

Cherry Street "traffic direction" meeting held where all sides presented their views.

Been a slowdown in construction since the tax abatement period coming to an end.

Plans for the "gas station" that is currently on the to-be-developed Parkway Corp property at 20th and Arch are being revisited. No longer a Center City District project but now with Parks and Rec. Aviator Park is still the intended destination with the structure being converted into a coffee shop but the concern is who will maintain the building and will it just become another place for the homeless population. Area is also getting rough, ie, Moore student accosted.

Dennis received a letter from Nancy Weinberg summarizing her issues with the Reimagine the Parkway project (which we have touched on in our last

couple of LSNA meetings), eg, every space on the Parkway does not need to be utilized (nothing wrong with empty space), the number events held on the Parkway are increasing rapidly, the inconvenience to the residents before, during and after an event are profound, etc. Also, Mike Volpe noted that many of the events held on the Parkway often require the permanent cultural assets, eg, museums, etc, to close during special events, thus discouraging tourism.

8:30 Old Business – none.

8:35 New Business – none.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

LSNA Membership Report FY22-23
October 10, 2022 – November 14, 2022
November 15, 2022

FY22-23 Members – 355

- Residential – 340 (41 NEW; 283 Renewals; 16 Carry-over)
- Commercial – 15 (- NEW; 15 Renewals; - Carry-over)
 - 7 Bldg./Condo Assoc. (- NEW; - 7 Renewal; - Carry-over)
 - 8 Businesses/Institutions (- NEW; 8 Renewals; - Carry-over)

FY22-23 Membership Income – Total \$13,775

- Residential – \$10,225
- Commercial – \$3,550
 - Bldg./Condo Associations - \$1,800
 - Businesses or Institutions - \$1,750

Submitted by Pat Toy
Chair, Membership Committee

PREVIOUS FISCAL YEARS

FY21-22 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 426 (Residential – 403; Commercial – 23 (12 Bldg./Condo + 11 Bus/Inst)
Total Income - \$15,825 (Residential - \$12,025; Bldg./Condo \$2,050 + Bus/Inst - \$1,750)

FY20-21 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 433 (Residential – 411; Commercial – 22 (12 Bldg./Condo + 10 Bus/Inst)
Total Income – \$18,583 (Residential - \$12,283; Bldg./Condo - \$2,100 + Bus/Inst - \$4,200)

FY19-20 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 390 (Residential – 370; Commercial – 20 (12 Bldg./Condo + 8 Bus/Inst.)
Total Income – \$12,935 (Residential – \$9,885; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,950 + Bus/Inst - \$1,100)

FY18-19 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 392 (Residential – 370; Commercial – 22 (10 Bldg./Condo + 12 Bus/Inst.)
Total Income – \$14,375 (Residential – \$10,825; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,600 + Bus/Inst - \$1,950)

FY17-18 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 383 (Residential – 360; Commercial – 27)
Total Income – \$14,280 (Residential – \$10,080; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$1,650; Bus/Inst - \$2,550)

FY16-17 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 372 (Residential – 341; Commercial – 31)
Total Income – \$15,520 (Residential – \$9,835; Bldg./Condo Assoc. - \$2,500; Bus/Inst - \$3,185)

FY15-16 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 336 (Residential – 310; Commercial – 26)
Total Income – \$13,505 (Households/Individuals – \$9,555; Bldg./Condo Assoc - \$2,750; Bus/Inst - \$1,200)

FY14-15 Membership Final Report

Total Members – 309 (Residential – 278/Commercial – 31)
Total Income – \$16,365 (Households/Individuals - \$9,445; Residential Buildings - \$3,700; Commercial Members - \$3,220)

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 11/05/22
 Cash Basis

**Logan Square Neighborhood Association
 Profit & Loss YTD Comparison
 October 2022**

	<u>Oct 22</u>	<u>Jul - Oct 22</u>
Income		
4000 · Revenue		
4100 · Membership Dues	820.00	10,160.00
4300 · Patron-Block Party	0.00	100.00
Total 4000 · Revenue	<u>820.00</u>	<u>10,260.00</u>
Total Income	<u>820.00</u>	<u>10,260.00</u>
Gross Profit	820.00	10,260.00
Expense		
5000 · Events & Activities Committee		
5200 · Fall Block Party		
5210 · Wine and Beer	0.00	532.64
5220 · Food	675.00	675.00
5260 · Entertainment	600.00	750.00
Total 5200 · Fall Block Party	<u>1,275.00</u>	<u>1,957.64</u>
Total 5000 · Events & Activities Committee	1,275.00	1,957.64
6000 · Communications Committee		
6200 · Website	0.00	610.74
Total 6000 · Communications Committee	0.00	610.74
9200 · Beautification & Maintenance Co	0.00	1,000.00
9900 · Executive Committee		
9920 · Annual Meeting	0.00	1,025.00
9950 · Dues & Subscriptions		
9951 · Crosstown Coalition Dues	250.00	250.00
Total 9950 · Dues & Subscriptions	<u>250.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
9960 · Office Expense	39.87	971.45
Total 9900 · Executive Committee	<u>289.87</u>	<u>2,246.45</u>
Total Expense	<u>1,564.87</u>	<u>5,814.83</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-744.87</u></u>	<u><u>4,445.17</u></u>

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
1000 · Cash- TD Bank Checking	46,092.27	
3000 · Pay Pal Account	987.37	
Total Checking/Savings	<u>47,079.64</u>	
Total Current Assets	<u>47,079.64</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>47,079.64</u></u>	

ZoningReport

1776 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

An application has been made for signage at 'The Terrace on 18th'. The variances needed refer to the size of three flat wall signs and their location above the second floor windowsill. The formal RCO meeting will be at our January 2022 Board meeting.

The Applicant presented plans and photos of the signs that have already been erected without complete approvals.

A Motion was made to OPPOSE the request for a variance after the fact, as it violates both the spirit and letter of the law and the non-compliant signs should be removed by the Applicant and replaced. The Board voted unanimously 30-0. The ZBA hearing is scheduled for April 12, 2022 @ 2:00 pm.

The Applicant has requested that the Board reconsiders the vote taken at the January Board meeting and has been granted a continuance of their ZBA hearing.

A discussion will be held on the Tuesday April 12th Board Meeting.

After discussion at the April 12th Board meeting, the Board agreed to continue to oppose the request for a variance. This information was provided to the Applicant's attorney along with a request to schedule the ZBA hearing. The date is TBD.