

December 6, 2018

The 161 Task Force of NABA held at Ashland University, 161.

Attendees: Ted King/Hadler Companies; Columbus Square, Bill Logan City Graphics, Scott Clinger Columbus Police Department, Mary Lutz/Ashland University, Scott Snodgrass/Sun Behavioral Columbus and George Schmidt/chair.

- 1. We introduced ourselves. Welcomed Scott Snodgrass, COO.
- 2. Website: We will load things to the site and point people that way.
- NCC Code: The donation drop boxes continue to be put out unlawfully. Businesses are calling the company to remove them. They could toss them. Unlawful signs are waning due to cold weather.
 a. The NCC Development committee approved a storage facility for the old Giant Eagle. We discussed and felt this is short sighted and not the best thing to have as the face of a major potential development. It could be a hinderance.
- 4. City Liaison CDP: Clinger reported the beggars on the ramps and other places are nearly impossible to stop. It is unlawful for the drivers to stop. He has pulled a few people over with a warning. It is dangerous.
- 5. Beautification: We will have our volunteer recognition at Roosters, 2454 E Dublin Granville on December 18 from 6 to 8 pm . Let George know by the 12th if you can join us.
- 6. We discussed The City of Columbus Department of Development's draft proposal for a 161 Corridor Market study. It will go out to bidders by the end of the year. It includes Sinclair to Ponderosa and the Continent. Should be done 1sr quarter 2019.
- 7. NABA: The Luncheon will be December 11 at 11:30am at Days Inn. Mary McCarthy has agreed to speak. She founded the Women's Small Business Accelerator in Westerville and taught a course for three years running sponsored by the Small Business Association to help existing businesses move up to the next level and expand.
- The plan is still to put the roundabouts in on the side streets to fix the problem with accidents on 161. We still do like this solution. Bill and George are going to their office on December 14 to look at a mock up.
- 9. Ted King reported that Columbus Square is getting the space ready for Value Home Center.
- 10. Scott S asked about what to do about the awful service road conditions. They paved their lot, but the city's service has it still looking really bad. It was suggested to have all the employees call 614-645-3111 and report on the hot line. People shared that pot hole filling happens quickly, 48 hours. Resurface takes more time, but be persistent.
- 11. Alfred Akainyah is our city liaison. 614-645-7964o 614-678-2605c.
- 12. We have asked the city for \$30,000 for work to organize the businesses for a SID.
- 13. Budget: \$60,000 for 2019. 30 for maintenance, 30 for SID development. If we do not get city money we will have a decision to make, maintenance or development. George said he is not continuing down the same path.
- 14. The focus for 1 quarter 2019 is getting the businesses to take over the business of the task force.

Next Meeting: January 3, 8:00 AM at Ashland University, 1900 East Dublin Granville Road

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