

Mordecai CAC 2020

A Publication of the Mordecai Citizens Advisory Council

Mordecai CAC meets on the second Tuesday of each month @7:30pm except July & August at Mordecai Historic Park Visitor Center
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Tuesday, February 11, 2020 7:30PM MCAC Agenda

- I. Welcome / Announcements- CAC Co-Chair James Troxler
- **II.** Approve Jan. 2020 CAC Meeting Minutes (5)
- **III. Police Report-** Downtown District Crime Prevention Officer Robert Smith will update the community on crime and safety issues. (5)
- **IV.** Parks and Recreation Report- Center Staff (5)
- V. Streets Update (Blount/Person Corridor Project): City of Raleigh Engineering Services Dept. Roadway Design & Construction, Senior Engineer, Beth Quinn (15)
- VI. Raleigh Village East (RVE) (Aging in place) RVE President, Sara Strohler (10)
- VII. US Census Bureau Impact and Census Taker Recruitment (15)
- **VIII.** Conclusion/Final Announcements (5)
 - IX. Social/snack time

Next meeting: March 10, 2020

The Citizens Advisory Council (MCAC) uses Nextdoor as our main communication tool. The Nextdoor Mordecai Community private social networking site is open to anyone living or owning property within the MCAC area. Please sign up now at www.nextdoor.com and be in the know!

Mordecai CAC Boundaries:

All residents north of Peace St. and south of Atlantic Ave., between Brookside and West St., belong to the Mordecai CAC. To be added to the CAC newsletter mailing list, call Community Engagement Division at 919-996-4330.

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Mordecai CAC January 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Last meeting minutes approved

Police Report: Sergeant Marx - introduction of Capt. S. M. Gunter new Downtown District Commander Last 30 days - larceny from unsecured vehicle. Aggravated Assault 1424 W. Peace St, domestic basis cleared by arrest. One home break-in. 2 commercial burglaries. Residents have noticed "tagging", emerging graffiti happening on trash bins, etc. 4 State-owned buildings tagged over the weekend, Police are investigating.

Parks and Recreation Report: Halifax Community Center

Mordecai Historic Park - Renovations through April

Free Friday – Jan.17th; tours every 30 min. (10am-3pm), limited to 20 people per tour. Only offered twice a year

Heavy Metal Recycling - Reid Serozi

Curbside Metal Recycling Pilot presentation

Includes any metal not approved by Raleigh Waste, includes tools, home fixtures, etc. Schedule published online that includes 3 pickups per year where carts will be picked up from homes. Idea is to put less metal in landfill, recycle more. 3 steps to register online which includes list of items accepted, link is on Mordecai CAC website.

City Presentation - CIP Adam Haggerty, Water and Sewer Asset Manager

Data Driven Decision Making

What assets are required for reliability

What is the consequence of failure

How likely is failure What other data needed for decisions

How much and when to replace

What that means for Raleigh water?

Focus is pipes in the ground and maps outlining sewer and water pipes.

Maps are the foundation of the Data Decisions, they outline sewer and water

pipes and information on age/location is invaluable.

260 miles of large sewer pipes in the Raleigh system. Too big to fail, they must be maintained.

100miles of large water pipes in the Raleigh system. Failure of water pipes affects health, disrupts everything from traffic to water flow and can be extremely destructive.

Replacing all pipes at once is financially irresponsible. Goal is to repair/replace beginning with most serious issues first.

Disruptions from replacements are temporary with benefits far outweigh the disruptions.

Water Emergencies and Water Quality Concerns: 919-996-3245

Election and RCAC Update - Philip Bernard

November 2018, RCAC voted to approve new CAC bylaws. MCAC voted against these bylaws. MCAC voted to adopt them with amendments. In November 2019 RCAC voted on our amended bylaws and some of those amendments were approved and some denied. For example, we want to maintain current boundaries as MCAC and not to merge with another CAC, that amendment was voted down by RCAC.

Recommendation is to nominate Dana Deaton for Co-Chair, motion was voted and approved. Clarification of changes/amendments approved/denied will be available at next MCAC meeting after RCAC meeting.

Petangue - Kaye Taliana and Bob Robertson

Established in 2007, Carolina Petanque is an organization of Petanque players in NC and SC. The French cousin of Bocce, the equipment is three baseball-sized steel balls and a small wooden target jack. Petanque is played with doubles and scored to 13. A new Petanque court is being upfitted behind Wine Authorities. A neighborhood grant will be written to fund the upfitting and they hope to have the court completed by April.

Announcements: Still looking for a live-stream volunteer. Please join our email list!

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Trees in the City of Oaks

Trees are one of the largest and longest-living organisms on the planet. They are a key part of natural processes and our community.

Hear from Jill Jonnes, author of "Urban Forests: A Natural History of Trees and People in the American Cityscape". She will speak about how trees:

- Create and define spaces
- Connect us to each other and nature
- Benefit the environment by consuming carbon, cooling the air, and collecting rainwater

You'll also learn how City of Raleigh urban forester, Zach Manor, protects trees in the city.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments are available for purchase.

Thursday, Feb. 27 7 p.m.

NC Museum of Natural Sciences Daily Planet Cafe 121 W. Jones St. Raleigh, NC 27601

This event is in partnership with the NC Museum of Natural Sciences - Science Cafe

Watch the event at: livestream.com/naturalsciences



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