

GPAHG SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE 6/23/2020

ADU Subcommittee

Subcommittee Leader: Anne Marie Molina

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- The ADU Subcommittee's current goals are to hold an ADU educational seminar in Pasadena, run an ADU design competition, and to launch an ADU pilot program. Our committee is working hard on these goals and making significant progress.
- We are excited to share that Jill Shook spoke with Bill Huang, Pasadena's Housing Director, and there is a tentative July "role out" for the ADU pilot program.
- The ADU Subcommittee held our last meeting on June 19th and our next meeting will take place in July – the date is TBD. Contact Anne Marie for more information, or if you are interested in joining the committee
- Our committee asked for the fees to be dropped or lowered in the case of affordable ADUs and the mayor and CC were favorable.

Safe Parking Subcommittee

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- Our committee has been talking to Trinity Lutheran Church and Pasadena Church in Pasadena about sponsoring a safe parking program. However, Pasadena does not have Safe Parking on the list of permitted activities for churches, so we are working on changing this.

We started a list of criteria we desire for prospective security guard services including references, company experience

- Simultaneously, we are looking for funding from foundations.

We are putting together a package of items to be able to present to our prospective churches:

- PowerPoint "What is Safe Parking"
- Lot Evaluation/Assessment form,
- MOU/contracts
- Parker Assessment/intake form
- Rules

Congregational Land Subcommittee

Subcommittee Leader: Phil Burns

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- The Congregational Land Subcommittee has been advocating for an Overlay Zone in Pasadena that will allow churches to build affordable housing on their land by up zoning church land and allowing residential use
- On July 8th, the Overlay Zone will be on the agenda at the Pasadena Planning Commission for discussion.
- Currently, Phil Burns is working on an article on the Overlay Zone to be published locally as a means of creating public awareness.
- Our committee is working to craft a proposed amendment to the Overlay Zone that will give churches the freedom to build, perhaps by making housing an accessory use to a religious assembly.
- Additionally, the RFP for New Life Holiness Church was distributed to seven developers and is due on July 15th. We are hoping to find the correct development partner for this church.
- Finally, our committee is actively seeking funding for its highly skilled advisors.

Homeless Housing Subcommittee
Subcommittee Leader: Anthony Manousos
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- This month's exciting news is that a new coalition is developing in Pasadena to address the homelessness crisis. We at MHCH were invited to join this effort in a conference call with Mike Kinman, rector of All Saints Church; Rabbi Joshua Grater, director of Friends Indeed; Anne Miskey, director of Union Station; Teresa Eilers, organizer for Everyone In, and others. We agreed to work together to urge elected officials to make housing a priority. We agreed on a three-pronged approach: Safe Haven (churches working with service providers and making space on their campus for homeless people), Safe Parking, and Safe Shelter (promoting both short and long term solutions: building affordable/homeless housing on church land, motel conversion to homeless housing, pallet and tiny homes, trailers, etc.). We plan to build a coalition of congregations and service providers to influence our elected officials to adopt emergency measures to address this impending housing crisis.

Church Liaison Network
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- Our liaison program is more than a year old but still developing. A liaison is someone who organizes their faith congregation's participation in Making Housing and Community Happen.
- The goal is to have 20 liaisons in 20 faith congregations in Pasadena.
- We now have around 20 people in about 20 different faith communities who have stepped forward to take on the role of a liaison. While most of the liaisons have not completed the formal process of becoming an official liaison - a process which includes formal recognition by the community's leadership, completion of a liaison form, and a of very small financial donation - all of these volunteers are actively organizing and/or attending trainings that we provide.
- Our trainings so far have included how to do one-one interviews, how to tell your housing story, an overview of the Pasadena Housing Element, and the specifics of the proposed overlay zone.

North Fair Oaks Empowerment Initiative

- Our committee advocates to bring attention to N. Fair Oaks Pasadena, a neglected area of our city. Our goals for the initiative are affordable housing, to slow traffic, increase employment and beautify, not gentrify.
- We recently received an \$18,000 donation and will use these funds to hire a Community Organizer.
- After posting an ad for the position, we received six resumes. Our committee reviewed the submissions, then selected three candidates to move forward. We will interview those candidates on Monday. Please pray as we discern who is the correct person to take on this role.
- We are deeply concerned about the 88 people in Pasadena who lost their lives due to COVID. Many were residents of North Fair Oaks. One nursing home was so affected by the virus the city removed its license and relocated the residents. City Councilmember Tyrone Hampton shares our concern for this situation.

Community Land Trust Subcommittee
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- The Community Land Trust Committee has been engaged in a 4-week webinar from Grounded Solutions, a national organization connecting experts with the knowledge and support needed to promote affordable housing solutions.
- Jill Shook and Connie Millsap have had a couple of introduction Zoom meetings with new committee members. Our subcommittee's goals are to continue furthering our CLT education while working to build a strong team for our committee.