

## WOODGATE HOA MEETING

May 8, 2019

### **Attendees:**

The following 2018/2019 Board Members attended:

Yvonne Livingston  
Earla Connors

Diane Nuss

In addition, Omar Montgomery, candidate for Mayor of the City of Aurora, attended.

### **Omar Montgomery's Mayoral Candidacy Presentation:**

Omar Montgomery has lived in Aurora since 2002 and has been active in the City of Aurora, including President of the NAACP, a member of the City of Aurora Budget Committee and 2 Public Safety Committees. The City of Aurora is in 3 different counties (Adams, Arapahoe and Denver) and Omar is endorsed by Adams and Arapahoe because of multiple projects, including serving the city as a volunteer and working to develop/evolve Aurora over the next 20-30 years.

Omar has a concern with public safety, he is cognizant of our neighborhood watch and wants police engaged with all safety. He feels the City of Aurora should be proactive, not reactive about mental health and plans to de-escalate situations which are hostile (get help for assailants rather than arrest them).

There is an approximate \$50M variance each year versus the Budget which goes to the General Fund. Omar thinks this should go to road maintenance and public safety. Consequently, new sales tax growth (from new companies) should go to traffic management, especially managing street lights.

Omar sees where the resources should go and he has the needed relationships.

Omar's goal is to make Aurora the Best City in Colorado and feels it should be difficult for Aurorans to spend their money elsewhere (for example having Aurora High School graduates use the University of Denver as the graduation venue). In addition, he feels there is a possibility to add a Performing Arts Center to Aurora. Omar feels that everything should not be focused on Denver.

The Police and Fire should not be cheated on necessary gear.

Omar thinks that there should be a Town Hall session for each Ward, not just for the City Council.

Sales and Property Taxes as well as Marijuana taxes are all revenue sources. Municipalities need to rely on fees/etc. for road maintenance and Omar thinks that impact fees should increase.

Attendees expressed areas of concern, including:

- Access Aurora
- Code Enforcement
- Safety
- PAR officers change too often

### **Normal Woodgate HOA Meeting**

Board Members in attendance are listed above.

A motion was made to approve the February 13, 2019 HOA meeting minutes. It was seconded and approved.

### **Neighborhood Watch Report:**

Nothing has been seen nor heard recently regarding crimes.

If you have difficulty reaching the PAR officer, please contact Nancy Charbonneau, the Area 25 Head Coordinator.

**Website Report:**

The website is up to date. Nancy Charbonneau is being proactive and updating the website with events, etc. beneath the picture. She will update as soon as humanly possible.

**Finance Report:**

April 2019, YTD Revenue is \$1,080 better than 2018, mostly due to more members paying, along with extra contributions by members and additional sponsors. April 2019 YTD expenses are \$83 higher than 2018, mostly due to GoDaddy in 2019, offset by expensing perimeter cleanup from 2017 in 2018. Overall, net income was \$998 better in 2019 than 2018.

Diane Nuss needs to review Welcome Basket expenses.

**Membership/Social Events Report:**

As of May 8, Yvonne Livingston reported that membership was 119 versus 115 in May of 2018. Overall, there were 134 members in 2018. The HOA will accept any form of membership, including volunteering and donations.

The Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday, April 20, 2019 in Sagebrush Park. It is estimated to be the best turnout in recent years with approximately 125 people in attendance. Many thanks to the Easter Bunny and the many volunteers who made this a great event!

**Newsletter Report:**

Block Coordinators should distribute the newsletter by May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Welcome Basket Report:**

Diane Nuss notified Earla Connors that she needs 2 Welcome Baskets. In addition, Nancy Charbonneau needs 2. Earla will let Nancy and Diane know when they are ready.

**Code/Covenant Report:**

There are about 3-4 less people at Aurora reviewing City of Aurora Code violations. The biggest issue in Woodgate is trash. It is now only a City of Aurora Code violation if the bins are in the driveway or if trash is overflowing.

A residence on E. Wagontrail Place and Evanston had lots of construction vehicles. They were removed by May 5, 2019.

The City of Aurora is redoing the sidewalks on S. Evanston Way.

Issues with a white van on Fairplay and other vehicles in the subdivision have been resolved. In an after the meeting update, the white van reappeared on Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>. The expiration is May 2019 so Code Enforcement can be contacted at the beginning of July, 2019.

If a Woodgate resident thinks there is an Aurora Code or Woodgate covenant violation, they can use the "Contact Us" section of our website ([www.woodgatehoa.com](http://www.woodgatehoa.com)) and it will be reviewed. Prior to contacting Access Aurora (303-739-7000) if a violation exists, we will give a gentle reminder and take the necessary steps if correction is needed.

**Other Business:**

The Dues flyer was successful in increasing dues and volunteers helping in the neighborhood. Not only did the number of "Teens at Work" increase, but others are helping as Neighborhood Coordinators, distributing the newsletter to Block Coordinators and other ways to help the HOA.

Because of time constraints, Nora Titterington was unable to complete the City of Aurora Grant program application. Thankfully, all her current work will make the application process in 2020 much easier.

The Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on Wednesday June 12, 2019 at Cici's Pizza near I-225 and Mississippi.

Earla Connors has changed her contact information. Going forward, she will only use her cell number and non-Mary Kay email. Her new email is [e.connors.75@gmail.com](mailto:e.connors.75@gmail.com),

The City of Aurora will have November elections for some City Council positions and the Mayor (due to the passing of the previous Mayor).

The Woodgate Annual Garage Sale will be on Friday and Saturday (May 31 and June 1) from 8a – 4p. Participation on Sunday is optional. Twila and Greg Harter will put out the banners. Yvonne Livingston will place an ad on Craig's List.

Yvonne Livingston has been in contact with Bear Creek Stables regarding the Hayrack Ride on December 7, 2019. She will send a renewal form, modifying the 2018 contract. Cherry Creek Stables is a backup option if there is no response.

Neighbors interested in assisting with Newsletter distribution, especially during winter months are needed. Area 19 is an area that needs assistance.

National Night Out will be on August 6, 2019. Unlike 2018, there is the possibility that Sagebrush Park will be a stop. More information will be provided when it is available.

**Board Meeting Sign Posting Schedule:**

Board Meeting signs should be posted by Monday before the meeting and removed by Friday afterwards. The posting schedule is as follows:

Nancy Charbonneau-corner of Fairplay and Belleview  
Earla Connors-corner of Elkhart and Belleview  
Yvonne Livingston-Sagebrush Park  
Diane Nuss-corner of Layton and Chambers

**Action Items:**

- The next meeting is on July 10, 2019 at V-Esprit.
- Diane Nuss needs to review the Welcome Basket expenses.
- Block Coordinators should distribute the newsletter by May 13, 2019.
- Earla Connors will provide 4 Welcome Baskets-2 each to Nancy Charbonneau and Diane Nuss.
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be on Wednesday June 12 at Cici's Pizza.
- The Woodgate Annual Garage Sale will be Friday and Saturday, May 31 and June 1, 2019.
- Yvonne Livingston will contact Bear Creek Stables and Cherry Creek Stables as a backup.
- National Night Out is Tuesday, August 6, 2019.