Southland Park Residents Association

Minutes for January 28, 2019

Agenda review

Playground R Us presentation

- Playgrounds to possibly check out to look at possible components:
 - Legion memorial park: good example of an accessible park; no ramps, but ground-level accessibility
 - Wildwood park: Little car tracks and climbing activities for little kids (smart play)
 - Heritage Victoria Park
 - o Canadian Jumpstart PanAm Pool: example of high budget playground
- Cozy dome: good for kids with sensory issues
- Fibar: engineered wood chips
 - Features: will compact over time; may cause slivers; stays cushiony even over colder weather
 - Meets accessibility standards vs pea gravel
- Our playground
 - o Keep the swings, perhaps upgrade surface
 - Retrofit the play structure to meet standards
- We can auction off PRU Jets game in the Budweiser lounger
- Bball court
 - o \$25000
 - Maple Leaf OR city would do asphalt
- Zip line: PRU has a great track record (pun intended!)
- Net plex: PRU is sectional and can be replaced easily
- Installation markup 50% of cost of material
- Grant possibilities:
 - Matching grants are most popular
 - Raffles for Jets
 - Canadian Tire may have grants for accessible components
 - Michael will share list of grants
 - Service organizations Rotary, Kiwanis, Winnipeg Foundation
 - o MLA
- Feasibility of our project: For the size of our Southland Park neighbourhood, we should be aiming for a max \$100 000 project

Councillor Shawn Nason

- No money left for playgrounds for this year
- What we do still have:
 - Community incentive grant (can rollover multiple years)
 - o Land dedication (can rollover multiple years); maybe Dan Vandal
 - There are usually matching ones
- Do parks qualify for local improvements? If a certain % of neighbourhood agree, taxes increase to fund development
- Funds for accessibility equipment could be available through the city or Canadian Tire
- Local business owners may be able to get sponsorships through their companies
- Will the developer work with us to improve the playground?
- Solar lighting would cost +- \$8500
- Transcona ward has a million + fund for playgrounds: Shaun will set up a meeting with Michelle about various ways that money can come together
- Wine and cheese, paint nights are good ideas for fundraising

SLPRA business:

- Fundraising will begin after AGM
- Michelle will talk to Eric from Qualico
- How will we send out surveys:
 - Try it out with 2 neighbours
 - Start with flyers with link on Facebook
 - Then, if needed, door to door sample
- Update/create website
- Michelle will invite the person in charge of the website to the next meeting
- AGM
 - Finances
 - o Review the year
 - Created FB page
 - Garage sale
 - Call for nominations (fundraising and other positions)
 - Survey review

Next meeting discussion points: how do we get the survey out and AGM

Sunday, Feb 10, 2019; 10 am at Tanya's