

DOWNTOWN FRESNO PARTNERSHIP

Clean & Green Committee

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019
8:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

Downtown Fresno Partnership
845 Fulton Street

MINUTES

- **PRESENT:** Cassey James, Jerry Schuber, Isaac Kulikoff, Thomas Gaffery, Mark Standriff
 - **STAFF:** Jimmy Cerracchio, Lee Blackwell
- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM.
 - II. **Clean (Ambassador Report)** – Blackwell reported that our trash numbers are down, attributable to locking dumpster enforcement. Graffiti continues to increase, mostly posters being put on polls/ buildings during art hop events. Nov. 12/ 13 also had a high count of graffiti incidents. More dumpsters are being locked with 9 more being locked in the last week. 44 of 56 businesses (53 of 72 dumpsters) are now locked regularly. There are two garbage cans on Calaveras that Lee is unsure who is servicing them, as they are not on DFP’s list of cans. Mid Valley will report back on these. Mid Valley is still helping to clean up the alleys from scattered trash and illegal items being dumped. Standriff mentions Keep Fresno Beautiful initiative and efforts to coordinate clean ups in Downtown including Adopt-an-alley. Modeling program on Bakersfield. Would like DFP to help identify areas that could use clean up and help contact businesses for participation in Adopt-an-alley. City currently looking to form non-profit for Keep Fresno Beautiful, receiving about \$400,000 from state agencies to help with clean up. Would like to coordinate MLK day clean up downtown. Gaffery mentions Seattle’s No-Trespassing code for alleys and that the city is exploring that option to help prevent illegal dumping and homeless issues. CMAC has had issues with homeless people sleeping on the property. DFP coordinated with the police and security to help monitor and address the situation as necessary.
 - III. **Fresno City Planters & Fountains** – Only about half of the fountains are currently working. Cerracchio and James have reached out to public works for answers on repairs. Cerracchio will follow up.
 - IV. **Security Report** – Cerracchio discussed stats from the police department. Overall crime is down. There has been an increase in vehicle burglaries and thefts this year, mostly caused by two individuals who have been arrested. A CIS security guard was assaulted while confronting a homeless person in one of the garages. The suspect was arrested, but since released. Another suspect had repeatedly broke into the Pacific Southwest Building through the neighboring buildings windows. He has been arrested.
 - V. **Parking Management** – Gaffery discussed the online parking meter app and has said it receives about 300 transactions per day. They are waiting until after the holidays to establish a baseline for use. Smart meters have been shipped and the city is waiting to receive them for installation.

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- VI. **Budget** – DFP is currently hiring ambassadors for 2020. Mention of upcoming meeting to discuss Pro_neighborhood grant. This can be used for façade improvement grants.
- VII. **Miscellaneous** – Add Mark Standriff to invitation list as he would like to regularly attend this committee.
- VIII. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.