MINUTES

October 14, 2026 | 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Jones-Harrison Senior Living

CIDNA Board members & guests present at meeting:

x	Lauren Anderson (CIDNA Coordinator)	X	Ann Scholz-Crane		Lexi St. Clair
	Jennifer Brandabur	X	Pamela Martin (Secretary)	x	Sarah Stephens
x	Kirk Busche (Chair)	X	Anna Mutch	x	Martina Talic
x	Michael Rothman	X	Nick Karlovich	x	Amanda Vallone (Vice Chair)
	Joel Peters-Fransen	X	Heidi Rhodes, Treasurer		
	Mary Paddock Resident	X	Patty Schmitz (Neighborhood Resident)		
	John P	x	Kelan Simmer		

Preliminaries

- Call to Order Kirk Busche (CIDNA Chair)
- Minute taker – Pamela Martin
- Approval of Agenda - motion made, seconded, all in favor. Board approves.
- Approval of Minutes - motion made, seconded, all in favor. Board approves.

6:15 Board Reports/Updates

6:30 PM Committee Updates

- Fundraising Committee Updates
  - Fall Fundraiser & recs for new year
  - Spread out the fall festival and fundraiser.
  - Net raised was $5400.00 – Donations raised the most, great gatherings came in 2nd, and silent auctions was 3rd.
  - Suggestion made to send a short survey using givebutter e-mails to determine how people discovered the Fundraiser.
  - Suggestion to be have a table at Uptown Art fair next year

- Social Committee Update
  - Fall Festival Recap & recs for new year
    - It went well. Amanda suggested a quarterly book club.
    - Thrill Uptown Dance is on Oct 24 – practices are tonight and next Sunday

- Uptown walking events – every Friday at 6:00 pm Lake and Henn under 7 points
- Uptown Farmers did receive funding was received for the next 2 years
- Uptown Holiday Market – no one currently assigned so CIDNA won't participating

- Environmental Committee Update (Ann)
  - Clean Up Events
    - Sunday October 18 – 10am-12pm @ Chowen & Saint Louis Ave
    - November 14 at 28th and Lake of the Isles
    - East Isles, Kenwood and CIDNA created a letter about adopting a drain, but CIDNA didn't sign for
      Several reasons.

- Financial Updates
  - We had applied for 3-year funding; however, city only wants to contract funding for 1 year.
  - Holiday Mart being dropped was discussed. Using that funding for treats on voting day was suggested.

- Additional Events/Programs
  - Community Bike Rides Wrap-up – They were fun and putting more signage out was suggested
  - Morning Dips
  - Add both to mailings indicating start date.

New Business/Standing Discussions

- Mike mentions:
  - Elizabeth Schafer's Op Ed on reduction of property Taxed and would like CIDNA to publicly endorse
  - Would also like CIDNA to support not closing schools
    - Volunteer Appreciation Happy Hour at Jones-Harrison – Need someone to take the lead
    - Update on Ride Assistance for Early Voting (Heidi) – Nothing is really being organized yet
    - 3201 Cedar Lake Ave Parcel + Sculpture Update – No new update.
    - Potential uses for $4,000.00 for South Beach Lake – need Ideas.
    - Kelan is moving and thus will be resigning from the board.

Next CIDNA meeting 11/11/26: 6:00-7:30 PM Kirk Busche (Chair) – TBD

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