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## Jump Start Coalition

2/2/2017

6:00pm – 7:00pm

NLR Community Center – 2700 Willow

### Updates

#### → Metroplan update

- Both Levy and Park Hill have been approved to receive Engineering and Construction funds to work on streetscape improvements in line with the visions developed during the first year of the grant
- Garver was chosen as the Park Hill engineering firm and McClelland will be Levy's firm
- The firms are putting together their scopes of work (including street redesign, buffer, and sidewalk) and manpower estimates
- Community engagement meetings will be held at 10, 50, and 90% project completion
- Bernadette Rhodes, Fit2Live Coordinator, has already met once with both firms and will arrange additional meetings between city staff, neighborhood leaders, and engineering firms
- Project engineering will occur in Spring/Summer/Fall of 2017
- Construction anticipated to begin in late 2017/early 2018

#### → Park Hill Elementary update

- PHE is officially back in the PH Overlay plan
- NLRSD has an offer on the property that will make minor improvements on the property and then try to resell, but the NLRSD wants to work with community on best option
- Local businessman, Steve Winchester, is interested in purchasing the property and creating a mixed use space, and is researching possibilities

#### → UCA student videos

- We will view the three student videos at the March meeting

#### → Reminder: Please 'Like' the Coalition Facebook page, as well as 'Share' things that you think would interest others, and be sure to 'Tag' us in your posts related to Park Hill and Levy

#### → Reminder: Sign up to receive Coalition info by visiting the Jump Start website ([www.nlr.ar.gov/jumpstart](http://www.nlr.ar.gov/jumpstart)) and signing up

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## What's coming up?

- Neighbors United For Levy meetings
  - First Mondays – 6:30 – 7:30 pm – North Heights Community Center
- Park Hill Neighborhood Association meetings
  - First Tuesdays – 6:00 – 7:00 pm – Idlewild Park Clubhouse
  - February meeting speaker – Leonard Montgomery, Director of Emergency Services, will provide info on NLR's 911 Communications Center
- NLR Jump Start Coalition meetings
  - First Thursdays – 6:00 – 7:00 pm – NLR Community Center lecture room
  - 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/6, 8/3, 9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7

## Strategic Plan

- 2017 Key Priority Actions – related to bicycle and pedestrian focused activities
    - Bike Day / Bike Rodeo, possibly in partnership with Ridge Road Elementary and newly relocated Recycle Bikes for Kids
    - Walkability workshop around Ridge Road related to safe walk/bike routes to school as well as connections to Levy Trail and the future 4 park connector trail in Park Hill
    - Investigating ways to encourage the businesses along Levy Trail to connect to it with things such as benches, patios, outdoor seating, etc, and the ways in which the City can create incentives for those interested
    - 5k race, possibly on Levy Trail for at least some portion of it
    - Trick or Trail event on the Levy Trail, possibly in partnership with local churches and businesses
    - Investigating possibility of distance signage for both trails
    - Identifying grants or sponsorships for trash cans/benches/bicycle repair stations on the Levy Trail
    - Bernadette and Jenna will continue working to update the bicycle master plan to reflect: the desire to have a 4 park connector trail in Park Hill, for the Park Hill trail and the Levy Trail to connect, for both trails to connect on to other larger trails such as the River Trail
    - Bernadette and Jenna will continue to have ongoing communication with Metroplan and engineering firms to ensure that community desires are considered throughout the process, and that there is solid community participation at outreach events at 10, 50, and 90% completion
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