

Notes from 4/7/22 RANA Meeting

1. Attendance:

a. Joe Alfonso, Stephanie Elliott, Margaret Lopez, Christopher Frechette, Janey Manry, Anita La Cour, Chris Schepker, Maria Wolfe, Jim Roeder, Peter Rice, Danielle Schlobohm, Lara Trujillo, Cmd Norris, 2 APD Officers, Laura R, Bob Tilley

2. Crime report: 3/1 to 3/31

- a. 2 vehicle burglaries, 4 auto thefts, 1 recovered vehicle
- b. Discussed gun violence in the neighborhood and around the city
- 3. Previous minutes: march minutes were approved, January needed to be approved
- 4. Treasurer's report: \$2665.10
- 5. Guest speaker: Danielle with ABQ Mainstreet
 - a. Associate director for downtown ABQ main street and cultural arts district
 - b. A nonprofit for economic development
 - c. NM has largest number of mainstreets groups in any state
 - d. Takes on project-based things like storefront façade beatification, run farmer's markets, etc...
 - e. Talked about the background or the organization, and their typical duties
 - f. In the works:
 - Bringing in street trees to downtown, pilot project with NASA, due to heatmapping, need volunteers to plot trees with the tree plotter app, end of month/ early may starting date for 6 months of plotting
 - ii. Downtown grower's market starting next Saturday April 16th
 - iii. Downtown arts collective starting up an arts collective for young/ non wealthy artists to participate in city events with a business license and insurance and act as a resource to grow their business and making a database of artists to draw on
 - 1. Survey on social media pages
 - iv. Exploring smaller Wednesday evening events
 - v. Downtown grower's market is partnering with 3 sister's kitchen to purchase the café Oaxaca lot for the purpose of extending the grower's market and keeping it year round and building a new building for a commercial kitchen space for training and product R&D; local grocery shop (farm stop model) building up by fall 2023 and utilized by the following sprig.

6. Unfinished business

- a. WMS Art Project update
 - i. Danielle got us the grant! \$2500 total
 - ii. Project starts Monday the 11th, 13th, 20th, and 21st
 - iii. May reveal and reception for the community, date TBA
- b. More RANA Website Updates

7. New business

- a. National. Night Out Coordinator = Margie Lockwood/ Claire Chavez
- b. Newsletter coordinator = Chris, Wendy,
- c. Spring cleanup is April 23rd @ 10am
 - i. Laura R is coordinator
 - ii. pizza afterwards for volunteers
 - 1. pizza pick up volunteer
- d. Growers' mkt bike valet sign-up Bob
 - i. Sign ups are started, signup on the website/ RANA Facebook page
- e. Run for the zoo on May 1st, move cars outside the zones

8. **Next Meeting**: May 5th @ WMS Park