

# OWANA OWL

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DECEMBER 2018

Hello OWANA,

It's been a great three years on the Steering Committee, but like Kanye says "don't mess up the rotation" so I'm rolling out and an awesome new crew is rolling in to steer the OWANA steamboat. I'm pumped about the opportunities to come.

Of everything that has happened at OWANA in the last three years, I'm most proud of the community building events we've put on, like movies and concerts in the park and our excellent election extravaganza. Plus, we're improving our communications and have big plans in the works! We'll keep putting on more events and keep working to improve parks, sidewalks, and connectivity. We've heard some positive news about improvements in the parks and getting the trains silenced - more details at the meeting.

This meeting is focused on budget and the Steering and Zoning committees for next year. Nominees are listed on the meeting agenda. Each new committee will have a short inaugural meeting after the general membership meeting. Like other committee meetings, all OWANA members are welcome to attend, but only members can vote.

OWANA is all about connecting with our neighborhood and our city. We want to be open and welcoming as a community. Can OWANA help you engage with our neighbors and our city? Email me at [chair@owana.org](mailto:chair@owana.org) or see me and talk.

*Shawn Shillington*  
*President*

**SPECIAL NOTE: See Page 3 for free or discounted tickets to the Trail of Lights!**

# December 2018 General Membership Meeting

**Tuesday, December 4, 2018 - 7:00pm to 9:00pm**  
**Mathews School Cafeteria (906 West Lynn at West 9th)**

- I. Call to Order (7:00)
- II. Steering Committee Members - VOTE
  - A. Renae Alsobrook
  - B. Ted Barnhill
  - C. Orlando Castillo
  - D. Brockett Davidson
  - E. Sinikka Green
  - F. Lindsey Heron
  - G. Marissa Latta
  - H. Ellu Nasser
  - I. Erin Thomson
  - J. Derek Victory
  - K. Pedro Villalobos
  - L. Sean Williams
- III. Zoning Committee Members - VOTE
  - A. Benjamin Serrato
  - B. Brocket Davidson
  - C. Ellen Justice
  - D. Erin Thomson
  - E. Janice Burckhardt
  - F. Jeff Kirk
  - G. Judy Alexander
  - H. John Teinert
  - I. Kevin Sims
  - J. Lindsay Shillington
  - K. Maureen Mettaeuer
  - L. Mike Sullivan
  - M. Paul Seals
  - N. Rosemary Merriam
  - O. Scott Marks
  - P. Shawn Shillington
  - Q. Sheila Lyon
  - R. Marissa Latta
- IV. Approval of Minutes - VOTE
- V. Treasurer
  - A. Report
  - B. 2019 Budget - VOTE
- VI. Supporting Old West Austin Businesses
- VII. Other Business and Announcements
- VIII. Adjourn
- IX. New Zoning Committee Meeting
- X. New Steering Committee Meeting

*NOTE: Votes may be taken on any scheduled agenda items.*

Join OWANA!

Keep reminding your neighbors and the local businesses you frequent to join OWANA. Send them to [www.owana.org/join](http://www.owana.org/join) where residents can join online and business can download an application form.

*Thanks for your continued support and participation.*

## **2018 Trail of Lights**

Trail of Lights is offering OWANA residents two nights to enjoy the lights at free or discounted prices.

### ***Preview Party on December 8<sup>th</sup>***

OWANA residents will receive discounted tickets to the Trail of Lights Preview Party on Saturday, December 8.

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Then click BUY NOW, and follow the prompts from there.

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**December 2018  
Zoning Report**

**1204 & 1206 West 10th Street (NRD-2018-0061 and NRD-2018-0062)** Demolition of 1910 house and 1918 house. Action postponed by HLC until December 17, 2018.

**1108 West 11th Street (LHD-2018-0002)** - Certificate of Appropriateness for new construction of two new condos in Castle Hill Local Historic District. Action postponed by HLC until December 17, 2018.

**1013 Blanco Street (LHD-2018-0026)** - Certificate of Appropriateness for renovation in Castle Hill Local Historic District. Approved by HLC on November 19.



A logo for Austin Fine Properties. It consists of three horizontal bars: a light blue bar with the word 'AUSTIN', a light green bar with the word 'FINE', and a darker green bar with the word 'PROPERTIES®'. Below the logo, the contact information for John Teinert, Broker, is provided: 'Elite 25™', phone number '512.731.8884 (cell)', email 'john@austinfineproperties.com', and website 'austinfineproperties.com'.



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### OWANA 2018 Membership Report

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Residential memberships	289	293	292	285	279	278	283	285	282	285	276	264
Business memberships	34	33	36	32	32	31	32	33	33	29	26	25
<b>Total memberships</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>289</b>

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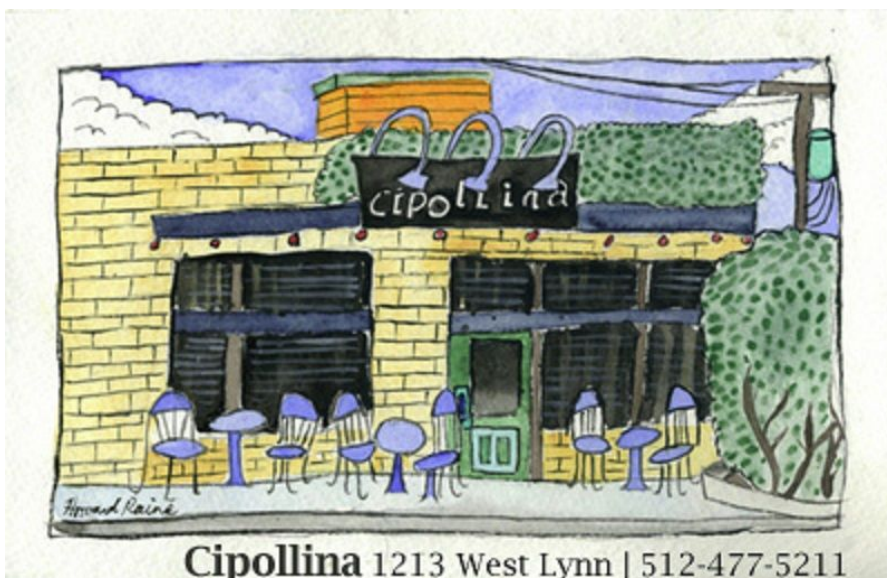
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**Minutes for...**  
**September 2018 General Membership Meeting**  
**September 4th, 2018, 7:00pm-9:00pm**  
**Mathews School Cafeteria (906 West Lynn at West 9th)**

I. Call to Order (7:15pm)

II. Election Event

Candidates for Mayor and candidates for city council came to speak and answer questions.

Mayoral candidates:

Mayor Steve Adler, Laura Morrison, Travis Duncan

City Council candidates:

Councilmember Kathie Tovo, Danielle Skidmore, Linda O'Neal

Questions From Neighbors included:

Q1: Citywide, vision zero seems to be failing, and there is lots of speeding in front of Mathews. How should the city be responding?

Q2: Fifth and Sixth are growing, there are no safe ways to Austin High or Lamar beach. How might you address this?

Q3: Last week city council approved the Smoot Historic District. What are the costs and benefits of historic districts and historic preservation?

Q4: What are the top three things you will get done in your term?

VI. Adjourn 8:32pm

## Minutes for...

### OWANA Steering Committee Meeting Wednesday Oct 3, 2018 at 7pm 1807 11<sup>th</sup> st

Steering Committee members in attendance:

- Shawn Shillington, Chair
- Sean Williams, Secretary
- Pedro Villalobos
- Derek Victory
- Ted Barnhill
- Mike Sullivan
- Brockett Davidson
- Orlando Castillo
- Ellu Nasser

#### Affordable Housing Austin

A representative from Keep Austin Affordable came to talk about Prop A which is on the ballot this year. It's a \$250M affordable housing bond to buy land, creating more affordable rental units, and helping low income folks own and repair their homes.

#### Zoning Committee Discussion

There is no formal structure to the Zoning Committee (or the Parks Committee for that matter). Maureen noted that it was important to formalize the committee so that there is a group that has committed to go the various meeting and hearings, and to provide a contact point for developers. HLC will put stuff on docket at last minute, so often there is limited time to consult with the steering committee.

#### Communications Plan

We can create a shared google doc which contains prepacked preplanned tweets and posts e.g. "There is a concert tonight!"

#### Membership fees

Trying to create automatic annual renewals by gathering credit card numbers though paypal perhaps. Currently we have a three-tier membership options. If we simplify it, we are more likely to successfully get automatic renewals. Perhaps \$40 yearly fee per residence. The lowest tier is \$20 now, and has been for many years.

Motion to set fee at \$20 flat. Seconded. Passed.

#### Logo

Looks great!

#### Committee Reports

##### Parks

We have a Parks Foundation application for Palma Plaza Park for an extra \$5,000.

The Parks Dept decided to pay for a shade structure for the pool and playscape.

The Parks Dept will also improve the 9 ½ st entry, and add a more accessible entrance on 9<sup>th</sup> st.

In the long run, we are trying to build an amphitheater in the park, and that will cost perhaps \$200,000. So we will have to think hard about raising money.

##### Zoning

Cumby may present at a zoning committee meeting soon, with respect to 9<sup>th</sup> st.

## Events

There is a concert on Oct 20<sup>th</sup>!

## Mathews

Mathews will need about \$7,000 for technology and perhaps \$100,000 for new playground equipment. We are still looking into creating OWANA events that are designed to support Mathews.

## Treasurers report

Holding steady. We have spent a bit less then we budgeted for.

9:00 Adjourn.

**Minutes for...**  
**OWANA Steering Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday Nov 7, 2018 at 7pm**  
**Haskell House**  
**1703 Waterston Ave**

Steering Committee members in attendance:

- Shawn Shillington, Chair
- Sean Williams, Secretary
- Mike Sullivan
- Scott Marks
- Hunt Foster
- Ted Barnhill
- Brockett Davidson
- Orlando Castillo
- Ellu Nasser

7:15 call to order

Approved minutes

**Budget**

Ted presented the budget. Several proposals were made to alter the budget slightly. We added funds for events, should business sponsorships not cover all of the costs. We added funds to provide Mathews with seed money to run fundraising events. Budget as amended passed.

**Steering Committee for next year**

Scott and Shawn are leaving the committee because of the term limits (“A member may serve no more than three consecutive terms on the Steering Committee. A term is defined as having started prior to June.”). Two others are leaving as well, so we will need about four new members total. We discussed possible additional members. Nominating Committee shall be Mike, Scott, Ellu, Lindsey, and Kevin.

**Zoning Committee**

We discussed the possibility of appointing a special committee or standing committee for zoning. We will talk about it at the general membership, and let the next steering committee appoint this new zoning committee. People who might be on the committee include: Shawn, Maureen, Kevin, Rosemary, Linsey S., John T., Ellen J., Janice B., Erin T., and Brockett.

We discussed the possibility of amending the bylaws to give more official power to the zoning committee.

**Local businesses**

Smithers Furniture Refinishing have been here for 40+ years and are closing. We discussed the possibility of doing more to encourage local neighborhood businesses. Perhaps just compiling a list of local businesses could help members know what local options are available. We could also give an award to neighborhood businesses at the start of our membership meetings, or recognize them in some other way.

**Mathews Fundraiser**

Ellu discussed the goal of giving a consistent amount of money to Mathews in order to help them run a regular fundraising event. For example, OWANA and Mathews could jointly do a fun run. We are waiting to see what Mathews might come up with.

**Parks**

Ellu is waiting on Neighborhood Partnership Grant to redo entry way on 9 ½ and create a nature trail of sorts. We are still waiting on a pool shade. Palma Plaza Park was awarded \$5000 by Austin Parks Foundation.

8:50 Adjourn.