

Neighbors,

Four weeks ago, we did our best to invite you to a meeting to address the vast publicly held land in our neighborhood (over 500 parcels). The 25 people that showed up one month ago agreed about three main things:

- We should increase our local control of the public land in our neighborhood
- We should continue this process by organizing a basic neighborhood group
- We need to bring more neighbors into the conversation

A group of 40 reconvened on March 8th to discuss how to proceed. We affirmed the conclusions of the first group and established a Steering Committee to refine a constitution that was first introduced at the March 8th meeting. That committee of roughly one dozen neighborhood residents has met and agreed upon language. If adopted, this constitution would establish the North Corktown Neighborhood Association.

The proposed Constitution is attached. At the last meeting, we decided to reconvene this Wednesday, March 20th at 6pm in the Basement of Spirit of Hope (1519 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd). **If 2/3rds of the group that shows up on Wednesday likes this language or can agree to changes, it will become the “Initial Meeting” of the organization (see Section 12). If that happens, Section 6 of this constitution will become operative and we will select an initial board of directors to formally guide the organization for the next 6 months.**

If you would like to help lead this organization, if you support or oppose this process, if you are concerned with specifics in the constitution, or even if you're just curious, this Wednesday at 6pm is the time to show up.

Hope to see you there!

The Organizers

Organization Committee Report on meeting held Feb.27, 2013

Present: Michelle Knight, Olivia Willerer, Zane Hettinga, Paul Emery

Development of local control recognized by governments will take some time. So we recommend adopting a formal constitution and applying to the city to be recognized as a North Corktown Neighborhood Association.

Steering committee Revision from meeting on 3-15-13

Present: Aaron Brown, Freddie Yelder, Richard Blanchard, Linda Bain, Marissa Kresch, Jon Barth, Michelle Knight, Nicole Knight, Paul Emery, Sheila O'Brien and Jon Koller