University Heights Business Association Meeting | September 26, 2017

Present: Darren Cotton, Linda Garwol, Mickey Vertino, Garry Codick, Dan Kelly, Mady Hughes, Anthony Sordetto, Adele

1. Cash Mobs

- a. Grateful Grind: 9/29/17: 4p-7p. Main Street canvassed with event flyers, Parkside MAY donate a basket to be raffled.
 - i. Facebook advertisement paid for and active.
- b. Parkside Candy: 10/26-17: 5p-8p. Will create, print, and canvas with flyers closer to event day.
 - i. Will launch FB ad closer to event as well!
- c. Gathering metrics remains important: will collect numbers from Kamalie.

2. Smart Growth Grant

- a. University District focused instead of Main Street specific.
- b. National Association of Realtors Grant: \$15,000
 - i. \$1,500 from local chapter of NAR.
- c. Looking for a team of 6-8 community stakeholders to develop grant and work through logistics.
 - i. Darren will send out information regarding how this was conducted in Fillmore/Broadway district.
- d. Perhaps this grant could result in a paid position to focus on business programming, i.e. cash mobs, slow roll, community events, creation of a commerce.
- e. We need an \$8,000 matching grant to move forward- Mady will do some digging on this front

3. Old/New Business

- a. Anthony Sordetto is leasing old Surrender building. Wants to reopen under "Main Place" with the hours of 6p-3a Wednesday-Saturday.
 - i. Space doesn't have a kitchen- Anthony is hoping to install one and extend hours to include lunch/dinner hours.
 - 1. Until then, he anticipates a partnership with Just Pizza for food.
 - ii. Approved for liquor license already.