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# WeCAN

# General Membership Meeting Agenda

June 8, 2010, 6:00 pm

Confluence Ministries - 1400 Quitman St.

### Councilwoman Paula Sandoval: West Colfax issues

Denver Police Department, Officers Montoya & Hicks

Announcements

Treasurer's Report

Urban Land Conservancy: Proposed West Denver library and new development at Avondale (West Colfax and Irving St).

# Urban Land Conservancy to Present Proposal

Debra Bustos, Urban Land Conservancy (ULC) Director of Real Estate, will present a proposal at the June 8 *WeCAN* general meeting for the development of two acres recently purchased in the west end of Festival Plaza, bounded by Irving Street between Colfax Avenue and 14<sup>th</sup> Street. ULC will be seeking the support of the *WeCAN* members for their proposal.

The initial site plan for the two acres includes the proposed Westside library on the corner of Colfax

issue 6 and Irving, a commercial pad to the east of the library and 70 units of work force housing along Irving and 14<sup>th</sup> with 150 parking spaces.

ULC cites easy access from surface streets, readily accessible light rail and bus stops and nearby schools and youth organizations as positive factors for building the Westside Library in this location. Learn more about Urban Land Conservancy at: urbanlandc.org.

**Westside Library** - A public meeting for the Westside Library will be held at Confluence Ministries, 1400 Quitman, 8:00pm, June 10. It is understood the Denver Public Library Board will make its determination of the Westside location at the 3:30pm, June 17 meeting at the Central Library, 10 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue Parkway.

**Festival Plaza -** It has also been learned that the owners of Festival Plaza have recently signed a lease with Mi Pueblo, a local grocer, to utilize a portion of the current commercial space.

# June 19<sup>th</sup> Brings Community Activities

June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 will bring a number of community activities within the *WeCAN* neighborhood. Everyone is encouraged to participate in one of the volunteer projects and to enjoy the Confluence Ministries Block Party.

#### Alley Clean Up

The DenverDems of District 4 and *WeCAN* will partner in an alley cleanup project June 19, 2010. Volunteers will meet at 1368 Perry St. at 8:30am and work until 11:00am. Bring work gloves, leaf rakes, sunscreen and water. As the West Colfax Association of Neighbors, known as *WeCAN*, our mission is that together WE CAN provide community support, safety and education with our neighborhood through volunteerism, pro active programs, outreach and kindness, all the while preserving our neighborhood's history, unique character and vast diversity.

Extreme Community Makeover director, Angela Bomgaars, has scheduled a work day for her volunteers for the same day from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Extreme Community Makeover, facilitated by Confluence Ministries, has a large volunteer base and provides regular work days that have positively impacted many areas of the city. To volunteer, nominate a project or find more information visit:

www.extremecommunitymakeover.org

#### **Confluence Block Party**

The annual Confluence Block Party will be on June 19, 2010 in the 1400 block of Quitman St. Medical testing will be from 9:00am to 11:00am and Block Party following from 11:00am to 3:00pm.

Join the community in celebration with music, food, games, clothing bank, health testing, haircuts and much more.

Visit <u>www.confluenceministries.org</u>, or drop by 1400 Quitman St., to learn more of this dynamic organization and its various projects.

# **NIS Inspector Presents Program**

Neighborhood Inspection Services (NIS) inspector, Luisa Martinez, spoke to WeCAN at the May meeting to outline the mission of the department. Among the topics covered were property maintenance, outdoor storage and parking. She also outlined the process of citations from warnings and fines thru the potential of property seizure when other methods fail.

Denver Partners Against Graffiti is also among the services of NIS. Free graffiti removal is available. Visit <u>www.denvergov.org/graffiti</u> to download authorization forms or contact NIS at 720-865-3200.

Martinez is the city inspector for the WeCAN area will take violation reports or answer questions at the following: phone: 720-865-3199, email: <u>luisa.martinez@denvergov.org</u>. NIS may be

accessed through the phone 311 for City Services Denver.

Check out the WeCAN website (<u>http://www.wecandenver.org/</u>) for links to the NIS web pages at Denvergov.org.

### WeCAN Benefit Garage Sale

June 12, 2010

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

# West 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Quitman & Raleigh

Volunteers are still needed to:

- Make signs (Could your children help with this?)
- Hang signs on morning of sale and remove signs after sale
- Sort and price donations prior to sale (If you will be unavailable on sale day this is a great way to help.)
- Help set up and take down
- Help haul unsold items to a donation drop off after the sale
- Sales staff for the day of the sale (two hour shift, please!)
- Donate baked goods to sell
- Donate poster boards, pricing stickers and markers
- And, of course, to DONATE lots of stuff to the sale.

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