

ZONEDTROIT

ZAG Meetings

March Meeting

3/13/19, 3 to 4:45pm

Triumph Church – East Campus, 2760 East Grand Blvd.

Introduction

- The group went around and reintroduced themselves
- The minutes from the 1/9/19 meeting were previously emailed
- The schedule for the project was reviewed and current status noted

Discussion/Comments

- Agenda items included:
 - Progress since 1-9-19
 - Revised website (live 1-25-19)
 - Project brochure (completed 2-15-19)
 - Translation update
 - Project survey (released 2-19-19)
 - Review of community meetings to date
 - Suggestions for additional community outreach
 - Project Ambassadors
- Staff presented the Zoning Game. The discussion included:
 - There is a problem, for example, with certain uses, like too many liquor stores; how do we make zoning fit the neighborhood needs?
 - The need for good enforcement was reiterated;
 - The game needs to add the option of mixed use, including live/work, etc.
 - The game illustrates how to build out a neighborhood, but that is not always how zoning works – it is a packet of uses. It would be helpful to think about what are appropriate uses; ZONEDTROIT is not changing the map; it would be helpful to look at different land use conflicts and how tensions play out;

- There could be 3 different games: teach colors as first step; then if you had a scenario (what would you fill in?); and then if you wanted to combine uses what would you mix (then look is there too much of one color);
 - The game needs to focus on what are the trade-offs;
 - One could draw different scenarios from a deck of cards;
 - A blank slate helps to see what people think; also, starting with at least 4 squares/boards; infill could be based on % of land uses in the City; one could work on an ideal vs. infill;
 - One board could represent current zoning ordinance; one could represent no constraints, etc.
 - Vacant buildings could be included and taken down;
 - The green cards should include a stormwater option;
 - Art related cards were limited;
 - How to develop different scenarios was discussed; it was suggested to decide what point in the future changes would be made – now, next year, five years, etc.
- Next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2019