

**Jennifer Burdick - Re: Broadway Citizens Task Force -- concern**

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Hi Jenn,

Thanks so much for your fast and thorough reply! I am exploring the process at this point, not suggesting that we would like to try to make a change right now. I completely understand what you're saying about the time Jamey has invested so far. There has not been a high level of involvement in our NA and we are trying to improve that for May to ensure that folks in our neighborhood are clear on the discussions taking place and have a way to make their opinions known.

I'm hoping that with greater NA involvement we can be sure that our neighborhood is being well represented on the Citizens Task Force. Should I continue to have concerns, I will be back in touch. Again, thanks for your work and for your very efficient reply!

Sarah

On Apr 19, 2014 1:03 PM, "Jennifer Burdick" <[Jennifer.Burdick@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Burdick@tucsonaz.gov)> wrote:

Ms. Tarver-Wahlquist,

I am in receipt of your email and am concerned about the issues you are raising with regard to the service Jamey Sumner has provided since his appointment to the Task Force in April 2012. He was appointed as a representative of neighborhood interests, specifically for the southwest quadrant of the project area that includes Miles Neighborhood. (Appointments were reviewed and endorsed by both the Ward 5 and 6 Council Members.) The Task Force members are expected to represent their stakeholders as we move through the design process, and to help communicate back to the stakeholders progress and decisions being made on the project.

Jamey invited me to attend a Miles NA meeting in January to provide an overview of the project, and to answer questions. I did not have the sense at that time that the neighborhood has taken a clear stance yet regarding the project, but that there was interest in continuing to discuss it and potentially come to consensus. Jamey has been careful in recent decision-making meetings to state that he needs to check in with his stakeholders.

He has invested over 18 months of time to the project so far; I would need to be absolutely certain that taking recourse with his appointment is warranted. It is important to me to ensure that the integrity of the process is being upheld.

I believe a fair approach at this point would be to provide a written statement of the primary concerns you have, which will be shared with Jamey in order to give him an opportunity to respond to. If the concerns are truly supported by the whole neighborhood by consensus, I would need a letter from the association stating that, and approved minutes from a Miles NA meeting approving the letter as to content (and what the full content of the letter is, so that there is not doubt as to what the NA is approving).

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss, please let me know. I am currently out of state visiting an ill family member, but will return to the office on Tuesday morning and can be available to discuss with you then.

~Jenn

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Hello,

I am a resident of the Miles neighborhood and have a question about the Broadway Citizens Task Force that is looking at the issue of widening Broadway Blvd. There is growing concern in our neighborhood that the resident appointed to the task force from our region is not representing the best interests of our neighborhood (or the city in general), and is certainly not representing the preferences and opinions of our neighborhood. Were task force members appointed with the intention of actually representing their wards and neighborhoods? If we find our representative to be mis-representing our neighborhood interests, do we have any recourse?

Thank you!

Sarah Tarver-Wahlquist