May 13, 2025 – DRC MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING AGENDA **Downtown Residents' Council**

Place: First Financial Innovation Center – 1 E. Fourth Street
Time: 6:00 PM EST
Welcome: Andrew Naab – 2025 President, Downtown Residents' Council

President Andrew Naab called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and welcomed our new members.

Meeting Agenda:

Board Member Introductions: Andrew Naab

Welcome of April – May 2025 New Members: Andrew Naab

Monthly Reports
Cincinnati Police Department: Officer Chris Loreaux

- Officer Loreaux discussed updated crime statistics for downtown. The Banks area implemented age restrictions on weekends to prevent issues, and a repeat offender linked to nine robberies was successfully arrested. He mentioned using Cincy 311 or the non-emergency number (513) 765-1212 to report issues.

3CDC: Marissa Reed, Director of Operations; Alex Martin, Community Engagement Manager

- The ambassador program was highlighted, emphasizing quick graffiti removal and the availability of ambassadors for safety escorts seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The ambassador hotline is (513) 623-3429, and the Outreach Hotline is (513) 498-6192.

DRC Monthly Reports

Treasurer's Report: Tricia Lynn
Tricia Lynn presented the Treasurer's Report. Starting DRC balance on 4/1/2025 was $9,519.37. The closing bank balance was $18,243.03. After subtracting $8,500.60 in committed NSP funds, the remaining DRC membership balance was $9,742.43.

Social Committee: Teri Boland and Lorry Hartley
Teri mentioned the upcoming May 2025 social at Salon Baci, 23 E. 6th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. The social was scheduled to begin immediately following the meeting.

Old Business

Approval of the April 2025 Member Meeting Minutes
Kurt Grossman motioned to approve the minutes, Lisa Sprague seconded, and all voted in favor.

New Business

Cincinnati Parks Collaboration and Feedback: Morgan Rigaud
Morgan discusses the collaboration with Cincinnati Parks and upcoming events at Sawyer Point, including free group fitness and skating sessions. The community is encouraged to participate in the activities and support the new initiatives at Sawyer Point. More information on these events can be found at skatedowntowncincy.com and cincinnati-oh.gov/cincyparks/visit-a-park/parks-events-calendar

DRC Board Retreat and Member Engagement: Andrew Naab
The DRC planned an annual board retreat to review priorities. A suggestion box will be introduced to collect input from the general membership. Additionally, ad hoc committees will be formed to involve volunteers in community initiatives, with the goal of boosting engagement and aligning projects with resident interests.

Speaker Series

Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center: Theresa Bembnister
Theresa Bembnister gave an overview of the Contemporary Art Center and the Metrobot sculpture by Nam June Paik. Due to vandalism and high phone costs, the phone was temporarily removed. A proposal to consult art conservation experts will be brought to an upcoming advisory committee meeting.

City of Cincinnati E-Scooter Program: Matthew Hulme – DOTE
Matthew Hulme provided an update on Cincinnati's evolving e-scooter program, highlighting efforts to enhance safety and operations through franchise agreements, data integration, and testing of mandatory parking zones. Representatives from Bird and Lime shared technology features such as sobriety tests, dual braking systems, ID verification, and safety quizzes to promote responsible riding. Both companies reaffirmed their commitment to community feedback and continuous improvement of the e-scooter experience.
Contacts: Matthew.Hulme@cincinnati-oh.gov, Jimmy Gilman (Bird) at cincinnati311@bird.co, Nicole Yearwood (Lime) at Cincinnati_ops-leads@team-li.me.

Announcements

Margaret Swallow, Cincinnati World Cinema volunteer, spoke about upcoming films and encouraged members to attend a show.

A Know Theatre of Cincinnati representative encouraged members to attend a performance.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 6:00 PM – First Financial Innovation Center.