

**York Road Partnership
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2020**

President Donna Blackwell called the meeting to order at 7:15 and shared a blessing for the New Year.

1. Monthly Business Spotlight: Flight Restaurant. Barbara Dent shared about their quality food and owner Ray Davis shared that Flight is celebrating 5 years on York Road. Dan Pontious encouraged everyone to resolve to spend more money at good businesses on York Road.

2. Northern District Police Major Rich Gibson introduced the new captain, Jeff Shorter, a 26 year veteran. Major Gibson also shared that the recent triple homicide on 43rd St. was a roommate conflict at a boardinghouse with them shooting each other.

3. Councilman Henry shared an update on Council legislation including the plastic bag ban, updates to the late night operations license law, tax credits for multi-unit apartment development, prevailing wage requirement for TIF funded developments, the York Road Business Improvement District.
Councilman Henry shared that the 4th District City Council Forum that he is holding is February 6, 6:30-8:30 at Northside Baptist Church. All the candidates who have filed have confirmed that they will be present. The candidate filing deadline is January 21. Voter registration deadline is January 14 for the special election for the late Elijah Cummings' 7th Congressional seat.
Voter registration deadline for April 28 primary is April 7.

Several announcements were shared.

Loyola is hosting the Rev. Dr. William Barber as the MLK day convocation speaker – Jan 21.

YRP Committee meetings:

Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization -

Youth Development

Public Safety – 3rd Thursdays at 7pm at 5104 York Rd Community room

Business Engagement – 3rd Thursdays at 8pm at 5104 York Rd Community Room

Next YRP General Meeting is Wednesday, February 5 at 7:15pm at St. Mary's Church Hall.

