

2019 UHA Annual Meeting  
January 13, 2019  
Outpost Performance Space  
2:00 to 3:55 p.m.

From 1 to 2, City Planning Staff were present to discuss the voluntary downzoning process with interested neighborhood property owners.

Attendees: 24 neighborhood and area residents and business people, and Bicycle Officers Jacob Dalton and Dorian Dixon and Laura Kuehn of APD Southeast Area.

1. President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order welcomed everyone. Everyone introduced themselves.
2. Laura Kuehn discussed 2018 crime statistics for the area, including an 11 percent decrease in the number of incidences compared with 2017. Most crimes were down 20 percent or more from 2017, except for vandalism, which was up 23 percent. Officers Dalton and Dix explained that they are currently the only bicycle officers and they cover an area from I-25 to San Mateo, so they are not always immediately available, so calls should go to 911 or 242-COPS. They discussed the Problem Response Team, headed by Lt. John Gonzales, which is being formed and is intended to address continuing crime problems. The officers answered questions about police understaffing, homeless, narcotics, “target hardening,” and other issues.
3. Julie Kidder summarized some of what the UHA Board has done during the past year.
4. Richard Hallett presented his concerns about a number of issues, including his empty business property at 300 Yale, the need for more jobs for students, and his views on widening Yale.
5. The UHA letter to Mayor Keller was discussed. Various other issues and questions were discussed, including businesses issues on the 100 block of Vassar, SE.
6. Joseph Aguirre and Ben Wasserott discussed Lead and Coal, including continuing health and safety problems, the Mayor’s Task Force, and the Lead and Coal Brigade.
7. Election of board members: Twelve members were elected, with the officers to be selected by the board. The board is:  
Joseph Aguirre, Marlene Brown, Richard Hallett, Don Hancock, Julie Kidder, Jennifer Simpson, Sherry Smith, Brian Stinar, Marie Trigg, Gene Trosterud, Casey Warr, and Ben Wasserott.