

University Heights Association
Minutes
Tuesday, March 4, 2014
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Introductions – Jennifer Simpson, Sherry Smith, Brian Stinar, Marlene Brown, Julie Kidder, Joe Gallegos, Eugene Trosterud, Gregory Hartman, and Don Hancock. Dan Majewski of Next Door (dmajewski@nextdoor.com) was a visitor.
- B. Call to order – Joe Gallegos called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved.
- D. Approval of minutes from February 4, 2014 meeting – approved.
- E. Next meetings – Tuesday, April 8; Tuesday, May 6
- F. Open Forum – Dan Majewski of Next Door is the new rep for UHA, downtown and other parts of the southeast heights. Joe will invite all UHA members to join Next Door. Experience is that with 50 members or more, the growth and communication will take off. They plan to run a virtual yellow pages as part of ad revenue. Request for Small Brewers Offsite License (taproom) at 106 Girard, SE (currently empty building); Brian moved that we support the request, seconded by Jennifer, and passed dependent upon communication with Nob Hill.

II. Action/Followup Items

- A. Neighborhood engagement grant – Jennifer has the first session scheduled at the Peace and Justice Center on Tuesday, April 1 for 7-9 to share your story. Cost is \$40 for the space. Board members will bring food and be hosts. Julie is creating the flyer, which will be distributed door-to-door.
- B. Spring cleanup – Keep Albuquerque Beautiful would help on June 7 from 9-12 and provide gloves and other equipment and provide the dumpsters.
- C. Neighborhood Patrol – Eugene and Joe took 57 pictures of graffiti in February.
- D. Keep Albuquerque Beautiful trash can – Marlene contacted Laure Moyer of PNM about a donation and was also at her house for a UNM anniversary event. Gregory will follow up with PNM.
- E. Bricklight development proposal – Joe, Julie, and Don met with Allen Lewis and Jay Rembe of the Bricklight Partners on February 19. They are starting the process of developing the rest of the west side of the 100 block of Harvard. There is a California developer that has contacted them about doing a bigger development, to include the east side of the 100 block of Yale, including the Blood Plasma Center building. For Harvard, they'd want to do student apartment buildings, but with the same zoning requirements as the existing SU-1. They would like a parking reduction if possible. They have provided statistics about their parking permits for 116 Harvard – 1 space per each of 16 units – all full. For Bricklight, there are 43 permits for the 46 apartments for the 72 required spaces. We'll let them know that we'll be willing to work with them.

III. Committee reports

- A. Transit – No update.
- B. Community Policing – The March 25 meeting will be at 120 Vassar, SE at 6, a metro judge has been contacted. The SE Substation will do a home assessment if they are called at 256-2050. Joe will talk with some businesses about the Live Camera program which is picked up by APD.

IV. Officer's Reports

- A. President – Is interested in getting more businesses involved. He'll go to the April 23 County-sponsored neighborhood association meeting from 9-2, which will include community gardening.
- B. Vice President – Has looked at the finances for the past 6 years. Might do a party as a welcome back in the fall.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – Dues of \$40 from the newsletter; \$41 other memberships. Interest of 11 cents. Balance is \$2,661.48, plus \$150 from Keep Albuquerque Beautiful for trashcan, plus \$831.08 for trees.

V. Adjournment – 8:25 pm.