

University Heights Association
Minutes
Wednesday October 9, 2019
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Sherry Smith, Jennifer Simpson, Gene Trosterud, Casey Warr, Joseph Aguirre, Richard Hallett, and Don Hancock. Mandy Warr is a visitor.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved with addition of 311.
- D. Approval of minutes of September 4 – approved.
- E. Next meetings – Monday, November 4 at 7; Monday, December 2 at 7
- F. Open forum – UNM President’s “get-to-know-you” reception is October 16 from 4:30 to 6 at University House, and Jennifer, Gene, Joseph, and Mandy will attend. Gene will be gone in November and December and back on January 7.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Lead-Coal – Jennifer, Gene, and Joseph went to the City Council meeting on October 7, along with Bob Anderson from Nob Hill and a couple of people from the Hiland area to remind the Council of their inattention to Lead and Coal and endorse the Road Safety Audit and interagency action. Councilor Davis expressed views that he has been stating to us recently. Councilor Benton wondered about Lead and Coal west of Yale. The City changed its position and has now agreed to the Road Safety Audit. Otherwise, the recommendations are what were discussed at the August 27 task force meeting. The mayor’s office is still to get back to us for a meeting, which Johnny Chandler of DMD said would happen. Jennifer noted that Joseph’s knowledge of the issues is impressive and got the attention of Channel 4 and perhaps the *Journal*. Both Senator Sedillo Lopez and Rep. Chasey are willing to help. Dominic and Joseph have also asked for a meeting with the governor and the Secretary of Transportation. Jennifer is interesting in getting the stories from people that have been injured on Lead and Coal.
- B. Candidate Forum – Thursday, October 10 from 6 to 8. Sherry and Mandy helped with the planning. Some people to help set up will be there at 5. Sherry will have the 3x5 cards for people to ask questions. Mandy has done a lot of electronic advertising.
- C. Neighborhood meetup – October 4 Victory Hills/UHA meetup at Differential Brewery was good. CNM students have been learning how to brew.
- D. Zoning – Next IDO amendments hearing at Environmental Planning Commission is October 10. An amendment would further reduce the parking requirements throughout the neighborhood because of proximity to the Lead-Coal bus line (in addition to Central). Don moves to oppose the proposed amendment to the IDO to extend parking reductions to other bus routes, seconded by Julie. 5 in favor, no against, 3 abstentions. Richard reported that the owner of the package liquor at 2004 Central was a no show at the hearing. The hearing officer said that it’s really not package liquor, so he’ll change the wording.
- E. District 6 Coalition – Joseph went to the September 10 meeting. Future meetings will be on the third Thursdays every other month and the other months will be issue workshops, starting with October 17.

F. Crime – Homicide by Domino’s on Central on September 20; follow by PRT on September 25 that Sherry, Joseph, Don and some of the businesspeople attended. Bike patrol is in the neighborhood on Wednesday-Saturday, and it’s probably good to call the mayor’s office to say that we support the bike patrol.

G. Solid Waste – No update about the transfer station possible sites. Sherry is still reporting to 311 on 402 Cornell and 300 Stanford, which have violations three or four times a week, and she also wrote Matt Whelan about those properties, and Joseph will follow up. Planning Department has sent letters to the property owners advising them to clean up their half of the alley. Sherry will follow up and perhaps we’ll have someone from zoning enforcement or weed and litter to come to a board meeting.

H. ART Update – No update.

I. 311 Coordination – The 311 manager and parking enforcement manager give different explanations of enforcement, so Joseph will invite both to the next board meeting.

III. Officer’s Reports

A. President – Nothing further.

B. Vice-President – Nothing further.

C. Secretary/Treasurer – History Handbook is posted on the UHA website under the “About” tab. Memberships from block party were \$40. Interest was 2 cents from the savings account and \$5.69 from the CD. The savings account now has \$780.21.

IV. Adjournment – 8:54 pm.