

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes

Thursday, June 14, 2012

7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar, SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – Jennifer Simpson called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
- B. Introductions – Jennifer Simpson, Greg Gould, Brian Stinar, Gregory Hartman, Don Hancock, and Julie Kidder.
- C. Approval of agenda – Approved.

II. Presentation on Girard Street Improvement Master Plan Study – Will Gleason of Dekker/Perich/Sabatini, which is the outreach contractor. The corridor being studied is Indian School to Gibson with the goal to make it a more complete street through recommendations for short term and long term improvements. There is no funding for major capital work, but some low-cost options could be implemented. August 23 will be public meeting at First Congregational Church at Lomas and Girard, NE. Initial work includes traffic volumes and accidents. They are also looking extending the street north of the Interstate. Bike lanes are difficult because of narrow street width. The study won't address land use.

III. Additional preliminary items

- A. Approval of minutes of May 10, 2012 meeting – Approved.
- B. Next meetings – Thursday, July 12 at 7; Thursday, August 9 at 7
- C. Open forum – Smith's parking lot needs to be revised since the Lead/Coal work is done. We'll contact the Vice President in Salt Lake City about getting it fixed.

IV. Action/followup items

- A. Neighborhood Patrol – No report.
- B. Spring cleanup – Saturday, June 2. The city truck was pretty filled up, so lots of trash and large items were picked up. The lack of community service workers meant that we didn't have as much labor as we sometimes do. If we don't have the workers in the future, we might have someone stay at the Farmers Market site to coordinate volunteers. We might do more advertising so that people hear about it from email, signs in businesses, and other things.
- C. Fall block party – Ideas include doing something to help draw people since we don't have the parking permits. Plants, food, music, poetry, short stories and other things would be draws. Bring proposals for activities, and the preferred date is Saturday, September 8.

V. Committees

- A. Lead-Coal Task Force and Neighborhood Traffic Study – Lead/Coal ribbon cutting is Friday, June 15 at 10 am at Morningside Park. The mayor and other city officials will be present, and Jennifer will attend. The next task force meeting is Tuesday, July 3 at 6. The UNM/CNM/Sunport Transit Study kickoff public meeting is Monday, June 25 from 6 to 8 at the Heights Community Center, Greg will attend. It would be good to have a UHA point person, as Joseph was with Lead and Coal.

- B. Crime and Safe City Project – No report from the last Safe City meeting. The APD southeast substation sent out an appeal about reporting liquor violations.
- C. Zoning – 223 Vassar, SE is occupied and some parking has been put in. Lovelace Hospital has notified us about a couple of site development plan changes; we'll let the nearby neighborhoods decide.

VI. Officer's reports

- A. President's report – Nothing further.
- B. Vice President – Will be moving out of the neighborhood on August 1. The Police Appreciation Day is July 12 from noon to 3. Greg can go again and Jennifer might attend. Brian moves that we provide \$175, Hartman and Majewski will provide \$100. Approved unanimously.
- B. Secretary/Treasurer – Financial report – Memberships of \$3; \$100 from Lockheed/Martin for Marlene's community service; Interest of 13 cents. Balance is \$2,699.78, plus \$1,075 for trees.

VII. Board election. Gregory moved, seconded by Greg, that we elect Julie Kidder to the board. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Final adjournment at 8:16 p.m.