

# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION

## Minutes

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

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

### I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – Lanny Heinlen called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
- B. Introductions – Lanny Heinlen, Sherry Smith, Jennifer Simpson, Joseph Aguirre, Paulette Higgins, Don Hancock, and Faye Wettemore.  
Also attending were five people from (Un)occupy Albuquerque – Andrew Beale, Erika Estes, Henry Edwards, William Villanueva, and Michael ?

II. Presentation by Nina Bruce of City Parking Enforcement and Officer Jason Matts. Nina manages the four parking enforcement officers. Two officers work from 8-4 and two others work from 10-5, Monday-Friday. The enforcement officers are rotated every month. Nina suggests that people call her (924-3949) if we suspect someone is selling permits. If there are enforcement problems at other times, call APD. On Saturdays, people don't pay the kiosks, so they may start enforcing on Saturdays. They also cite for people who park on the sidewalks. Ms. Bruce has started booting cars with three unpaid parking citations; there is a once-a-week boot tactical plan with two officers who check cars parked on the street. People that are booted have to clear up the violations in Metro Court, then pay \$50 removal fees. If you have special construction or related needs, call Nina and she will send a letter for temporary authorizations. If there are particular violations to report, call 924-3950, which is parking administration. City parking tickets are white envelopes, private lots use yellow envelopes.

### III. Additional preliminary items

- A. Approval of agenda – approved.
- B. Approval of minutes of October 4 meeting – approved.
- C. Next meetings – Tuesday, December 6, and January 3, 2012 at 120 Vassar. Several people may not be available for the January meeting, so that will be further discussed at the December meeting.
- D. Financial report – Memberships of \$2, Interest of 12 cents. Balance is \$2,402.94, plus \$1,075 in tree donations.
- E. Open forum – Jennifer will start an email newsletter with the same content as the written newsletter for people who sign up. Jennifer is concerned about parking in empty lots. Jennifer and Lanny are following up on the fences on the sidewalk in the Bricklight with the city and disabled people. Saturday, November 5 from 9 to 2, UNM is sponsoring an e WASTE Recycling in the “E” Parking Lot – west of Girard and Central. (Un)Occupy Albuquerque members have two issues: (1) they are using Yale Park and would like to work with the neighborhood about meeting space in the area or support with the university for using Yale Park; (2) They read the *Alibi* article would like to renovate the Werner-Gilchrist house for free and use it as a meeting place for the group during renovation. They would like our support for renovation. They also will be doing a march on Saturday from a Wells Fargo Bank to one of the credit unions. Their meetings at Yale Park are at 6 each day. We will put them in touch with the owners of the Gilchrist house.

#### IV. Action/followup items

- A. Neighborhood Patrol – Marlene and Jennifer did some patrolling. Sherry has the bag with supplies; Jennifer suggests Marlene sets up a meeting of those people who are interested to organize patrols schedules.
- B. Gilchrist House – Demolition may happen soon. Sujay Thakur is pursuing a zone change for a new day care building. He did a pre-application meeting this afternoon with various city staff. He hopes to meet with UHA before submitting the formal application on November 23. The EPC public hearing would be January 12. There would likely be a facilitated meeting in December. Several board members do not want to do an additional meeting, so we will wait until the December 6 board meeting to make further decisions. We'll do a flyer on the nearby blocks announcing that meeting.
- C. Annual meeting – Preferred date is Sunday, January 29 at 2, at Outpost Performance Space. Lanny will work on the agenda.
- D. City Council redistricting – Joseph and Don spoke to the Redistricting Committee meeting on October 14. Lanny will contact some of the other area neighborhood associations to see what positions they are taking.
- E. January 7 cleanup – City is scheduled for 8-12, with one truck. They are trying to get community service workers to help.

#### V. Committees

- A. Lead-Coal Task Force – Albuquerque Underground (AUI), the contractor, is in charge of emptying the trash cans, and some are not being emptied. The Parks Department are in charge of emptying trash cans when the project is done. The project has slowed down because of gas line connecting issues. Girard will be closed at Lead from November 6-20, which will re-route the 16/18 bus to Vassar.
- B. Crime and Safe City Project – Sgt. Burke attended the last meeting and reported that they are doing Operation Hot Spot to identify problem areas and target officers once a week. Residential burglary is up and auto theft is down in the southeast area.

#### VII. Officers' reports

- A. President – There are some problems with graffiti removal in calling 311.
- B. Vice President – not present.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – nothing further.

Adjourn at 8:55 p.m.