

University Heights Association  
Minutes  
Tuesday, January 5, 2016  
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Joe Gallegos called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Sherry Smith, Jennifer Simpson, Joe Gallegos, Joseph Aguirre, Marlene Brown, and Don Hancock.
- C. Approval of agenda – Approved.

II. Tree Removal – Joran Viers, City Forester discussed the plans for tree removal, funding for which was made by former Councilor Rey Garduño and County Commissioner Maggie Hart Stebbins. Clay Garner of Desert Gardens Landscaping is the contractor for our project. Joran will be the project manager and has a list of the 22 target dead trees in the parkway of 21 properties. The work likely will be done in February and take about a week. Joran will send a letter to the property owners and will produce a flyer that we can help distribute to the properties. We'll also check about having the mulch dumped so that it can be used in the neighborhood. There will be an event with Commissioner Hart Stebbins and Councilor Garduño to announce the removal.

III. Additional preliminary items

- A. Approval of minutes of November 3, 2015 meeting – approved.
- B. Next meeting – Set by new board
- C. Open forum – Jennifer has been calling 311 about the broken trash can on Coal, but it hasn't been fixed.

IV. Action/followup items

- A. 2016 Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 31 at 2 at Outpost Performance – Jennifer moves that individual dues be \$5; \$10 household; \$25 businesses and sponsors; depending on ability to pay people can pay more or less. All meetings are open to everyone. The motion was seconded by Marlene and passed. The agenda will be having Pat Davis and APD speak for a few minutes and answer questions. Elections will then be held. Newsletter articles will be Annual meeting (Joe), trees (Joseph), Councilor Davis (Joe), Silver Bike Blvd (Don), APD (Joe), 311 and next door (Marlene). Articles should be to Jennifer by January 12, so it can be copied and distributed by January 24. Board members will bring snacks.
- B. Transportation- BRT and Silver – Julie, Joseph, and Don met with ABQ Ride officials on December 22 to discuss the concerns in the UHA letter to FTA. They are trying to get one-to-one tree replacement. Silver Bike Lane report should be finished in early January. Then council staff will meet with Councilor Pat Davis, as he needs to decide how much funding he has for the Silver, Girard, and Zuni transportation projects. He will be looking at initially doing the Yale to Carlisle portion.
- C. Lead and Coal – Paula Dodge-Kwan from Municipal Development attended the December 22 meeting and heard concerns about Lead and Coal and lack of city response. She then received the March 16, 2015 letter.
- D. Zoning – 202 Cornell had the replatting approved by the Development Review Board

(Julie and Don attended), and agreed to notify UHA when the building permit application is submitted. 413 Harvard does not have a building permit and residents on the block are in touch with the city about concerns that the construction of three units doesn't meet some of the zoning requirements. 147 Harvard has a request for conditional use for storage units, because it had a refrigerated unit there which was used for several months by the Blood Plasma Center. The storage unit was removed on December 16. We have asked that the request with withdrawn. If it is not, it was moved by Marlene, seconded by Sherry, to oppose the conditional use; the motion was approved.

E. Neighborhood Patrol – Gene and Joe will do it next week.

#### V. Officer's Reports

A. President – Joe attended the Police Appreciation Day, which Pat Davis also attended.

B. Vice President – Nothing.

C. Secretary/Treasurer – Secretary/Treasurer – In 2015, total dues and contributions were \$208; History Handbooks sales at the Bookcase were \$50; PNM donation for the trash can was \$600; interest was \$1.03. Expense was \$25 for District 6 Coalition dues and \$50 gift card for Police Appreciation Day. Balance is \$3,211.22, plus \$831.08 for trees. SRIC has a balance of \$516.50 for the neighborhood engagement grant.

#### VI. Adjournment – 8:21 pm.