

University Heights Association
Minutes
Tuesday, April 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 6:57 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Sherry Smith, Joe Gallegos, Joseph Aguirre, Marlene Brown, Brian Stinar, and Don Hancock. Visitors are Nancy Gepfert and Judith Kidd.
- C. Approval of Agenda – approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of March 1 meeting – approved.
- E. Next meetings – Tuesday, May 3 at 7; Tuesday, June 7 at 7
- F. Open forum – Judith Kidd from the Water Groups invited everyone to the meeting with Sandia Labs on Wednesday, April 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Los Griegos Center, 1221 Candelaria, NW. Nancy has been calling the city about 111 Princeton, SE and the weed problems, but there's been no response; Joe will follow up with the city.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Mural at PNM substation – Meeting on March 3 with city arts people and PNM was positive. Joseph submitted a proposal to the PNM Foundation for \$15,000 to prepare the substation wall; City would provide \$20,000 for the mural, and UHA would give stipends to the finalist muralists; for which we'll ask some of the businesses to support. The PNM Foundation decision should be in May.
- B. UNM Community Engaged Learning and Research – Traffic data meeting held last week with Joseph, Joe, and Don present to meet with UNM Chemical Engineering professor Greg Rowangould, who proved city-wide crash data from 2010-2013. Brian is starting to look at the Bernalillo County crash data to develop a data base. Joe has asked APD for any data they have.
- C. Transportation – BRT and Silver. Two lawsuits by various individuals/companies filed yesterday against BRT. Joseph is a plaintiff in the state lawsuit regarding violations of the Historic Preservation Act and is a public nuisance, which John McCall filed on behalf of a number of businesses and individuals. The second suit is in federal court alleging violations of the National Environmental Policy Act, filed by John Boyd and Yolanda Gallegos on behalf of businesses along the corridor. Silver. Design work is proceeding, but no new schedule update.
- D. Lead and Coal – Possible safety improvements have been discussed with City Council staff. They're getting crash data and then there will be another meeting.
- E. Spring cleanup – Saturday, June 11 is confirmed with the Solid Waste Department from 9-12, Smith's will help and the Keiths will provide the trailer for large items. Keep Albuquerque Beautiful wants about 40 people to help pick up the trash. Smith's will again help. Solid Waste says that the replacement trash cans on Lead and Coal have been ordered and will be installed.
- F. Fall event – Possible dates are August 27 or September 10. Likely location is 100 Harvard with the Bricklight. We also need to check with the city about parking permits.

- G. Tree removal – Work is done, but no mulch was delivered. Joe has contacted Baca's trees, and they are willing to do a mulch drop.
- H. Community Police Council – Joe went to the March meeting with the North Valley folks regarding use of force policy to comply with the Department of Justice investigation. April 16 and 23 are training dates for the council members.
- I. Neighborhood Patrol – Joe and Gene will do it when Gene is back in town.

III. Officer's Reports

- A. President – Newsletter items were discussed; we'll have a deadline of May 20, so that we it can be distributed to announce the cleanup.
- B. Vice-President – Nothing further.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – Secretary/Treasurer – Additional membership dues paid of \$10. Interest was 11 cents. Balance is \$3,421.53, plus \$831.08 for trees. SRIC repaid the balance of \$493.60 for the neighborhood engagement grant to the County.

IV. Adjournment – 8:26 pm.