

University Heights Association  
Minutes  
Tuesday, May 1, 2018  
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Joseph Aguirre, Marlene Brown, Jennifer Simpson, Ben Wasserott, Casey Warr, and Don Hancock. Mandy Warr is a visitor.

II. Stormwater Runoff Pollution Prevention Presentation - Rachel Pretlow is with the UNM Safety and Risk Services that covers compliance on all of the UNM campus under the Clean Water Act. Rachel does public education so that people better understand that stormwater is not treated before it goes into the Rio Grande and how to reduce runoff pollution. Pets account for 20% of the e coli discharge into the river. She's also doing a public presentation on Thursday, May 31 from 6-7 at the Peace & Justice Center.

III. Additional preliminary items

- A. Approval of agenda – approved.
- B. Approval of minutes of April 3 meeting – approved.
- C. Next meetings – Tuesday, June 5 at 7; Tuesday, July 3 at 7.
- D. Open forum – Jennifer asked about Jennifer, the homeless person, who had been at the University Heights Church and has been forced to move. Casey wonders about the reggae noise problem on Vassar from 2:30 to 10 pm on Fridays and Saturday; he's complained, including to Pat Davis. Joseph will also mention that noise problem to Tony Anella, property owner. Mandy would like for the new business at Vassar and Central to include a marque sign about other Vassar business, so she'll get in touch with the developer.

IV. Action/followup items

- A. Silver Mural Project – Mark Horst has been working on the mural each day since April 16, and it will take about six weeks. Jennifer is willing to help with the party and Marlene will help if it's before June 22. PNM doesn't want to be involved with planning the party; the city will be involved with planning. We'll figure out a possible date(s), perhaps in July or August, and check with others.
- B. Spring cleanup – Saturday, June 2 is the date with the City about the truck to start at about 9. Marlene has asked Winnings for coffee. Newsletter will include articles on the cleanup, community garden (Marlene), Lead & Coal (Ben), Bikeshare (Jennifer), and stormwater pollution prevention (Julie). Deadline for articles to Jennifer is May 15, so that it can be distributed starting May 18.
- C. Lead & Coal – Lots of recent accidents. Ben says that Pat Davis is saying the city resources are stretched, so the study hasn't gotten started. Lead and Coal Task Force meetings were suspended by Patrick Montoya because there were lots of questions about a meeting notice, so the group is again considering how to meet with the mayor.
- D. Community Garden – On April 20, Marlene met with Allen Lewis of the Bricklight Partners, who are still supportive of having space for the community garden this growing

season and discussed locations with water and will provide some fencing and soil. Brian Stinar will provide \$500 for materials.

- E. Bricklight II –Nothing further.
- F. ART update – Pat Davis thinks that the new federal budget may have significant funding for ART.

#### V. Officer's Reports

- A. President – Nothing further.
- B. Vice-President – Nothing further.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – Interest was 13 cents. Memberships were \$5. The Balance is \$4,370.40, plus \$831.08 for trees. SRIC paid \$11,857.95 to FacilityBuild for the wall preparation work for the Silver mural.

#### VI. Adjournment – 8:45 pm.