

# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION

## Minutes

Tuesday, June 1, 2010

7:00 p.m. at 105 Stanford, SE

### I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – Lanny Heinlen called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- B. Introductions – Lanny Heinlen, Brian Stinar, Jennifer Simpson, Greg Gould, Joseph Aguirre, Augustine Grace, and Don Hancock.
- C. Approval of agenda – Approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of May 2 meeting. Approved with correction to include that the comprehensive North/South traffic study would be deferred until after the Lead/Coal project.
- E. Next meeting - Tuesday, August 3 (no meeting in July).
- F. Financial Report – Received \$10 donation from the coupon in the newsletter; interest of 12 cents. Balance of \$2,376.14, plus \$1,075 in tree donations.
- G. Open forum – Jennifer is concerned about whether the new sign at Saffron complies with the sign ordinance; Lanny will check to see if it's permitted, then we'll decide what to do. Augustine owns the houses at 201 and 203 Harvard, SE and got a notice from the city that the parking lot violates the zoning ordinance. He's applied for a zone change to P zoning; the hearing will be in August.

### IV. Action/followup items

- A. Spring cleanup – Saturday, May 22 from 8 to 12. Jennifer showed up when there was no one there, so we need to keep someone there during the time.
- B. Newsletter – Thanks to Jennifer for doing it. She suggests some graphics for next time, and she will be willing to do the next one; perhaps before the block party.
- C. Smith's gas station – Smith's people met with Sherry on May 5 and said that they had a contract to buy the property; that they wouldn't consider a pharmacy or anything other than the gas station for the property; and that they didn't think that traffic and congestion were a problem. They had a similar conversation with Gordon Reiselt with Silver Hill. The impression is that they'll likely proceed with the project. Joseph talked with Councilor Benton, who was concerned about it and the similar project being constructed by Summit Park; he may contact Smith's. There was a discussion about whether a sector plan amendment would be advisable. The next step was agreed to be to have Sherry contact Smith's and see if we can discuss with them their plans to make it more appealing aesthetically and work on the traffic plans - Joseph, Jennifer, and Don are willing to work on it.
- D. Block Party – Saturday, September 11 is preferred date, on the 100 block of Stanford, from 3 to 6. Still don't have agreement from the city about having the parking permits, but we're still hoping that it happens. Brian said that he knows a DJ who could bring music. Jennifer is talking to artist friends. Brian says that some people at the UNM art school who would be interested in selling. Joseph is talking about street theatre; Greg knows people who are learning about clowns. Joseph will talk with Tamarind about hosting something.

- E. Neighborhood traffic – Joseph has a draft letter to Councilor Benton, which incorporates the board’s concerns. The board approves Joseph sending the letter.

V. Committee reports

- A. Lead-Coal Task Force – Meeting on May 11 that announced that the request for bids was going out, with bid opening on June 15. Construction could begin in August.
- B. Crime and Safe City Project – No report.
- C. Gilchrist House – No report.
- D. Neighborhood traffic/transportation – already discussed.

VI. Discussion items/followup/updates

- A. Website/Facebook – UHA now has 14 fans on Facebook. Newsletter will put on the website; and Facebook will send out the link.

VII. Officers’ reports

- A. President – not present.
- B. Vice President – Lanny reported on the city goals meeting will be on Saturday, July10.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – Silver Hill Historic Overlay Zone is moving through the approval process.

VIII. Adjournment at 8:35 p.m.