University Heights Association Minutes Thursday, June 5, 2025 6:30 p.m. at 120 Vassar, SE

I. Preliminary Items

A. Call to order – Vice President Gene Trosterud called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. B. Introductions – Gene Trosterud, Marjorie Trosterud, Delilah Montoya, Brian Stinar (on zoom), Sam Kerwin, and Don Hancock. Absent are Sherry Smith, Peggy Neff, and Marlene Brown. Visitors include Melissa Delano of 308 Harvard SE, Amanda Boers, Lindsay Wood of Nob Hill News, Jim Stozier and Ayoni Oyenuga of Consensus Planning, and Peter Neils (Vice President of the Peace Center).

C. Approval of agenda – approved as amended.

D. Approval of minutes of May 1, 2025 meeting – approved as amended.

E. Next meetings – Thursday, July 10 at 120 Vassar SE; Thursday, August 7 at 120 Vassar SE.

F. Open Forum – Delilah brought up the damaged mural and she will talk with Shelle Sanchez of the Department of Arts and Culture about fixing it; Gene also is interested.

II. Action/Followup items

A. Zoning – A meeting on May 29 with adjacent property owner neighbors, Peter Neils from the Peace and Justice Center and Consensus Planning concluded with an agreement that the neighbors would support a zone change to MX-T and the application would be changed to request that zoning, if the UHA Board also supports that zoning. Jim has discussed the possible change with city staff, who want a new notice to neighbors, but he expects the city would support the amended request. Support for the MX-T zone change was approved by consensus.

B. Spring cleanup – Sherry has arranged to pick up the supplies – gloves, trash bags, and grabbers – from the City on June 13. She'll also have the Insomnia Cookies. Gene will bring his truck.

C. Zoning - 138 Harvard SE Conditional Use request. The application is confusing in that it requests Conditional Use for onsite consumption, but also says in the body of the application that there would be no onsite consumption. Requests by phone and email have not resulted in responses by Nia Harris, the owner. Gene moves that we take no position, seconded Margie and agreed by consensus.

D. Lead & Coal – The meeting on May 8 at 2 at 120 Vassar was attended by Sen. Sedillo Lopez's staff, Rep. Anaya, Councilor Rogers, Doug Small from the mayor's office, and Nob Hill, UHA (Delilah, Sherry, Gene, and Don), and Brigade representatives.

E. District 6 Coalition – Sam attended the May 20 meeting. In the International District there is a walking bus and they have apparently been finding fewer needles. New members are needed for the Police Community Advisory Committee. There are also planning for the 100th anniversary of Route 66 in 2026. The next meeting is July 15.

F. Neighborhood Historic Designation – NM Cultural Properties Committee will consider the application on June 6. Gene and Margie will attend in person.

G. Transportation – No updates about the Buena Vista Bike Boulevard and the I-25 realignment.

H. Silver Avenue lighting – Gene has asked Tim Brown about getting some solar streetlights on Silver, since there are new lights on Silver east of Girard; he's still waiting a response. I. Communications - Sam sent a Mailchimp to announce the May 17 historic designation meeting. He'll also send one on the spring cleanup this weekend. Gene spent 5 hours putting out 425 newsletters, so he wonders about the benefit. Agreed to have further discussion about how to contact people in the neighborhood and the property owners and people on their phones.

III. Officer's Report.

- A. President Sam is interested in getting more trees.
- B. Vice-President Nothing further.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer CD interest of \$22.59 and savings interest of \$0.02. Savings balance is \$1,631.34. The \$7,000 CD matures on 9/28/2025.

IV. Adjournment – 8:33 pm.