

University Heights Association
Minutes
Thursday, July 6, 2023
6:30 p.m at 113 Vassar, SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Mandy Warr called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.
- B. Introductions – Mandy Warr, Christine Boerner, Peggy Neff, and Don Hancock. Absent are Margie Trosterud, Gene Trosterud, Sherry Smith, Marlene Brown, Delilah Montoya, and Forest Danford.
- C. Approval of agenda – Approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of June 1, 2023 meeting – Approved.
- E. Next meetings – Thursday, August 3 at 6:30 at Remedy Day Spa, Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 at Remedy Day Spa.
- F. Open Forum – Peggy reports that various city boards and agencies are looking for board members, so anyone interested can apply. Peggy reports that the San Pedro Main Street may get some funding.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Lead and Coal & Mayor’s Working Group – June 28 meeting on zoom, the City had still not received quotes from Lee Engineering about the comprehensive study, so decisions will await the next meeting on July 26. The City will provide some information about Rest in Red at the July 18 District 6 Coalition meeting and will provide a short summary of basic elements of the program. The tracking of road departure accidents was discussed, as there’s not clear tracking on the police incident reports and then there’s a long delay before the information gets through the state and to the City. APD is working on a new computer system that could share information more quickly.
- B. National Night Out – Agreed that we would participate in the Tuesday, August 1 event. Mandy has checked with Jay Rembe about using the parking lot on Vassar, which will pitch in \$500, though we will pay for the use insurance that they want. Agree to do it. Don will check about pizza and food and drink from the Frontier. Time will be 6 to 8. Mandy will schedule a planning meeting after she fills out the form.
- C. Police Officer Appreciation Day – Saturday, August 19, Peggy will have a table to collect donations at National Night Out.
- D. Zoning – The 138 Harvard Conditional Use for cannabis sales is on the July 18 ZHE agenda, written comment deadline is July 12. The Harvard Mall Partners and R Greenleaf, the nearby cannabis store, oppose the request as it puts too intensive sales in the small area. The board decided to oppose because there are already several other cannabis businesses, and therefore that there are negative impacts.
The variance request for the new construction at 2900 Central, SE (previously Mannie’s restaurant) will be on the August 15 ZHE agenda. The facilitated virtual meeting with the applicant will be on Thursday, July 27 from 6-8 pm. The board will discuss the request at the August 3 board meeting. Housing Forward was approved for casitas, not duplexes, but with a 10’ setback. Also approved by the Council was a city-county joint powers agreement for the Middle Rio Grande Housing Cooperative. Peggy suggested a number of additions to support affordable housing and other matters.

- E. Neighborhood Sign – No update from Councilor Davis’s office.
- F. University Metropolitan Redevelopment Area Plan/Business Improvement District (BID)
– No meetings have been held.
- G. Communications – Mandy will send out a newsletter about National Night Out.
- H. District 6 Coalition – The next meeting will be on zoom on July 18. We expect that District 6 will have a city council candidate forum.

III. Officer’s Report.

- A. President – Nothing further.
- B. Vice-President – Not present.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – CD interest of \$10.50 and savings interest of \$0.32. Savings balance is \$2,662.41. \$5,000 CD renewed until October 29, 2023.

IV. Adjournment – 7:34 pm.