

University Heights Association
Minutes
Monday, August 3, 2020
7:00 p.m. on GoToMeeting

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Sherry Smith, Jennifer Simpson, Mandy Warr, Casey Warr, Gene Trosterud, and Don Hancock.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved as presented.
- D. Approval of minutes of July 6, 2020 meeting – approved as presented.
- E. Next meetings – Wednesday, September 2 at 7; Monday, October 5 at 7
- F. Open forum – Mandy and Casey have a suggestion about a process for a new mural. They suggest crowdfunding for fundraising. They are willing to head up the committee, perhaps including working with other District 6 neighborhoods. Agreed that they should proceed with the mural idea; Julie suggests a mural on the DG alley wall is a possible location. Jennifer mentions that Allen Cooper was given a proclamation tonight at the City Council meeting. Remedy Day Spa is open, but limited to 25% capacity and not doing yoga.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Trees – Tree Giveaway Day changed to September 19 at 10 am. Vouchers are given at 505 Dartmouth, SE, then people pick up trees in back of 501 Dartmouth, SE. We'll email to people that got trees in the spring and email to the neighborhood list.
- B. Neighborhood events and meet ups – Decided not to do anything other than the tree giveaway.
- C. Parking Permits – The City significantly changed the system without notifying anyone, including signing a contract with Passport Parking to issue the permits and provide the hardware and software for enforcement. Because of neighborhood objections, the no fee permits issued by the City will still be maintained along with the online fees of \$25, plus \$2.70 charge. Fair West Neighborhood has followed up with Councilor Davis and others to try to get further justification for the changes, as well as a meeting to discuss how to improve the system. We're still awaiting responses.
- D. District 6 Coalition – Mandy reported on the meeting on Tuesday, July 21. Pat Davis talked about the permit parking fee issue, the new library in La Mesa, park upgrades, Black Leadership summer camp during covid-19, and budget issues. Commissioner Jim Collie introduced the commissioner-elect Adrian Barboa and discussed criminal justice and other issues. APD Commander Johnny Yara discussed abandoned properties and the bike patrol. Bike officers are patrolling at Remedy Day Spa. Laura Kuehn of APD reported on National Night Out on October 6. The Mayor discussed covid-19 actions, the Gateway Center, shop and dine options of closing streets, the ART San Pedro stop will be finished, an international district super market. On Lead and Coal, the mayor said that the city has approved a second safety audit, which is at MRCOG. He also said that he'd consider something like a Santa Fe ticket van for Lead and Coal.
- E. Lead and Coal – Jennifer reported on an accident at 4 am by her house last week. On July 17, Julie sent our letter to Pete Belletto, and District 6 Coalition sent a letter to the Mayor,

asking for renewed consultation with the neighborhoods, and the subject was discussed with the mayor at the District 6 meeting on July 21.

F. Zoning – At 409 Harvard, SE, Jonathan Turner stated that he will maintain the existing large elm tree. We're still awaiting the revised site plan, which we're supposed to get before the variance goes to the Design Review Board because the front parking doesn't comply with all IDO requirements. The City Council today may consider an amendment to the Active Streets Ordinance to allow use of streets from commercial activities during the pandemic. Land Use Committee may meet on August 12 and 26, to discuss the Planning Assessment Order and the IDO amendments. Councilor Davis is supporting two amendments – one to not apply the further off-street parking reductions to the Sector Plan area and second to include solar access provisions in the R-ML zone, with some revisions similar to what's been in IDO.

G. Fall cleanup – Saturday, October 31 is confirmed with the city. Gene and his truck probably won't be here for the cleanup.

H. Solid waste – Continuing problems with neighborhood dumpsters, but Solid Waste is unresponsive.

III. Officer's Reports

A. President – Nothing further.

B. Vice-President – Not present.

C. Secretary/Treasurer – Interest was \$0.41 on the CD and \$0.01 on savings account. Savings account balance is \$1,005.91. \$5,000 CD matures on October 29, 2020.

IV. Adjournment – 8:22 pm.