

University Heights Association
Minutes
Tuesday, September 5, 2017
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Marlene Brown, Jennifer Simpson, Ben Wasserott, Ryan Sindon, Joseph Aguirre, Gene Trosterud, and Don Hancock. Peggy Neff at 319 Princeton, SE and Richard Hallett are visitors.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved with adding District 6 Coalition.
- D. Approval of minutes of August 1 meeting – approved.
- E. Next meetings - Tuesday, October 3 at 7; Tuesday, November 7 at 7.
- F. Open forum – Ryan called 311 about re-paving on the alley between Vassar and Girard on the 200 block. Peggy is interested in homeless issues, mayoral candidates, and zoning, she has been involved in the District 4 Coalition and thinks this is a critical time with the mayoral election.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Silver Mural Project – Mayoral signoff in process, then wall prep work contract.
- B. Zoning – DR Text Amendment; IDO. At August 30, LUPZ hearing, Jim Strozier's revised DR text amendment was deferred at his request to the September 13 hearing, when responses to IDO comments will also be heard. Victory Hills did not object to the conditional use for manufacturing beer at 500 Yale, SE, UHA made no comment, and the conditional use was approved.
- C. Lead and Coal/Greater Central Avenue Meetings – Ben has sent an email to nearby neighborhood associations and has gotten some, mostly negative, responses to two-way streets. Joseph wonders whether UHA wants to continue emphasizing the health and safety issues, the general answer is yes. Joseph will circulate the revised R-177 Council resolution and make suggestions about whether we should put some comments before the September 18 hearing.
- D. Bricklight II demolitions – They do not have new drawings, but do want to proceed with demolishing or moving the four buildings on the west side of Harvard south of the existing Bricklight I. They are willing to donate any of the buildings, if someone wants to move them. They would like to use the cleared area for additional parking with access only from the alley. We'd like them to consider leaving some space for a community garden.
- E. Crime, including at Bricklight – Scheduled press conference to announce new security measures has been delayed, though horse patrol is coming through more frequently and there are supposed to be more undercover policing in the area.
- F. 418 Yale, SE air emissions and zoning code concerns – Environmental Health says that there aren't violations, but have encouraged the owners to make some voluntary changes, which haven't been done. Code enforcement was supposed to check for possible zoning violations.
- G. ART Update – Councilor Lewis' revised R-177 resolution was significantly amended by Councilor Davis, so Lewis doesn't support it. Councilor Harris may work on a revised resolution for the Council meeting on September 18.

H. District 6 Coalition – Gina Dennis, the new president, is very enthusiastic about changing the bylaws, possibly going to monthly meetings, and there was lots of debate and arguments. Approval of \$200 to file an appeal of the liquor license at the 7-11 at Lomas and Washington. The next meeting is Wednesday, September 20 at 6 with a potluck dinner – Jennifer, Ben, and Ryan may be able to go.

III. Officer's Reports

A. President –Nothing further.

B. Vice-President – Nothing further.

C. Secretary/Treasurer – Interest was 12 cents; Memberships were \$5. Balance is \$3,707.42, plus \$831.08 for trees. SRIC still has the \$15,000 from the PNM Foundation for the mural project.

IV. Adjournment – 8:47 pm.