

University Heights Association
Minutes
Tuesday, November 1, 2016
7:00 p.m. at 120 Vassar SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – Vice President Julie Kidder called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- B. Introductions – Julie Kidder, Sherry Smith, Brian Stinar, Joseph Aguirre, Gene Trosterud, and Don Hancock. Nancy Baca was a guest.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of October 4 meeting. Approved.
- E. Next meetings – Tuesday, December 6; Tuesday, January 10, 2017. December holiday party at Sherry's on December 16 at 7.
- F. Open forum – Nancy Baca introduced herself as the newly appointed CNM Governing Board member from District 5. She lives near Monte Vista School and has been a journalist. She welcomes neighborhood input. Don reported that Brian Keith is working to resolve the trash, drug dealing, and parking problems at the old Valero gas station.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Notify City of changed contact persons – Joe Gallegos has resigned as President. Julie was unanimously elected President. Don will be the second contact with the City until the 2017 annual meeting.
- B. Transportation – BRT and Silver. ART problem with UNM re-routing the south lot shuttle from Yale to Stanford has been fixed and hopefully won't happen during further construction. The UNM Transit-Oriented Development meeting is Friday, November 4 at 10; Joseph and Don will attend. The Silver improvement project continues, as sidewalk striping and the southeast corner sidewalk have been completed at Cornell. Construction remains for the bulbout at PNM substation and at Girard. The board supports having stop signs at all north-south streets, including the roundabouts, rather than four-way yields.
- C. Bricklight II – No word yet on revised plans.
- D. Mural at PNM substation – The first meeting of the selection committee happened. They are working on the prospectus, which will be a regional (New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and California). We'll solicit nearby businesses and apartment owners for the \$2,000 for the stipends for the artists.
- E. Gilchrist property – Since the building permit was turned down, they have filed for four-lot-size variances to allow eight units. The hearing is on Thursday, November 17 in the afternoon. Brian moves our opposition and submission of a similar letter to our 2015 letter to the ZHE; unanimously approved.
- F. Comprehensive Plan/IDO – Draft comments were reviewed and approved unanimously.
- G. Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 29, 2017 at the Outpost at 1. We'll invite Councilor Davis and others. We may have APD and Bricklight or others. Newsletter articles will include Silver (Gene), ART (Don), mural project (Joseph) and annual meeting (Sherry) to be sent to Julie by January 6.
- H. 416 Yale, SE Appeal – The board conducted an email vote from October 14-17 and voted by 8-0 to appeal the conditional use approval for a drive-through window. The Board of Appeals hearing is on Tuesday, November 22 at 9.

- I. Lead and Coal – Don has asked for an explanation of why the re-stripped Zuni doesn't have time stoplights for the 30 mph, as is the case on Lead and Coal. We'd like to know which is more effective in slowing down traffic. There's been a partial response from Andrew Webb with City Council, with more information forthcoming.

III. Officer's Reports

- A. President – Nothing further
- B. Vice President – Vacant.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – Interest was 11 cents. 416 Yale, SE appeal was \$105. Balance is \$3,387.29, plus \$831.08 for trees. SRIC has received the \$15,000 from the PNM Foundation for the mural project.

IV. Adjournment – 8:30 pm.