

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes

Tuesday, November 2, 2010

7:00 p.m. at 105 Stanford, SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – Sherry Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- B. Introductions – Sherry Smith, Lanny Heinlen, Jennifer Simpson, Joseph Aguirre, Marlene Brown, Augustine Grace, and Don Hancock.
- C. Approval of agenda – Approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of October 5 meeting – approved with one correction.
- E. Next meeting – Tuesday, December 7 at 6 is holiday party at Sherry’s house. Marlene and Sherry will make latkes, apple sauce and sour cream, desserts, chile. The final board meeting will be on Tuesday, January 4, 2011.
- F. Financial Report – Sherry’s neighbors contributed another \$10, plus 12 cents interest. The balance is \$2,410.72, plus \$1,075 in tree donations.
- G. Open forum – Marlene’s American Solar Energy Institute isn’t going to form, but she will continue to teach classes. There wasn’t notice about the Race to the Top, which severely affected neighborhood traffic.

II. Action/followup items

- A. Alternative event to the Block Party – Augustine and Brian haven’t gotten together yet.
- B. Neighborhood cleanup – City has confirmed for December 11 from 8-12 to do large item pickup on the streets, but we won’t have a truck at Farmer’s Market.
- C. Annual meeting – Sunday, January 30, 2011, hopefully at Outpost Performance at 2 to 4. Agenda possibilities – Lead and Coal, Crime, Mayor’s office, Ike Benton, Gail Chasey and we’ll have potluck food and drink.
- D. Gilchrist House – The request to demolish the house has still not been filed. The earliest hearing date is January 12, 2011. The timing of the zone change request for the child care center also is unknown. Augustine has asked the owners for a list price for the two lots and house and for the four lots and then for 30 days to make an offer, and he is awaiting response. Augustine would be doing a renovation for about residential, office, and coffee shop operation, which would require a zone change for the coffee shop. The neighborhood meeting was held on October 18 at the Peace and Justice Center. Five board members, six people from Build New Mexico, and 8 neighbors were present. There continues to be a lot of concern about leaving things as they are. No justification has been provided for the child care center, which also isn’t defined in the zoning ordinance, so it will presumably be a “day care center” which is permissive in C-1 or O-1 zones. Jennifer moves to oppose the current plans for demolition and a zone change for a child care/day care center, seconded by Marlene, and approved unanimously, with Augustine abstaining.
- E. Other zoning issues – Zoning Enforcement has again cited the Saffron signs that don’t have permits, and on Thursday they will be a court case filed. Ben McIntosh is the new inspector who is still working on Bricklight fences. Jennifer moves to oppose

the Blood Plasma Center request for an expansion of the non-conforming use, which passes unanimously.

III. Committee reports

- A. Lead-Coal Task Force – The Task Force next meeting is on November 16. On November 8, Lead will be switched to two-way. Send inquiries to www.leadandcoal.com
- B. Crime and Safe City Project – Safe City hasn't met.
- C. Neighborhood traffic/transportation – Nothing more.

IV. Discussion items/followup/updates

- A. Website/Facebook – Website is up.

V. Officers' reports

- A. President – nothing further.
- B. Vice President – nothing further.
- C. Secretary/Treasurer – nothing further.

VI. Adjournment at 8:15 p.m.