

University Heights Association
Minutes
Thursday, December 4, 2025
6:30 p.m. at 120 Vassar, SE

I. Preliminary Items

- A. Call to order – President Sam Kerwin called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.
- B. Introductions – Brian Stinar, Sherry Smith, Sam Kerwin, Gene Trosterud, and Don Hancock. Absent are Marlene Brown, Margie Trosterud, Delilah Montoya, and Peggy Neff.
- C. Approval of agenda – approved.
- D. Approval of minutes of November 6, 2025 meeting – approved.
- E. Next meetings – January 8, 2026 at 120 Vassar SE. New board elected at the annual meeting will decide about the next board meeting after the annual meeting.
- F. Open Forum – Sherry wonders about rules for the scooters and where they can travel, as they are often on sidewalks and being ridden on sidewalks. They are also not regularly picked up. There was a fire at Carraros on Thanksgiving night, and the building is a total loss. Brian reported that he's in a project with Makers Space for solar carports for EVs.

II. Action/Followup items

- A. Mural at PNM Substation – Delilah and Sam attended the City Arts Board meeting on November 15. They persuaded the city to pay \$2,000 for the restoration. The city is paying from an existing contract with the muralist. Erin De Rosa, the muralist, is about half through with the restoration and will be working this weekend. We'll do some kind of rededication when it's completed.
- B. 2026 Annual Meeting Date – January 25 at the Outpost Space is confirmed. Councilor Rogers has been invited, but hasn't responded. Invites will go to APD, Sen. Sedillo Lopez and Rep. Anaya. Agenda will be finalized at the January board meeting; Brian may be able to discuss his new homeless shelter tool. Newsletter articles are due by January 10 and will include articles about the annual meeting, historic designation, mural, and twilight market.
- C. District 6 Coalition – No one from UHA attended the November meeting, which was at the same time as the City Arts Board meeting. Next meeting is on January 20, 2026 from 6-8 pm and Gene will plan to attend.
- D. Silver Avenue lighting – Gene has received no response from Tim Brown. Sam asked Councilor Rogers to contact DMD, and he hasn't heard any response. Gene hopes that we could also get signs about the historic district.
- E. Trees – No update. Gene suggests that we again split the trees with another neighborhood as we did the last time.
- F. Lead and Coal – There has still been no communication with the Lead-Coal Working Group, and few people received the survey. After the election we'll work on next steps.
- G. Communications – Sam will do an email blast with the newsletter in January to help get people to attend the Annual Meeting.

III. Officer's Reports.

- A. President – JB Gold emailed Sam today about the empty lot by Smith's on Yale.
- B. Vice-President – Nothing further.

C. Secretary/Treasurer – Donations of \$25.00, CD interest of \$23.94 and savings interest of \$0.01. Savings balance is \$1,694.20, which doesn't include the \$1,500 Frontier check for the mural restoration, which was received in December. The \$7,000 CD matures on January 18, 2026.

IV. Adjournment – 7:36 pm.