

Sam Hughes Neighborhood Association (SHNA, Inc)
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
April 21, 2015
Himmel Park Library

Attending: Rick Bell, Carolyn Classen, Bill Craig, John O'Dowd, Mary Pflibsen, Gail Schuessler

Absent: Lu Ann Barr, Janett Carbajal, Jim Head, Philip Mueller, John Wilder

Guests/Visitors: Denice Blake, JD Garcia, Allison Miller (Ward 6),

Agenda

7:04pm Call to Order/Roll Call/ Introductions

7:04pm Call to Law Enforcement/ Public Guests/Audience (2 min) - Allison spoke on Palms Shadows plan for a traffic study. No date exists for development yet.

7:08pm Presentation: Broadway Corridor - JD Garcia, Broadway Coalition supplied copies of a Broadway Born Modern and the Broadway Coalition project updates. He thanked SHNA for the financial support and attendance. He and Mary then showed some renderings of the corridor and its buildings. The concepts showed a narrower ROW utilizing as many of the existing buildings and landscaping as possible. Gene Kaywood was supported in part by the SHNA gift to develop this alternative narrower concept. He is now working with the COT design team in developing concepts for presentation at the public meeting.

Mary reported how the Broadway Coalition brought Gene Kaywood into the process to show a much narrower alternative. This then motivated the CTF to agree on moving forward with a much narrower plan. Mary reported that the CTF must approve the plan and then Mayor and council prior to the COT approaching businesses on Broadway.

7:20 Q&A: Broadway Corridor - JD Garcia, Broadway Coalition

Guest Bob Hutchinson shared what information had been used to support the wider roadway. JD Garcia and Rick Bell summarized how the RTA bond vote had resulted in the original widening plan.

7:25pm Report: SHNA Home Tour 2015 - Denice Blake, Home tour committee, Bobby Hutchinson also present is a member of the committee. They printed 1,000 tickets, gave out 70 to volunteers. They sold 900 for the tour. They netted \$17,500 which is \$4,000 more than any previous tour. Denice reported that good PR, a better economy, and other means may explain the increase. Denice reported they already have 9 residences offered for the next home tour. Many comments were received about the variety of homes and businesses on the tour. This tour had younger homeowners and tour participants. KGUN 9 and the Star both provided excellent coverage of the tour.

Rick offered the SHNA board's thanks for such an exceptional tour. He reported that the participants commented very positively on the tour. He offered the board's continuing support for the tour.

Himmel park beautification has had \$1288.25 in cash donated since the tour. The tour raised \$10,000 which is earmarked for the Himmel Library beautification. Denice requested the envelopes for the donations to the project. With another \$5,000 they would be in a place to begin this fall. The committee has a \$2,000 matching fund available till the end of the month. They have created bike stands with library related words: read, think, books, play, snoop, and WiFi. Ned Egan has provided welding and metal materials to create the first three of the bike stands. Bill Craig pointed out that Ned Egan has finished all 8 of the bike racks for the Himmel Park beautification.

7:30pm Q&A: SHNA Home Tour 2015 - Denice Blake

7:45pm March Minutes: Review for Approval - Three corrections were noted: Janett Carbajal spelling, Mary Pflibsen was not absent, John Beall, Principal Planner. John O moved acceptance with changes, Bill Craig seconded, minutes unanimously approved.

7:50 pm Treasurer's Report (Bob Vint) - No report as Jim Head is away on travel.

7:52pm 2015 Budget Jim & Rick - Rick recommended that the 2015 budget follow the 2014 as a guideline.

7:53pm Passed Motions Audit (Aug-Nov) - Deferred

WPHT Deposit - Jim

*PayPal, Acct - Jim & John W

*PayPal, Non-Profit Rate - Jim & John W.

7:54pm MOU w/ COT re WPHT - Jim

John O. suggested that the board consider getting some professional support (planner) to assist in the further development of the property. Bill Craig suggested that a subcommittee be formed to investigate WPHT development further. Rick pointed out that he and John are the two remaining WPHT committee. He recounted some of the concepts that were considered in the past. Water theme was one focus area considered: xeriscape, history of the WPHT among others. Bill Craig offered to participate on the committee. "Keep on Pumping"

8:05pm *Palm Shadows Manifesto (COT DOT) - Rick reported that Jim Head has drafted a document summarizing SHNA's list of concerns and information the board has collected on the development. Bill Craig has reported that the development project has progressed more slowly in recent months. Rick polled the board to ask if they wished to discuss the document at the board meeting or study it and discuss it at a future date.

Rick polled the board members on their Palm Shadows development concerns. Bill Craig is not strongly against the scale of the development. He is concerned about traffic, sewer and water run-off mitigation. Rick indicated he was more interested in a smaller development (i.e. 10 stories vs 20 stories). Mary thinks it could be exciting if done well. John O expressed concern that this development and the Banner development are not better coordinated. Gail expressed concern about the scale of traffic impact on the already heavily utilized intersection. She has seen articles on a Phoenix commercial dormitory which has created significant problems. Carolyn is also concerned about the large scale of the development and its impact.

Rick reiterated that the Palm Shadow's document summarizes much of the SHNA board thinking on this development. He is concerned that the board may miss the opportunity to communicate its points of view. Gail suggested that a resident age restriction might serve as a useful guide/recommendation. The board agreed that they would send their comments to Rick for consolidation in the current document.

Bill Craig pointed out that the Banner Health development appears to be moving forward quickly and that this may be a more pressing concern. He reminded the board that they will need to prepare a PAD for submission to the COT.

8:53pm *Goals - Rick asked if members got the goals document. Discussion is being tabled.

8:40pm *Sam Hughes School donation - Rick reported that he had noted that the picnic tables at the school are in poor shape. It was discussed that SHNA might purchase materials and volunteers renovate the tables.

Committee/Reports(3 min)

8:42pm*BWC - Mary noted a public meeting Thursday, April 23, at Sabar Shrine. Mary strongly encouraged the board members to attend the public meeting on April 23. June 9th is the Mayor and Council meeting to receive the CTF recommendation.

8:45pm Spring Fling - Bill transmitted email from Amanda Lester thanking the SHNA for its participation. It received \$72,000 in net revenue.

8:48pm *WPHT Sign - John O

8:51pm *Casitas Park: Clean-up - Janet

8:54pm Topics for Future Meetings

Banner- UMC/Neighborhood Networks / Passed Motions Audit (Dec-March)/Himmel Pool

9:04pm Adjournment Bill Craig moved, Mary seconded, unanimously approved.

*Items to be table if the meeting is running behind schedule.