



DRAFT MINUTES

Mission Hills Town Council Trustee Meeting

Thursday, May 14, 2009 6:00 p.m.
Francis Parker School, 4201 Randolph St

6:03 p.m. Call to Order – PRESIDENT Kathy Jones
Attendance – recognition of Quorum. Present were Trustees: Jones, Fehlman, Ducey-Brooks, Ollis, Bowers, Dean, Nowell, Sandel and Schulman. Absent were trustees: Ford and Shushan.

Guests: Barbara Strona, resident and representative of the Mission Hills Garden Club.

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY: Alberto Vasquez and Craig Tennesen from the city Traffic Engineering Department reported on their study of the 3-way intersection at Hermosa, Fort Stockton and West Lewis Streets. Documentation shows that there have been two accidents reported during the past 3 years. A speeding study showed speeds 23 – 28 miles per hour. Neither of these data meet the requirements for further action by the City. They will, however, add a stop sign at the Fort Stockton right turn corner onto West Lewis, repaint the intersection area to extend the bike lines to the west of the intersection, create a triangle in the middle of the intersection to offer a haven for pedestrians and visual obstacle to drives, and move the east bound traffic on Fort Stockton a little to the north as it approaches the intersection to direct it around the triangle. It is possible that the triangle could become a raised median in the future if further traffic observation seems to dictate it. (Drawing of intersection attached **as soon as I receive it from the City**).

Vasquez and Tennesen also reported that the request to make Presidio Drive a one-way circle, heading down on Presidio Drive and up on Jackson, is not viewed positively by the park people. They believe it will create a speedway. AND the Presidio Drive portion is a park street and needs to be addressed with the Parks Dept. Once we have an accord with them, it is believed the City will cooperate with whatever is desired on Jackson Street.

The **MINUTES** of the Town Hall Meeting of April 16, 2009, were approved.

Treasurer Patty Ducey-Brooks presented the **TREASURER'S REPORT**, please see appended. Also delivered to the trustees was a procedure for reimbursement of expense invoices (appended).

MEMBERSHIP: Trustee Sandel reported that this being mid-year, memberships are coming in 1-2 per month. He recommended having a membership table at the 4th of July and the trustees agreed that we should do so at every community event. K.Jones stated she has a table banner at her house.

Vice President Mark Fehlman said that he had received proposed revisions for the by-laws and would distribute a copy to each of the trustees prior to the June Trustee meeting for review, so they can be discussed at the June meeting.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kathy Jones	PRESIDENT
Mark Fehlman	VICE PRESIDENT
Patty Ducey-Brooks	TREASURER
Ginny Ollis	SECRETARY
Paul M. Bowers	
Paul Dean	
John Ford	
Greg Nowell	
Scott Sandel	
Paul Schulman	
Steve Shushan	

PIONEER PARK PLAYGROUND Trustee Sandel distributed a copy of the playground picnic area at Pioneer Park and a copy of the drawing for additional table and benches and relocation of the fountain. The City is likely to pay for the sidewalk ADA improvements. All tables need to be ADA compliant. Another meeting will be held with Charlie Daniels of the City and is scheduled for after Kathy Jones' return to town. Lori Orr confirmed, after the trustee meeting, that she is not averse to having \$3,000 of the funds for the Playground Phase II used for the facing mural on the school wall. Trustee Bowers demonstrated the mural designed for the school wall and reported that the mural will cost approximately \$5,000 including anti-graffiti sealant. Funds of \$1000 have been dedicated by Councilman Faulconer and \$1000 by the Grant School Foundation. It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that up to \$3,000 (as needed) of the playground funds be committed to complete the mural for the enhancement of the playground via the mural (Dean/Schulman).

HISTORIC LIGHTING DISTRICT: Trustee Schulman reported that the City Council will vote on the Historic Lighting Maintenance Assessment District on Tuesday, May 19 at 10:00 a.m. in session on the 12th floor at 202 C Street. A small question was raised by Councilmember Sherri Lightner whether this project needed the approval of the Uptown Planners, but it is believed this is not necessary. If the Council approves the MAD on Tuesday, ballots will be sent to the affected property owners for 45 days of voting. A demonstration light will be installed within 2 weeks near the Espresso Mio on Fort Stockton Drive.

BUSINESS ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE – “MISSION NIGHTS”: Trustee Dean reported that the developers of 1 Mission have agreed to sponsor and provide food and music for a “Mission Nights” beginning June 17 and each consecutive 3rd Wednesday of the month at the intersection of Goldfinch and Washington from 6-8pm.

4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION: Trustee Shushan reported (via email) that the 4th of July event is well organized and prepared for another big event. Sponsorships include \$1000 from the 1 Mission development, \$750 from San Diego National Bank and \$250 from Wells Fargo. Albertsons is donating cake. We had budgeted \$3000 from the Town Council, but expenses are estimated to be \$3400, so will only need \$1400 from the MHTC. The parade will be monitored with volunteers. About 6 more volunteers are still needed. The route will go from the Park to Fort Stockton to Sunset, right onto West Lewis, right onto Randolph and back to the park. We are awarding prizes to the best costumes for need judges. Liability Insurance will be provided for the event at a cost of \$125. Tables will be needed for the Council, cake, 1 Mission, and...for membership and activity distribution. It was suggested that CERT be asked if they wish to have a table. The poster from last year is being updated and the ad will go into the Sentinel in June. Paul Bowers will be asked to splash this on the website. The schedule of events is appended.

COMMERCIAL CORE M.A.D.: Trustee Shushan reported (via email) that the Maintenance Assessment District Oversight Committee has been working with the City and expects 5 benches and cans to be installed in mid June and the balance in late summer or early fall. A map of the locations of the benches and cans (benches are long dashes) is appended. They are also working to remove the unsightly newspaper racks in front of Starbucks.

BRANDING AND LOGO: Trustee Bowers distributed a proposed logo selection (appended), and trustees agreed to review it and email their preference to Bowers. Once the logo is selected, it may be used ONLY AS IS, except for reduction to overall size. Bowers reported on his plans for development of the website and suggested that he would like to have a section on who the trustees are, what they are doing and to also have a section on “Councilman Faulconer says”.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT report by Ollis was tabled until next meeting.

President Jones reported that the Uptown Planners vacancy was filled by the board with a new member from the University Heights area. There are currently only 2 representatives of the Mission Hills area, Kim Adler and Janet O’Dea.

WEST LEWIS POCKET PARK: Jones reported that there was a meeting between Barry Hager, herself, John Lomac, Jim Evans and the Park and Recreation Engineering Department last week. That

changing the specifics of the plan for the park which has been approved could restart the entire process, so that it was suggested the financial shortfall be addressed by phasing the park rather than changing the plan. If this suggestion is approved by Leo Wilson (Uptown Planners), Councilman Faulconer will push this to execution.

Discussion ensued about a joint CERT, Neighborhood Watch, Police Department Crime meeting for the community. it was suggested that a Mock Disaster would have more impact and appeal. Ollis agreed to pursue that idea.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Ollis, Council Secretary