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Board Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2007

Present: Jennifer Tamayo, Erica Thygesen, Maria Sworske, Craig Bach, Megan McCoy, Sandra McDaniel, Victor Flaming, Yvonne Garcia

Absent: Lisa Laurenceau, Sarah Selden, David Linn, Roger Warren

Minutes: Erica Thygesen

7:01pm: Meeting called to order by order by Jennifer Tamayo. Erica Thygesen made a motion to approve the agenda. Victor Flaming seconded the motion to approve tonight's agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

7:04pm: Maria Sworske reported that she has not been receiving regular bank statements so does not have a current and accurate record of the MNA's savings and checking accounts.

7:06pm: Jennifer Tamayo reported that we have received a bill for the post office box. It is \$36.00 for six months or \$72.00 for a year. It was discussed that the location of the PO Box is inconvenient and difficult to reach on a regular basis. Victor Flaming moved that we pay the current post office box for six months and try to find another box at a closer location. Craig Bach seconded the motion to pay the post office box bill for six months. The motion was passed unanimously.

7:18pm: Sandra McDaniel expressed concern that her name was left off the agenda in regards to the topic of the 82nd Avenue of the Roses parade. Jennifer apologized for the oversight, and stated that she was not aware whether Sandra would be present at tonight's meeting, but had been aware that Craig and Maria had been attending the planning meeting. Sandra McDaniel made a motion to amend the agenda to reflect her name as well as Craig Bach and Maria Sworske on the topic of the 82nd Avenue of the Roses parade. Maria Sworske seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

7:20pm: Jennifer Tamayo broached the subject of changing the meeting time of the board meeting. She reported that several board members have requested that we start the meeting at 7:00pm rather than 6:30pm. Craig Bach made a motion to permanently change the start time of the board meeting to 7:00pm. Yvonne Garcia seconded the motion. The motion to change the time of the board meeting to 7:00pm passed unanimously.

7:22pm: Jennifer Tamayo reported on a proposed zone change for the property that is being developed by Beam Developers at the old Baptist Manor lot on 82nd avenue. This change was discussed at the most recent land use meeting. The proposed change would be from a high density zone to mixed commercial. This change would allow for the development of a commercial space in the building. The discussion again focused on some concerns about parking and whether the addition of a commercial space would create undue burden on the neighbors.

7:38pm: Sandra McDaniel moved that the Montavilla Neighborhood Association support the zone change. Craig Bach seconded the motion. Victor Flaming reported that he was very concerned that he could not support the proposed change without the addition of more parking in the plan. He stated that he did not feel as though the rest of the MNA has taken his concerns about parking seriously. He stated that he would like the record to show that he has asked for additional parking to be considered in the design of

the development on multiple occasions and has felt that the developers were unmoved by his concerns. The current motion was tabled and the minutes will reflect Victor Flaming's concern about what may be a lack of adequate parking for the property. The board then weighed the pros and cons of the proposed development again. Sandra McDaniel pointed out that although there are parking concerns, the development could have a really positive impact on 82nd avenue and that any potential development may suffer from inadequate parking.

7:50pm: Megan McCoy made a motion that the Montavilla Neighborhood Association write a letter of support for the zone change, but that we also include our concern about the lack of available parking and the potential impact it could have on neighborhood livability. Craig Bach seconded the motion. Six people were in favor of the motion, one person opposed the motion, and no one abstained. Therefore the motion to write a letter of support for the zone change from high density to mixed use commercial which will also include the MNA's concern about the lack of parking was approved.

7:55pm: Victor Flaming reported on the plans for the May 19, 2007 neighborhood cleanup. He reported that he had found a hauler who made a bid for \$100.00 per pick up, and that would be providing the MNA with two drivers for the day. He made a motion that the MNA accept the current bid for \$100.00 per container, with two drivers, but that we continue to seek out better offers if available. If we find a better offer from someone who can provide the service we need at a better price, we will automatically approve it without returning to the board for additional discussion. Sandra McDaniel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8:05pm: Jennifer Tamayo reported that the MNA needs to update its bylaws in order to comply with some changes that were instituted by the Office of Neighborhood Involvement. It was reported that we can either work on them at our next board meeting or we can assign a committee to work on them. They need to be updated by May 1, because they will need to be reviewed and approved by the general membership of the MNA. Erica Thygesen moved that we assign a committee to review and update the bylaws and meet to prepare the changes to be presented at the April general meeting. The committee shall include Erica Thygesen, Jennifer Tamayo, Megan McCoy, Yvonne Garcia, and Victor Flaming. Megan McCoy seconded the motion. The motion to create a committee to review and prepare updates for the Montavilla Neighborhood Association's bylaws was passed unanimously.

8:29pm: METBA's farmers market was discussed. They are still in the planning stages and are hoping to open on July 29, 2007. They are still working to secure vendors and attract volunteers. METBA has requested support from the MNA, in terms of accessing our insurance policy for the lot. Sandra McDaniel made a motion that the Montavilla Neighborhood Association support METBA's farmers market and allow them to access our insurance policy for their event. Megan McCoy seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

8:33pm: Sandra McDaniel provided an update of the 82nd Avenue of the Roses parade. The committee still has received official approval from ODOT about whether the avenue can be closed that day, so they are considering possible alternative routes.

8:40pm: Jennifer Tamayo reported on the Citywide Conversation on Infill that occurred recently. Jennifer, Maria Sworske, and Sarah Selden attended the event.

8:44pm: The minutes from the February board meeting were reviewed. Megan McCoy made a motion to approve them. Craig Bach seconded the motion. The motion to approve the February board meeting minutes was approved unanimously.

8:51pm: Megan McCoy moved that we adjourn the meeting. Yvonne Garcia seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting was passed unanimously.

