

Neartown Association Monthly Minutes

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Commence at 7:10 p.m.

21 in attendance

Robert will be working the voting polls next week

Introductions of everyone in the room

Safety & Policing

Jason G. updated us on First Montrose Commons's recent Security Forum and recent murder

Says it's an area conducive to crime, due to habitat and social services

Got permission for TXDOT to trim vegetation in certain areas

And TXDOT and COH will put in more lighting

COP (citizens on patrol) program possible

Need more police in 'hood is the bottom line

Jason from COH told about CIPs

Can submit on-line - drop down menu

Improvement projects over \$350,000

We will coordinate CIPS under Neartown umbrella

No limit as to how many can be submitted (as with the 25 limit per 'hood with SNAPs)

Will have another Prez's meeting Wed, Mar 3, 7:00pm at the upstairs of the Black Lab for CIPs

BEFORE the:

March 6, Sat, 10-12:00, at Judson Robinson Community Center is a big district-wide CIP meeting

Census day is April 1, 2010, and we should all fill out our forms

David Couch of METRO spoke

They have completed & submitted EPA review

This is now in the Comment Period until March 30

METR will respond to any comments and work to resolve 'em

Shrubs on corridor along Richmond that are blocking drivers' views -

METRO won't cut or trim them now because, even tho they present a dangerous condition,

they will be ripped out in a couple years when they build the rail line, so why bother with

trimming them now, just to create safe driving conditions for vehicle operators & pedestrians

Considering putting utility lines underground

Vince Ryan, County Attorney was our main Guest Speaker

He spoke a long time, about various topics,

then fielded a few Q's & A's

He & David talked about term limits, and David will attend a city meeting on them next week.

Adjourned 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Young
Secretary