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**Neartown Tuesday, July 27, 2010**

**17 in attendance**

**Called to order 7:00 p.m. by David Robinson**

**We introduced ourselves**

**Sarah Davis – Republican candidate for State Rep District 134  
(Ellen Cohen's district) gave a plug for herself  
Then she fielded Q's & A's**

**David: status report on Neartown Forum**

**Ryan from City of Houston – re historic preservation & parking regulations  
He will have final info by end of next week for David  
David called for people to give input to Ryan  
David talked about historic preservation  
Ed G.: Montrose has six historic districts; Heights has only four  
Neartown goes back 40 years**

**Dvid had breakfast with Scott McClellan of HEB**

**They claim to care about Fiesta, Fiesta employees, neighborhood residents  
And promise to give us 3 architectural choices  
Will save trees**

**One concept – store on Level 2 and parking on Level 1  
In-store designers so far, will have San Antonio firm, too  
Will present to community at Neartown next month**

**May use Swamplot.com for voting by us on exterior architecture  
Playground, picnic area, wine bar, performance space**

**David discussed three designs he saw**

**Said the best of which included horizontal lines, wood, nice sloped roof  
Others looked like typical grocery stores with huge HEB sign  
Sidewalks, tree roots**

**Market research shows HEB store will likely help Fiesta  
due to different clientele**

**Fiesta clients are very loyal  
Fiesta does not own the lot**

**Ed: Houston has the most intense supermarket arena in the U.S.A.**

**Crime wave in Mandel Place – burglaries; cut window, remove caulk**

**David will relate info to Management District tomorrow**

**Some new signers for expanding the MD  
Ed offered to help get signers**

**Whole Foods store will be topic for September Neartown meeting**

**Ed said a drug rehab place wanted to open in Avondale  
He discouraged them  
Montrose is attractive to these agencies for many reasons**

**Robert gave the PIP report – burglary is the topic for tomorrow**

**David: two months ago, Jeff Ross – Renew Houston  
They got enough signatures to get on the ballot  
We should think how and if Neartown wants to support it  
And decide in October or November or September**

**Adjourn 8:06 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Julie Young,  
Secretary**