

Neartown Association Meeting Minutes

November 22, 2016 – 7:00 PM

Cherryhurst Park Community Center, 1700 Missouri St

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Lower Westheimer Corridor Study, for Rebuilding Westheimer/Elgin from Main Street to Shepherd – Matthew Seubert, AICP | Houston Planning & Development Dept.
Matt presented material from the recent workshop on the Lower Westheimer Corridor Study. Information is posted at www.lowerwestheimerstudy.org and the City is accepting public comments on the ideas being discussed through December 19th. The third public meeting, at which concepts for the streetscape will be presented, will likely be held in February 2017. Greg serves on the stakeholder advisory committee for the study.
- 3) Neartown Officers 2017 – Nominating Committee Sylvia Drew and Lis Harper
Lis and Sylvia presented the slate of nominees for Neartown Association officers for 2017:
President: Greg LeGrande
Vice President: Kay Warhol
Secretary: Julie Young
Treasurer: Lane Llewellyn
There were no other nominations from the floor. The slate was approved as presented and members voted to elect all nominees as officers.
- 4) Other –
 - Montrose Special Parking Area
Greg shared an announcement from the Montrose Management District of a community engagement meeting to be held on Wednesday December 7 at the Multi-Service Center on W. Gray. The status of the parking area along with other MMD initiatives are on the agenda.
There was discussion of the MMD work on the esplanades on Lovett Blvd, a suggestion to compare the esplanade on the 1400 block of Bonnie Brae (done by an individual), and the possibility of getting the city's green corridor designation.
 - Montrose TIRZ – New Board Members
Greg reported the appointment of new board members for the Montrose TIRZ: Randy Mitchmore (Chair), Sherry Weesner, and Jacqueline Martin (reappointment). Jack Valinski shared that the first board meeting has been called for Monday, December 12, 6:00 pm at St. Stephen's Pecore Hall (W. Alabama at Woodhead). The meeting is open to the public.
 - Planning Commission Committee on Walkable Places – Consider Chapter 42 Modifications

Greg has been invited to serve on this committee to look at amendments to Chapter 42 to address walkability

- SNA Meeting Review and Update

Kay reported on the November Super Neighborhood Alliance meeting. Primary topics were continuing discussions on the Bike Plan and proposed amendments to the off-street parking ordinance. Also, the Planning Department is requesting that Houstonians provide their input on priorities for FY2017 by completed a brief survey at www.planhouston.org.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Neartown Association Attendance List

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