

Neartown Association Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

- 12 in attendance, plus 3 from Peter Brown's office
- called to order 7:09 p.m.
- David introduced Allen Ueckert as head of the Nominating Committee, and Allen presented the Slate of Officers for 2010, which will be the same as for the current year:
 - President: David Robinson
 - Vice President: Greg LeGrande
 - Secretary: Julie Young
 - Treasurer: Mark Johnson
- Motion was made to accept the slate by David R., seconded by Greg L., and passed unanimously.
- If anyone wants to apply for these positions, he or she has a couple of weeks.
- Voting will be in November.
- David talked about the ULI's proposal for the Montrose Crossroads and passed around booklets, generously donated (50) by METRO
- Mark will get 'em on the Neartown website
- Josh wants to put 'em on the MMD website, also
- All people on the Planning Commission of Houston have read the entire document
- It is now under consideration to put these principals into a broadening of the urban corridor to ALL major corridors and intersections in the city
- at least one big wig thinks a round about is NOT a good idea at this location.
- Yeaaaaaay! (personal note by the secretary)
- Josh Hawes of the Montrose Management District spoke
 - they have 18 petitions, and need 24 more, by Sept 28th.
 - he is knocking on doors, and feels confident he will have them.
 - Petitions are needed for assessment — can't be funded until businesses agree to be assessed
- Jason Ginsburg of First Montrose Commons told about the 3rd Annual Montrose Crawl, which will be on Halloween, and benefits the Houston Area Women's Center
- Jeron of Wanda Adams's office told about the Matching Grants Workshop, tomorrow, and also later in the month at the downtown library for any project under \$10,000
 - the city will match \$ for 501C3's & 4's or for Super Neighborhoods
 - he also talked about CIPs and SNAPs
- Peter Brown, councilman and mayoral candidate came in
- David updated him on the Crossroads plan
- Peter spoke a bit about it, plus gave some campaign plugs
- Peter wants 10 great projects, 10 great streets, and 10 great neighborhoods for Houston
- The Crossroads plan is one, Montrose Blvd is one, and the greater Montrose area is one
- David asked about construction / demolition of the apartment complex on Dunlavy at W. Alabama
- Blue Print Houston is having a workshop or symposium October 3, Saturday at the Geo. R. Brown

- David talked about one he talked at recently
- David praised Mark for his stewardship as treasurer
- David & Allen discussed CIPs & SNAPs
- Claude and Josh gave a bried update on the EMMD and a street inventory
- Julie told about a brazen, planned robbery on Fairview
- and then she tried to get some support for a need for solution to parking woes on that same block of Fairview, due to a property owner renigging on the promise to use her land as a parking lot, but everybody was running out so Michael could go to his folks' 35 the wedding anniversary, so
- adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Young, Secretary