

# South Lamar Neighborhood Association

## Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2015

### Agenda Presented

Meeting began approximately 7:10 PM

Minutes approved (Carol Johnson, Nancy Maclaine)

### Agenda Items

#### 1. Bluebonnet Studios and BOA Update

- Update Process and status through Board of Appeal
- Due to the necessity to move the utility power lines from above to below ground (under the sidewalk) South Lamar will be closed in a couple of weeks 1 lane closed part time from 9am to 4 pm. The disruption is expected to be about 5-6 weeks. The start date is not yet certain.
- Later, due to the same reason, Del Curto Rd will be affected with one lane closed along the south side of the street near construction site 2301 S. Lamar). The date is TBD and this project is estimated to take 3 to 4 weeks.
- Questions on the on-site parking adequacy; Compared to Skyline Terrace, which has 20 tenants that use parking.
- Dumpster issue discussed. It is a 4-story building with parking underneath which prevented garbage trucks getting there. Room for trash truck to pull in 2 smaller dumpsters wheel in to the right of way. Central TX Refuse services the Capitol Studios complex and has 6 yard dumpsters with similar
- Question from Mike Sullivan on Foundation Communities board meetings being public or private. Walter Moreau explained they are private
- Later in the meeting Mike Sullivan explained that he has filed (or will file) a lawsuit against the City over the BOA zoning interpretations of the code.

#### 2. Lightsey Historic Commission Case

- Bruce Evans - Application for historic designation was rejected.

Vote was 5-5-1. Commission voted to save. But City Council would not overrule. According to Austin Statesman, Council vote was Kitchen, Tovo, Garza, Pool and Cesar in favor; Adler, Zimmerman, Troxclair, Renteria and Houston against. Gallo Abstained.

### 3. Thornton Road parking permits/ABGB

- ABGB patrons parking on the sidewalk blocking. When this happens neighbors are requested to call 911. No response from ABGB staff when resident went in to ask them to alert the car owner to remove the car, or place signage to prevent future sidewalk parkers. .
- Suggestions that there are other options for ABGB parking by working with the adjacent Mobile home community to park there. It should be noted that ABGB is in the Galindo Elementary Neighborhood Association

### 4. Thornton Road VMU

- No info on the status of the proposal. SLNA had opposed this 218-unit plan and City Staff had recommended that the plan not be approved. Next step is to monitor to see if the case will be heading to planning commission with staff recommendation as 'opposed'.
- General discussion on how notices are handled and how to participate.

### 5. Rooster Flats

- Rooster Flats neon Rooster on the sign.
- Concern about construction debris and flooding run-off from property into Clawson. Complaints go to 311.

### 6. 3202 Clawson

- 2-acre lot to put in duplexes. Jared Kolarek (sp?) developer.
- Jan and Dottie Cartwright and Mario met. Plan for this site should be within current zoning limits and rezoning or variances are not anticipated.

## **General Discussions and Announcements**

### 1. Question Google Fiber timing

- Question on when it will be available. Mixed reports on reason for delays no one had specific dates although some reported progress.

## 2. Announcement

- South Austin Neighborhood Alliance Meeting Tuesday August 25, 2015 7 PM to 9 PM at Onion Creek Club 2510 Onion Creek Parkway. Meeting of South Austin Council Members for Districts 2,3, 5 (SLNA) and 8 and Mayor Adler will be available for questions.
  - Kim Rossmo presented the recommendation of the Austin Public Safety Commission regarding hiring of data analysts in the APD budget and suggested supporting this concept - 10-1 system appointments may or may not live in their district. John Hernandez appointed by CM Kitchen. Public Safety Committee of City Council is now new in the loop. Commission members may not be experienced. APD looking for increases. Crime is low in SLNA. But burglaries are a problem. Data like fingerprints can wait up to 2 years to be analyzed. In the meantime burglars can still be out there causing damage.
- Fun Facts - SLNA members are represented on Public Safety; Cap Metro and Urban Transportation commissions
- Sept 3 7 PM meeting regarding Short-Term Flooding mitigation for the South Lamar area at Faith Methodist Church.
- TX Dot meeting Riverside and I-35. Construction will begin on I-35 to add 2 lanes over the Lake

### Optional discussions made available for following topics

Neighborhood Partnership Program -  
Neighborhood By-Laws list of changes  
Officer Elections

Park Committee

Moved and adjourned 8:30 PM (Mike Sullivan, second Nancy Maclaine)