

SLNA general meeting minutes—October 15, 2009

Artz Rib House, sundown.

7:11 p.m. Amy Zamarripa reviewed NA Park Committee's meeting with PARD regarding the Del Curto Park layout. PARD presented four plans and the committee chose one of them, with alterations. Some of the components of this particular dreamscape are a playscape, a pavilion/band stage that opens on two sides, a half basketball court, community gardens, and a nice footbridge across the creek/ditch (which is to be funded by Austin Park Foundation grants). In general, PARD spends about \$700,000 or \$800,000 on pocket parks like this, and \$450,000 on this project already went to land acquisition, so options/budget is limited. There was much discussion about the suggestion of a fence/demarcation between the park proper and the abandoned church building, everyone present basically agreed that Park Committee should argue against that at next PARD meeting/charrette. At the very least, none of our "virtual bank account" should go to paying for that fence. Discussion of what to do about the church shell sort of stalled out because the Cypress development is on "permanent hold" so they are pretty much a non-partner at this point. It should be about eight months for park construction to start.

8:02 p.m. Thomas Bleich, SLNA/ANC rep reviewed recent 2 ANC meetings. Only thing germane to SLNA members was something from a Law Enforcement Panel at the 09/09 meeting regarding a nuisance abatement lawsuit option for homes that have multiple arrests.

8:15 p.m. Officer Elections. Sally Merritt presented the slate: James Espy for president, Amy Zamarripa for VP, Sally Merritt for treasurer, Bill Stoughton for recording secretary, Thomas Bleich for ANC representative. Bryan King motioned for vote, David Ansel seconded, slate was unanimously voted into office.

8:30 p.m. EcoSchool rep was at the meeting and graciously offered to host the SLNA Xmas party and other meetings at their school.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.