## **RWNA February 18, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

## 4 pm to 6 pm at the Environmental Center 16 NW Kansas Avenue

- **1. Administrative** [we didn't have a quorum at the beginning of the meeting and had to skip items a and b]
  - a. Approve agenda [no action]
  - b. Approve January 21, 2019 meeting minutes [no action]
  - c. Treasurer's report [Julia reported a fund balance of about \$1,800 / rent for environment center increasing to \$55 per mo. / will proceed with spending grant money for new signs.]

#### 2. Land Use -

- a. List of this month's public [neighborhood] meetings notices: NONE
- b. List of this month's written comments notices: NONE
- c. List of this month's public hearing notices:
  - O Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Deschutes Brewery small addition
  - o Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Wireless & broadcast communications facilities code amendment
  - April 5th<sup>th</sup> Shell station PZ 18-0311 [We talked about the staff report which was posted in December. Staff is not recommending approval of the car wash element. Don thought the applicant has a revised site plan that will be submitted soon.]
- d. Land use decisions in process:
  - Jan 10<sup>th</sup> & Jan 18<sup>th</sup> Shevlin-Hixon PZ 18-0428 & 0429 [Hearing officer is preparing his findings and decision. City manager has saved a spot on the March 20<sup>th</sup> City Council agenda to discuss the hearing officer findings.]

#### 3. Transportation -

- a. Report on Downtown Parking Advisory Committee [ Mike noted the surplus of parking in the downtown is nearly gone. The school district has made the 68 space parking lot south of city hall exclusive to only school district employees and G5 is adding 100 more employees]
- b. Report on Transportation System Plan / possible survey [spoke briefly on the overview of the effort of staff and the CTAC over the last 12 months. This planning effort has many questionable elements. Mike will be checking in with the BNC to find if there is interest in providing a critique of the efforts. Meanwhile, the public relations effort is underway by staff, plus city council will looking into hiring a PR firm.] The board voted 3-0 to proceed with the RWNA survey.
- c. Report on re-consideration of mini-roundabout on Galveston/Harmon [Mike called for a subcommittee to work on coming up with an alternative to addressing the traffic concerns with the Galveston Corridor design. Nicole and Don will be joining Mike in this effort.]

d. Citywide parking study supplemental for restaurants [Mike briefly summarized the recent city's parking survey for restaurants. He suggested forming a subcommittee to begin to prepare a response to staff's proposed parking code recommendation.]

#### 4. NLA Update –

- a. Report on NLA meeting (Cassie) [Cassie provide a brief email summarizing the NLA efforts over the last month; Russ Grayson made a presentation on the replacement to eplans; Anne Aurand did a presentation on the city survey, update on City Council goal setting for the new council, and a brief summary of the strategic planning workshop held on Feb 15<sup>th</sup>.]
- b. Report on BNC public notice committee status (Mike) [ Mike reported the "citizen involvement with land use" document was given to a 3-person subcommittee of the NLA. A meeting was held between the BNC committee who prepared the document and this NLA subcommittee. The NLA subcommittee spoke very highly of the document. A presentation to the entire NLA is tentatively scheduled for March 12<sup>th</sup> and a final action by the NLA to be determined

### 5. Community events update

- a. Bill Mosely's comments [Bill spoke briefly about the council goal setting efforts including a focus on housing and transportation efforts / neighborhood safety improvement funding / comments on downtown parking problems / requested RWNA agenda's to place his "reporting" in the first half of the agenda in the future.]
- b. Council agenda items [March 20<sup>th</sup>; Evergreen apartments, hiring PR firm for transportation projects]
- c. Joshua's newsletters [posted on the website]
- d. City News releases [posted on the website]

#### 6. Communications

- a. Alert's (Deb) [not in attendance due to family health emergency]
- b. Website update (Mike) [Website restructuring complete]
- c. Newsletter (Stephanie) [She is waiting for board approval to post first newsletter. I will email to all the board to get the approval before posting]
- d. NART update (Stephanie)
- **7. New Business** [no discussion on these items because items 1 through 6 used all the time available to the board and the absence of Deb and Cassie. Will move discussion to next meeting]
  - a. 2019 goal setting
    - Current items
      - 1. Land use issues
      - 2. Galveston Corridor design
      - 3. Galveston parking
      - 4. Transportation System Plan

- 5. Information to and from members
- New items
  - 1. Triangle park maintenance? (\$650 donation)
  - 2. STR compliance?
  - 3. Noise?
  - 4. Safety?

# 8. Public Comments if any

### **Attendees:**

Mike Walker
Bill Mosely
Nicole Weathers
Don James
Harry Williamson
Stephanie Higgins