

URBAN COMMITTEE - Meeting Minutes 5/16/06

Present: Craig Nobbelin, Herb Ranta, Lori Stanton, Gail Heffner, John Gussenbauer,
Mike Williams, Jon Skiles, and Carol Townsend

Lori, co-chair, called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as e-mailed.

The Zoomerang survey was discussed as a good tool that neighborhoods and other organizations may be able to use, including the Urban Committee. A specific use could not be identified right now, but this will be kept in mind. Lori wondered if one of the GRUP issues could be used.

Discussion again on need to recruit new members for the Urban Committee.
Action: It was decided that each Urban Committee member should invite at least one new person to June's meeting. They should be interested in neighborhood revitalization.

Craig distributed a paper he had written on the zoning re-write process and reported on the Zoning Sub-committee meeting. He said that draft zoning text and maps for Traditional Neighborhoods are being distributed today (May 16), and comments are due back to Suzanne by June 1. [This is an extremely short turn around time.] There will be a meeting on June 23 at noon for the Planning Department to give feedback on the community input they've received. The Zoning sub-committee had wanted to develop a presentation they could take to neighborhood associations Boards to inform them of what the new zoning code will mean to their neighborhoods.

Action: It was decided that Craig will call Suzanne to see if the June 1 deadline can be extended to mid-June. Carol will contact several neighborhood associations to see if they would be interested in a city-wide meeting to update everyone. If the answer to both of these questions is yes, we will set a meeting time.

Committee members expressed satisfaction with the Urban Redevelopment Principles that the sub-committee presented. There were a few grammatical corrections. The Committee will recommend their adoption to the Coalition. Herb will present them to the PMT at their June meeting. The Committee needs to decide how to publicize these Principles.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 20, at 9:30 a.m.