

URBAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 10/18/05

Present: Dave Bee, Craig Nobbelin, Paul Haan, Lori Stanton, Herb Ranta, John Gussenbauer, Gail Heffner, Jeanine Bryant, Andy Guy, Heather Aldridge, and Carol Townsend

Paul called the meeting to order. Minutes from the last meeting were approved as e-mailed.

Redevelopment Principles

There was good discussion on the proposed principles. It was suggested that several of the items be combined. These Principles will be primarily used as an educational tool. Paul, Andy, Jay, and Carol will re-draft and bring to the next meeting to be finalized.

Neighborhood Convention

Lori and others reported that there has been good response from the neighborhoods toward a convention. Carol distributed a "convention fact sheet" that was developed by the sub-committee of Sarah Smith, Lori Stanton, Mike Cary, and John Gussenbauer. This sheet will be sent to all neighborhood associations with a cover letter that sets a date for the first meeting of convention volunteers. Each Association should send at least 2 representatives. Needed convention committees will be formed at that meeting. Craig suggested inviting Bill Hoyt to speak at the convention.

Regulated Uses

At the October 14 Planning Commission meeting, they decided to recommend to the City Commission a seventh standard for Permitted With Approvals (PWA). It would read:

"That with respect to uses involving the sale of alcohol or its consumption on the premises, pawnshops, pool halls, and motorcycle clubs - which tend to have a particularly detrimental effect on neighborhoods when there is an excessive concentration of any mix of them in proximity to each other - no such concentration of them already exists within a 1000' radius of the proposed use and no such concentration will occur within such 1000' radius if the proposed use is established."

Legal staff said that it was not legal under state law for appeals regarding PWA decisions to be heard by the City Commission. Only the Zoning Board of Appeals and the courts can hear appeals. Tattoo parlors are not included in the above, although Peter Carlberg tried to get them included.

The Urban Committee needs to decide if they are going to take any action on this issue.

The meeting adjourned promptly at 10:30 a.m. Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 15, at 9:30 a.m. at Extension.