

**Allied Neighborhoods Association  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, June 18, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Orias called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

In attendance on behalf of member organizations were: Anna DeVore, John DeVore, Richard Moss, Jean Holmes, Paul Hernadi, Joe Rution, Judy Orias and Roseanne Boardman.

The Chair declared a quorum present.

**NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS: ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

Paul (Hitchcock Ranch) discussed new Berkus mixed-use proposal for Upper State Street.

Judy (Hidden Valley) reported on status of negotiations on the Hidden Valley-School District property negotiations.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION made and seconded to accept draft minutes of May 21, 2007 regular meeting. Mr. Hernadi noted correction for date of joint meeting of Council, ABR, Planning Commission & HLC on building heights limitation issue, which should be noted as July 18<sup>th</sup>. PASSED.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Hernadi reported a treasury net balance of \$1,690.71. He also distributed a list of current members whose dues are paid up, and are thus eligible to vote.

MOTION to authorize Treasurer to reimburse John DeVore \$81.89 for printing of tri-fold fliers, PASSED.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **-General Plan Update**

Ms Orias & Mr. Rution reported on impressions gathered from attendance at City workshop meetings on the GPU on June 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> and noted two more were upcoming June 28<sup>th</sup> and July 7<sup>th</sup>.

By consensus it was decided to respond to the Mayor's invitation to send City personnel to our meetings to discuss the General Plan, and directed the Secretary to make arrangements for same for the regular meeting of July 16<sup>th</sup>. Members will be briefed and will prepare for the meeting via e-mail.

### **- Outer State Street Study**

Mr. Hernadi noted that the Whole Foods proposal was pending and is likely to be on the agenda soon.

### **-Allied Organizational Status**

**MOTION** to pursue incorporation of Allied as a California non-profit corporation, provided it be done by voluntary efforts and costs be limited to filing and other appurtenant fees not to exceed \$200.00. **PASSED**

Mr. Moss volunteered to do the necessary preparation of papers and filing.

The Chair postponed discussion on related matters, such as tax exemption status, until the incorporation process was completed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **- Initiative to Limit Building Heights**

A joint meeting of City Council on this matter with other City boards and commissions is scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup>, and prior to that, on June 25<sup>th</sup>, a discussion meeting with representatives of various organizations, along with Mr. Mahon and Councilman Barnwell, at which Allied representatives will attend and participate. It was decided to wait before considering an

Allied position on the matter for a report on the latter meeting. The matter will be considered at our regular Allied meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

- **Response to Councilman Barnwell's offer to attend to discuss "form-based zoning" and related matters.**

It was decided to invite City Planning Staff personnel to our regular September meeting to discuss these matters.

- **City Transportation/Parking recommendations: Allied response**

This matter will be taken up and focused upon as part of our consideration of the General Plan update.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Vacancy in Office of Vice President.**

Resignation from the office of Second Vice President by Mr. Barry was noted.

- **Inclusionary Housing Ordinance Revisions**

A meeting of the Planning Commission on this matter scheduled for June 21<sup>st</sup> was noted.

- **Political Activity Policy**

The permissible role of members and officers of Allied in the upcoming Council election was discussed. The board members present reaffirmed, by consensus, the policy that members can contribute and endorse candidates as individuals, but Allied's name may not be used as a means of identification of a person's affiliation. Also Allied's web site can not be used to endorse candidates.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION made and seconded to adjourn PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.