

ALLIED NEIGHBORHOODS ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
October 20, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

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

The following members of representative organizations were present: Judy Orias, Joe Rution, Jean Holmes, Catherine McCammon, John Devore, Joan Livingston, Lisa Burns, Paul Hernadi, Roseanne Boardman, and Gil Barry. Also attending were David Pritchett (representing the City Transportation & Circulation Committee), Sheila Lodge (CPA Land Use Committee Chair), and guest Barbara Shelton and Rob Dayton. The President declared a quorum present.

GUEST

Barbara Shelton, City Environmental Analyst, attended, described the process for the Environmental Impact Report that will be undertaken on the General Plan update, and answered a wide variety of questions on the subject.

After she left, Rob Dayton, City Transportation Planner answered a number of related questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION made and seconded to approve minutes of September 15, 2008 (with corrections noted); **PASSED**.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Hernadi's reported a treasury balance as of September 15, 2008 of \$1,457.69, obligations of \$450.00, for a net balance of \$1,007.69.

NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDTABLE

Mr. Pritchett discussed a matter to be coming up at City Council on 10/21 involving the possible reclassification of streets, that has implications as far as use of radar and speed limits.

Ms. McCammon reminded of the panel discussion sponsored by the Mesa Village Hall Meeting to be held on October 22nd at which Allied had been will present our PowerPoint presentation on the General Plan.

Ms. Burns discussed a number of items relating to the Upper East Association: - A group meeting to be held on October 29th (at the Mormon Church at Santa Barbara and Los Olivos Streets), at which City officials will be participating; - determining the boundaries of the Upper East Association where they appear to overlap with Mission Canyon to the north and Bungalow Haven to the south; - the identification of the major role played by institutional uses and their impacts as planning factors in the Upper East neighborhoods.

Mr. Devore noted that Samarkand Association is considering a brochure discussing the pros and cons of the Hedge Ordinance issue, and possibly undertaking an attitudes survey on the matter.

Mr. Rution noted the upcoming Annual Garage Sale of the Bungalow Haven Neighborhood Association to be held Saturday, October 25th at 1331 Olive Street.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Orias noted the Allied Special Meeting scheduled for the Monday, October 27th at the League of Women Voters office, and instructed the Secretary to notify all members.

NEW BUSINESS

15 South Hope Avenue

Mr. Hernadi reviewed the recent Planning Commission proceeding on a project at 15 South Hope Avenue, at which CPA and Allied expressed concerns. He noted that the approval raises questions about consistency with the Outer State Street Study and the City General Plan. Since a representative of CPA expressed intent to appear before City Council tomorrow to present three specific concerns about the approval, MOTION was made and seconded for Allied endorsement of the statement of those concerns, and a request to the CPA representative to express an additional concern, namely that it was poor policy to allow construction of parking facilities beneath the building's front set back.

PASSED.

The secretary was instructed to advise the CPA representative (Mr. Moldaver) of this Allied concurrence, and to request that he convey our additional concern.

Hedge Ordinance

Discussion ensued about the City's decision to abandon enforcement of the hedge height limitations (except for instances involving public safety), and to postpone further consideration until next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.