

North Shoal Creek Neighborhood Association
P.O. Box 66443
Austin, Texas 78766-0443
Board of Directors Meeting
February 24, 2015, 6:30 pm
Town North Nissan Dealership Community Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Lois McEvoy. Barbara Gaston recorded the proceedings. Board Members present were as follows: President, Lois McEvoy, Vice President Julia Menegay, Secretary Barbara Gaston, Treasurer Donna Eagar; Board Members Amelia Cobb, Karen Denton, Ernie Garcia, Lauren Werchan, Sharon Justice, and Kevin Wier, Development Committee Chairman.

II. The AGENDA was approved unanimously.

III. MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2015 BOARD MEETING were approved as read.

IV. OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS: DISCUSSION OF THE STATUS OF REZONING REQUEST C14- 2014-0157 (8528 Burnet Rd.)

A. Kevin Wier reported the following.

1. First city council reading of the zoning request ended in a 7-4 vote in favor of MF-6 zoning. There was no opportunity for further discussion.
2. It is now the responsibility of the applicant, Mr. Sackman, to refile for the second reading. This second reading will not be occurring at the (next) city council meeting on March 7, 2015.
3. Kevin has contacted the offices of all city council members for the purpose of setting up times during which he might speak with each one about the issue, and to further explain the position of NSCNA. He and Steven Zettner will meet with Councilman Casar on February 25, 2015. Kevin's conversation with developer Sackman and his lawyer, Henry Gilmore, revealed that Mr. Gilmore is interested in having further conversation with NSCNA and councilman Pool. Kevin and Ken Webb plan to meet with Mr. Gilmore after Kevin has spoken with all the members of city council.
4. Kevin distributed copies of his talking points on the rezoning issue to the board members. (A copy is included in this meeting packet.) He will use this outline when he speaks to others about the zoning issue. The Board unanimously approved his sharing it with the Austin Neighborhood Council and other entities.
5. It would be helpful to obtain information as to the amount of low cost housing that is already in our area. Apparently the NSCNA and Wooten areas have more multifamily/affordable housing than the Allandale, Crestview, and Brentwood areas.

B. General discussion

1. The transcript from the last city council meeting revealed that council did not exactly follow parliamentary procedure in the way the motion to vote on the issue was presented. Further review of the transcript would be helpful to gain insights as to how they voted. Our rebuttal should address those specific issues
2. Examples of how NSCNA has successfully/amicably worked with other developers should be presented.
3. Differences in how development would affect our area vs other areas could be discussed with city council, with the idea being that what could be good for one area of Austin might be detrimental to our neighborhood.
4. The Board unanimously agreed that if the city council votes against NSCNA's request for MF-4, NSCNA would concede to MF-5.
5. The developer lowered the number of units he plans to build: from his initial 300 to his concession to 225.

6. Lois McEvoy will send thank you notes to the four city council members who supported the NSCN request for MF-4 zoning: Tovo, Pool, Kitchen, and Houston.

V. SETTING THE AGENDA OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MARCH 3, 2015

- A. Lois McEvoy will print 50 copies of these documents to be provided to those attending: January 6 General Meeting Minutes; treasurer's report; and a letter from the board summarizing what is now known about the Burnet rezoning issue.
- B. 6:30 p.m. meeting commences
 - Approval of the January 6, 2015 General Meeting minutes
 - Committee reports
 - General remarks

At 7:00p.m: City council woman Leslie Pool and her staff will be available to meet the group and to discuss the C14-2014- 0157 rezoning issue.

Anyone may speak at the General Meetings if they are acknowledged by the president. All speakers will be allowed to speak one time only, for 2-3 minutes.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2015 BUDGET

Amelia Cobb moved and Sharon Justice seconded that a temporary budget be approved: 2015 expenses will match 2014 expenses. Motion carried.

B. COMING SOCIAL EVENTS

Social Chairman Amelia Cobb reported the following.

1. NSCNA's neighborhood Garage Sale will be on May 2, 2015. Volunteer assistance with advertising is needed.
2. Pillow School will be hosting a fund raising garage sale and an art event on that day with graphic artists, food trucks, and tables under the pavilion where the public may sell items. The school is requesting a small donation per table.
3. The North Austin Art and Garden Tour, which will include our neighborhood will also take place on that day.

C SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS

The next two Board Meetings are scheduled for March 24, 2015 and April28, 2015 at Nissan Community Room.

The next General Meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2015 at Pillow School Cafetorium.

VII. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes of February 24, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes approved at Board of Directors meeting March 24, 2015