

BCNA STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance:

Sara Clark, Brad Patterson, Jim Middleton, Jody Zemel, Matt Coldwell, Scott Ogle (guest), Stuart Hampton, Michael Miguatti, Gary Hyatt, and Darren Peterson

We did not have a quorum for voting purposes.

I. Zoning:

A. 706 West Oltorf:

Scott Ogle gave a presentation in support of his request for a zoning change to allow a commercial use for his property at 706 West Oltorf (at South 3rd). The zoning change would require a change to the neighborhood plan. Zoning Committee was not in favor of zoning change because it is still viable for residential use and because Oltorf neighbors have historically opposed such changes. Scott reports that current neighbors he has talked to, with the exception of one, do not oppose the change. He also argues that Oltorf would be better zoned commercially, with limitations. He is willing to agree to “neighborhood office” “light office” with certain restrictions including limiting the number of cars that park there. He proposes tearing down the existing structure and building a two-story building. He notes that, across the street, commercial zoning has been approved. We discussed the proposal.

B. COA Notices:

We have received notices regarding (1) amending Chapter 25.4 relating to subdivision blocks, streets and pedestrian access (2/14/8) at City Council; (2) amending sections 25-8-92 and 30-5-92 relating to Critical Water Quality Zones along the shorelines of the Colorado River downstream of Town Lake (2/12/8 at Planning Commission; 2/28/8 at City Hall); and (3) amending Ord. Nos. 030320-23 and 030605-53 which address the process for neighborhood plan amendments (2/12/8 at Planning Comm’n; 3/6/8 at City Council).

C. Neighborhood Mixed Use Ordinance Amendment:

Passed on first reading. Will have to be presented for second and third readings.

II. By-Law Amendments

Ingrid W. appeared and recommended adoption of the amended by-laws with Committee chairs voting.

Matt Presented the Proposed Amendments Which: (1) Reduce the Standing Committee to (a) zoning and (b) parks and Green Spaces; and (2) Make the Standing Committee voting members of the Steering Committee.

We discussed the pros and cons of proposed amendments and tabled the proposal.

III. New Map/Sector Representatives:

We discussed the new map, which will be presented to the General Association for approval at the next meeting.

IV. Parks Report:

Jody Zemel presented:

(1) the plan for northern boundary improvements for N. Dawson Park (created by Steven Breaux). Timing changes in coordination with the wastewater line work will be important.

(2) information regarding the Lady Bird Wildflower Center plans to improve the West Bouldin Creek Greenbelt. Work will likely start in the Spring of 2008.

V. We adjourned at 8:25 p.m.