

ECCNPT Minutes 3-16-2011

Committee Reports

Crime & Safety: Lori is patrolling as East Side Rangers.

Local Historic District: Intern is coordinating with East Town Lake Neighborhood Assn and OCEAN. Developing "Homes Tour" just for neighbors.

Land Use: Will keep pushing to make Outdoor Music a prohibited use in TODs. Susan is scheduling meetings with Council and staff.

Affordable Housing: RBJ is looking at all options for redevelopment. HUD funding is no longer available.

Traffic & Transportation: Matt Lutz is co-chair with Ana Rowlan. Ana has been doing outreach through surveys and door knocking and is seeking an appointment with Mayor Pro Tem Martinez. Committee will seek Team and neighborhood advice about what to address first.

Economic Development:

- Second Business Mixer was held. Business owner survey and residents survey still open. Lori and Richard Roberts will deliver paper surveys to smaller business owners.
- Kathy Setzer will be asking for feedback on preliminary new website. Team will make time in April meeting to show off site. Each Committee chair will be responsible for their committee page. Action item next month will seek to establish new "Communications Committee".

Education: Ricardo encourages participation in ongoing AISD budget issues. Southwest Key has a proposal to lease East Side Memorial.

Unanimously approved of re-ordering agenda items to suit guests' time constraints.

Action Items

1. (item 3 on agenda)—The following new voting members spoke and were elected unanimously: Frank Campos (non-profit rep from El Buen Pastor); Chris Kneip (Resident Rep, Sector 3); Edie Cassel (Resident Rep, Sector 4).
2. (item 1 on agenda) Steven Dilley spoke about his request for re-zoning 1519 E. Cesar Chavez from Limited Restaurant to General Restaurant. His pizza place will operate 5 nights/week, evenings only, and will have parking provided in Matt Lutz's adjacent lot. Team voted unanimously to approve re-zoning for only a portion of the building, not to exceed 1500 sf, with the conditions that there be no outdoor music, and no late hours permit (after midnight).

3. (item 2 on agenda) Brandon Testa spoke about his request for a Conditional Use permit for a Cocktail Lounge at 907 E. 6th. We did not see plans for the building, kitchen, or site discussed. Request was rejected unanimously.
4. (item 5 on agenda) Lyon Gegenheimer spoke about his request for a variance from the Commercial Design Standards to keep existing sidewalks at his property at 1700 E. 2nd Street. The Team discussed the historic nature of the property, trees, and awnings and voted unanimously to empower the Land Use Committee to write a letter supporting or opposing this variance. We also heard an update from Lyon about his new potential lessee, a deli. Land Use Committee will update our previous letter of support for a Conditional Use for Restaurant, with the same conditions we agreed to previously (no outdoor music).
5. (item 4 on agenda) Treasurer Susan presented plan to move all monies to a no-fee/no-interest ECC checking account at Prosperity Bank. Current Chair and Treasurer will have signature authority. Plan was approved unanimously.
6. Items 6 and 7 (RBJ Center discussion; new meeting rules and protocols) were moved to the April agenda.

Adjourned.