
Office of Neighborhood Services
Advisory Council
October 18, 2005
Minutes

Members Present: Linda Carleton
Bob Gomez
Bill Culp
Andrew Penns
Nancy Estes

Members Absent: Rick Richardson (resigned)
David Hall (resigned)
Susan Robinson

Staff Present: Larry Abrigg, Planning Services Division
Erica Bates, Office of Neighborhood Services

Guests Present: Lydia Long

Agenda Item 1: Call the Meeting to Order by the Chair, Linda Carleton

Ms. Carleton convened the meeting at 4:10 p.m. and declared a quorum present. Ms. Carleton read the opening statement for the ONS Advisory Council.

Agenda Item 2: Approval of the minutes of the July 14, 2005 meeting

Mr. Culp moved to accept the minutes as submitted. Mr. Gomez seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes as written.

Agenda Item 3: Discussion of the 2006 CBDG and HOME budget (no vote)

A copy of the 2006 CBDG and HOME budget was distributed to the Council and discussed at length. Ms. Bates explained the budget and answered questions.

Council members agreed they wanted to receive by e-mail a report sent to the City Council concerning activities of the Office of Neighborhood Services.

Agenda Item 4: Update and discussion on neighborhood associations, plans and issues (no vote)

Mr. Abrigg reviewed the active projects in eight super neighborhood areas. The Ft. Phantom Area is awaiting a City Council appointed committee to consider a second phase study by a consultant. North College has two active associations and both are working toward a neighborhood plan. The Cedar Creek Association in Abilene Heights has completed their physical survey and is working on a survey to be sent to the super neighborhood residents. Sears Park's revitalization committee has extended their

boundaries to include the entire super neighborhood. Cobb Park still has the Town West group desiring a historic district and the Abilene Preservation League wants to start a neighborhood association around the historic Swenson House at 1726 Swenson Street. The Sayles Boulevard Area's Amarillo-Highland Association is considering landscape lighting and signage for Sayles Boulevard. Also a group along Amarillo Street is considering a historic district. In Original Town South the association is assisting a group looking into a historic district and the Butternut Association will be meeting in November to review a plan for Butternut Street. The ICAN association is still working on a historic subject marker for Dr. Butler's home at 701 Mesquite Street. Mr. Penns commented on ICAN and their other projects.

Agenda Item 5: Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Approved: _____ Chairman
Date: _____