

**Austin Neighborhoods Council  
Executive Committee Meeting  
721 Barton Springs Rd.  
March 8, 2006**

**Minutes**

Prepared by Kevin Lewis, Secretary

Attendees, with position:

Laura Morrison, President

Jeff Jack, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Katrina Daniel, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President

Linda Guererro, Treasurer

Kevin Lewis, Secretary

Bo McCarver, Sector rep

Laine Jastram, Sector rep

Dana Lockler, Sector rep

Bill Stoughton, Webmaster

1. Laura Morrison called the meeting to order—7:06pm
2. Approval of minutes. No minutes had been emailed around for approval. Secretary is working on that and will email minutes of 2006 meetings this week.
3. Officer/Sector Rep reports
  - a. Treasurer's report—Linda Guerrero. We have \$1,800 in ANC account.
  - b. Membership—Laura Morrison. Discussion of membership. We have managed to get a number of renewals and new memberships. Current roster is over 60 members. Discussion of waivers and outreach. LM moved, Katrina 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous vote to support Chestnut's waiver of dues.
  - c. Zoning—Katrina Daniel. Discussion of residential regulations workshop. ANC will convene a workshop regarding current residential regulations task force work. Plan is to build consensus about what neighborhoods should support as the regulations are being assembled.
  - d. Sector reports:
    1. South—Jeff Jack
      - South Lamar Combined neighborhood planning process is slowing down as a result of staff attrition.
      - Velodrome proposal involving 2 areas of parkland along Town Lake is not supported by parks advocates. They will write position statement opposing parkland locations
    2. North—Laine Jastram
      - There is a lot of development proceeding along 360, 2222, 620. Neighborhood volunteers have been advised that they need to watchdog the construction for compliance with environmental regulations.
    3. East—Bo McCarver
      - Redeemer Church is stalled in expansion process. There is some concern that that land might be developed by a successor developer at inappropriate densities.
      - Single Member Districts would still be appreciated by Eastsiders.
      - Neighbors around Manor Road are working with Austin Independent Business Alliance on a possible pro-local business ordinance. This was inspired by local businesses on East Side,

but could be implemented city-wide.

-I-35 widening is still being considered and should be watched.

4. Committee Reports

Neighborhood Planning workshop—is being planned for April 15 at UT. Lori Renteria and Patricia Wise are organizing.

5. Program Planning

a. March—candidate forum

b. April—Kirk Watson

c. May—Office of police monitor,

6. Unfinished/ongoing business

a. speed limit lowering—Laura Morrison

There is concern over the process for requesting lowering to 25mph limit. The city's process for prioritizing areas and time of implementation is unclear. Katrina Daniel will draft a letter to the Urban Transportation Committee regarding this process.

7. New Business

a. Use of ANCTalk for commercial services.

There is concern over the recent posting of commercial messages to the ANCTalk email list. We risk overloading the list and distorting its purpose. Mark Boyden will post an etiquette netiquette memo.

b. Review of Open Government Online charter or ordinance—Laura Morrison

Council Member Leffingwell's office is pursuing drafting an alternative ordinance regarding Open Government Online charter amendment issues. Discussion of merits of ordinance approach or likelihood of torpedoing charter amendment election support. General agreement to continue to discuss studying merits or problems of charter amendments, possibly in conjunction with other groups.

c. Vertical Mixed Use—this new zoning class has been created. How it would be implemented within neighborhood planning teams is unclear and problematic. ANC will try to get information out to planning teams about this issue.

d. 51<sup>st</sup> Street Water Tower Project Advisory Committee recommendations—Mark Boyden, Windsor Park NA. Request is for community preferred design. See handout for position statement. Jeff moves to support the position, Bill Stoughton seconds. Passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.