

CNA Steering Committee Meeting
November 28, 7 - 9p
Taqueria Los Altos
Jules Vieau (outgoing Chair) presiding

ATTENDING: Buchanan, DeLaune, Estabrook, Folmer, Menhard, Ranne, Schuster, Spanelli, Westenbarger. NOT ATTENDING: Howard, Kohout, Sander, Schwarz. VISITORS: Gordon Bennett, Girard Kinney, Stephen Kreger, Jack Newman, Pauline Porter, Jerry Rusthoven (Exec. Asst. to Council Member Jackie Goodman)

1. UPPER BOGGY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN.

- Stephen Kreger summed up the final phase. The Plan should be wrapped up and approved by Council by March.
- Jerry Rusthoven reported that Council is expected to pass a resolution 11/29 instructing the City Manager to draft an Ordinance to allow Neighborhood Plans to have sub-districts with slightly different zoning rules.

2. GETTING ACQUAINTED: THE NEW STEERING COMMITTEE

- Old-timers articulated why they're still in Cherrywood and still active in CNA. Newcomers articulated why they've chosen Cherrywood, and now have chosen to become active in CNA. This discussion was truly interesting. It turned on elements of convenience, community, and diversity, and yielded a pithy distillation by Kyre Ranne: "I like living where I can leave my Christmas lights on 360 days a year, and still be considered normal."
- The abiding issue of structure briefly arose. One take is that CNA will evolve a more developed hierarchy of committees and responsibilities, stimulated gradually by individuals who invest energy in projects of interest (as so many are doing now). The other take is that CNA could actually encourage more activity by first putting in place a more workable structure. My prediction: the new SC, as every previous one, will take the former path in practice after agreeing the latter path is better in principle.

3. OFFICER ELECTIONS

As you may recall, the CNA general membership elects half of a 13-member Steering Committee each October, thus providing some continuity and some new blood. The SC then elects four officers from among their own number. The 2002 corps, by acclamation is:

- Chair: Bree Buchanan <bbuchanan2@austin.rr.com> 482-8468, 685-6247 (off.)
- Vice-Chair: Dave Westenbarger <daveintex13@yahoo.com> 494-9905
- Secretary: James Spanelli <jjspan_austin@yahoo.com> 236-1482
- Treasurer (continuing): Lyn Estabrook <lynestabrook@hotmail.com> 458-5317

- The other 9 SC Members are:

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Kyle Ranne <kyleranne@aol.com > 478-7506
Jim Sander <jimsander@earthlink.net > 478-3377
Stefan Schuster <hydroplan@hotmail.com > 322-0059, 587-7356 (cell)
Rebecca Schwarz <rschwarz1@austin.rr.com > 478-9618

4. TRAFFIC CALMING

- Kathy Jones, Girard Kinney, and Mark Lind have hand-delivered* to City Council a letter expressing our case for calming, (*Under new security rules, "hand-delivered" means faxed even from within the Council office suite)
- What happens to this appeal will depend on City sales tax revenues and consequent availability of funds, on strength of competition from other neighborhoods who also want calming, and even on whether the (a new?) City Manager might rearrange priorities. But CNA's campaign is underway.

5. APPROPRIATION FOR DOMAIN NAME

- ****MOTION*** Reimburse Jules Vieau \$120 for re-registering <cherrywood.org> so that tying only this easy-to-remember address will open the CNA Web site.

6. SC MEETING TIME

- Wednesday evenings were preferred by those attending. Next will be January 9, 6:00p, at a place to be announced.