

CNA General Quarterly Meeting

21 May 2014

*Attendees (*CNA Steering Committee):*

Katie Halloran (Interim Chair)*

Derek Bishop

Meg Bishop

Leyla Cohlmia

Terry Dyke *

Francie Greene

Rich Heyman

Girard Kinney *

Jules Kniolek *

Brendan Wittstruck (Secretary) *

James Nyfeler

Jason Schaub

Emily Schwartz *

Mike Sullivan

Heather Telo

Kathleen Tyner

Cindy Ybarra

Visitors in attendance:

Mateo Barnstone (Mueller NA/NCINC2)

Bill Blome

Roger Temme (Care Communities)

Jolene Kiobassa

Councilmember Chris Riley

Call to Order (6:30 PM)

Adoption of Agenda

- Meeting attendance does not represent a CNA quorum

Announcements

- *Care Communities*; Roger Temme of Care Communities reports that organization is looking for Cherrywood volunteers to join care team for persons battling HIV/AIDS and Cancer;
- *Hancock Golf Course*; Emily Schwartz reports there is no substantial news regarding status of Hancock G.C.; usage numbers will play a role in determining future planning;
- *Airport Boulevard Social Club*; Girard Kinney reports establishment of Airport Blvd. Social Club, an organization focusing on entire length of Airport Blvd. Corridor; anyone wishing to be involved or learn more to contact Girard

Bylaws Committee

- *CAN Quarterly Meeting Notice Change*; Rich Heyman in attendance to report Bylaws changes for discussion and action; item tabled in absence of CNA quorum

Treasurer's Report (Rebecca Kohout)

- No report given

Communications Committee Report

- No report given

Land Use & Transportation Report (Girard Kinney)

- *Sidewalks*; LUT has recommended to SC that Maplewood sidewalk be built to 6' wide and as straight as possible and according to ADA standards; LUT has also recommended to SC that entire Sidewalk Master Plan be revisited;
- *711 @ 38 ½/Airport*; LUT has recommended that SC write letter to 711/developer expressing our extreme disappointment, notably referring to the burr oak removal and stormwater drainage concerns;
- *TXDOT/Mobility 35 Study*; LUT has recommended to SC four main points of neighborhood focus (Airport Blvd intersection design, ramp removals/Manor Rd. traffic, frontage right-of-way acquisition (between 32nd and 38 ½ Streets, northbound) scheme, and consideration of alternate routes);
- *Airport Blvd Longhorns*; Brendan Wittstruck reports on Mueller NA interest in revisiting Airport Blvd "Longhorns" (at Wilshire/Aldrich, Schieffer/Zach Scott); CNA was originally in favor of Longhorns but has not taken any updated position

Update on TxDOT/Mobility35 Plans

- Brendan Wittstruck reports the basics of the Mobility35 Plans:
 - Study area of IH35 between Georgetown and San Marcos.
 - Increase capacity by adding two additional lanes of traffic, noted as "Future Transportation Corridor";
 - Requires demolition, reconstruction of all east-west bridges across IH35 between St. Johns and MLK;
 - Requires removal of outdated on- and off-ramps; Plans call for removal of 7 of the 9 existing ramps in Segment 4 (near Cherrywood);
 - Mobility35 Phase 2 is complete but designs will change; Phases 3-5 are not yet funded;
 - CNA has joined NCINC2
- TxDOT has expressed particular interest in CNA position on proposal to add northbound off-ramp between 32nd and 38 ½ Streets, which would require purchase of parcels for additional right-of-way and closure of frontage businesses;
- Rail is not in the purview of TxDOT for this Plan; CNA, others have requested that new bridges be built with enough clearance to allow for future potential rail along IH35 Corridor;
- ANC-East resolution going to vote at ANC General meeting on June 10th; CNA concerns:
 - Authorship of resolution is unclear;
 - CNA has not had opportunity to discuss content and take representative position on resolution; a special meeting is under consideration to prepare a position, as allowed by by-laws

- CNA Comments Regarding Mobility35 Plans:
 - “How do I get home?”
 - Possibility of modern roundabout, other traffic improvement at “triangle” of Dean Keeton, Manor;
 - Possibility of straightening 32nd street intersection on west side of IH35;
 - Possibility for disconnect between City jurisdiction and TxDOT jurisdiction;
 - ReConnect Austin “cut and cap” proposal still on the table;
 - CNA current position is in favor of depressed IH35 west of neighborhood

Formation of NCINC2

- Mateo Barnstone reports on formation of North Central I-35 Neighborhood Coalition 2 (NCINC2); Mateo is the Chair of this group;
 - North central equivalent of downtown stakeholders group;
 - Includes representatives from neighborhoods on both sides of IH35;
 - Mission includes effort to inform/educate each other, neighborhoods, advocate for neighborhoods and advocate for alternative transportation options;
- Currently preparing letter to TxDOT in response to May 1st neighborhoods workshop; CNA was represented at that workshop by Katie Halloran, Girard Kinney and Brendan Wittstruck

Special Meeting(s) on Mobility35 Plans

- Proposal to seek other venues besides meetings to convey information to neighborhood; suggestion that volunteers canvas the neighborhood and speak to interested residents about Mobility35 Plans and record comments and concerns;
- Suggestion to convene meeting to discuss ANC-East resolution on June 4th, to precede LUT meeting; LUT will provide recommendation to SC;
- Suggestion to request ANC delay vote to allow time for CNA position;
- Secretary to distribute links to resources, TxDOT materials to NeighborNet and meeting attendees

Adjourn (8:10 PM)