October 11 Meeting

Minutes of Last Meeting

By Diane Wolta
Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:16 a.m. by Chairman Stan McIntyre. The meeting was held at the Denver Police Academy and hosted by North City Park.

INC Business:

(1) There was no correspondence.

(2) Treasurer's report (dated October 1997) was handed out in written form.

(3) Announcements: T. Michael Smith, an original organizer of INC, will be the speaker at the Presidents' dinner, October 21, 1997 at the Hyatt Regency; the first meeting to rewrite the Neighborhood Ordinance has taken place and a draft will be forthcoming as soon as possible; the INC quarterly meeting with Mayor Webb will be held 11/5/97, 7:00 p.m., St. Luke's church, Quebec and 13th Ave. -- everyone should be there and bring your neighbors.

(4) Speakers -- the four at-large candidates for DPS School Board: Lee McClendon, Gary Apel, Ron Roybal and Lee White. Each opened with a prepared statement, followed by prepared INC questions, followed by open questions from the floor, and finished with a short closing statement from each candidate.

MOTION: "The regular INC meetings should always have 'Around the City' and give it a priority ahead of the speakers for the day." Passed unanimously.

MOTION: "INC supports Transit '97." Passed 10-7-3.

MOTION: "INC to send a letter to Mayor Webb congratulating him on the city's decision to sue the EPA in support of the affected neighbors in the area of the Shattuck Chemical Company Superfund site." Passed unanimously.

Around the City

Cherry Point reports "success" -- after attending the last INC quarterly meeting with the Mayor they are getting results, two new stop signs are going in

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Chairman's Column
By Stan McIntyre

INC, with the Mayor's Partnership, has become a key player in how neighborhoods and the city do business. Through the Office of Neighborhood Response, City Council and neighborhood leaders are looking at the ordinance governing registered neighborhood associations. The first citywide meeting of neighborhood leaders and leaders from the city will be held after the first of next year. A special committee will plan this program.

Plan on attending the Public Information Training Program hosted by Channel 4, The Denver Post, City of Denver, and INC. This program will be held November 11 at 7 p.m. at the main Denver Public Library, and will inform non-profit groups as to how to get news of their organizations aired or in print. The program is free.

The INC Quarterly Meeting with the Mayor is your opportunity to address the Mayor and his staff with problems or needs that can make your neighborhood more enjoyable.

See you at the next INC meeting on November 8th. Plan to tour the Police Academy.

Letters to INC

LRA Has Its Say

Dear INC:

I recently read a "Lowry Update" from Ms Debbie James in the October 1997 Newsletter of Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation and would like to discuss its content with you.

The Lowry Redevelopment Authority (LRA) was created as a public agency by the two cities: Denver and Aurora, to oversee the redevelopment of the closed Lowry Air Force Base. With over 600 resident families located at Lowry in interim, market-rate rentals, the LRA has also registered with the City of Denver as an official neighborhood association.

The comments made by Ms. James in your recent newsletter are neither timely nor accurate and reflect her personal opinions or that of the Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association (MPNA) but not Lowry in any fashion. Ms. James is not connected with the Lowry neighborhood and is not a conduit for any official information coming from Lowry. Old, inaccurate information adds nothing for your readers and, in this case, distorts an LRA board member's statements quite badly.

The LRA, on behalf of the Lowry neighborhood, would be most happy to provide a periodic update to the INC on the current happenings at Lowry which include new housing starts, new parks construction, major infrastructure construction and commercial leasing - all within the Lowry community.

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Report on Nuisance Abatement Actions

By Lisa Ferreira
INC Representative to Nuisance Abatement Advisory Committee

The nuisance abatement oversight committee met on September 17, 1997. The report from Lt. Bricker of the Nuisance Abatement Unit (N.A.U.), Denver Police Department indicated that there had been 109 properties investigated over the last three months. Of these, 85% were abated through voluntary compliance. The N.A.U. has closed three houses, which were subsequently sold on the open market.

Currently the N.A.U. is averaging about 15 motor vehicles per month that are impounded due to weapons and/or drug violations. Because the current ordinance only allows for the destruction of vehicles if abatement plans are not followed, the task force will be looking into the alternative option of the forfeiture of vehicles.

Draft of Development Plan Released

Denver's Community Development Agency has announced the release of its draft 1998-2002 Consolidated Plan. The plan identifies housing and community development needs and includes strategies intended to address those needs.

The draft plan can be obtained at 216 16th St., #400, or by calling 640-7128.

A 30-day public review period will expire on November 14, 1997. Questions can be directed to Everett Madrigal at 640-3556.

NOTICE

To contact the Office of Neighborhood Response, Please Call 640-5827
Lanterns for Learning

Summer Scholars is a community-funded literacy program for elementary aged children who are struggling with reading.

We offer a six-week literacy intensive summer school and recreation program for 900 children in Northeast Denver.

Lanterns for Learning is a fundraising project to support the Program at Summer Scholar’s 16 affiliated schools.

Join in the festive southwestern tradition of Luminarias and show your support of Lanterns for Learning.

Light your Lanterns in unison in support of literacy on Sunday evening,
December 14, 1997
(raindate December 21st)

Luminarias will be available for pickup by December 8th.
Pickup locations to be announced.

Proceeds will benefit the Summer Scholars Program
at your local elementary school.

For more information contact Joan Miles at 399-7364.

1997 Luminaria Order Form

Name: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________
Please direct my support to ___________________________ school

Luminaria: 1 set includes 12 preassembled bags with sand and candles.
I would like to order _____ sets (12 bags each set) at $5.00 per set. Enclosed is: $________
Candles only (10 candles per box) at $2.00 per box. Enclosed is: $________
Make check payable to Summer Scholars: Total Enclosed $________

Order deadline is Tuesday, December 2, 1997.

Return order form to: Lanterns c/o Summer Scholars
1720 Emerson Street
Denver, CO 80218

Participating Schools:
Ashley Barrett
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on Happy Canyon Rd. that they have asked for for a long time. E. Montclair is being active in the redevelopment of Stapleton Airport. CHUN reminds everyone to check for unsafe traffic conditions in their area and work on them until they are resolved. Ruby Hill has submitted for a couple of park grants and they are waiting to hear the results.

Wager Fundraiser

N. City Park had a great (and simple) fundraiser, by selling bus tickets to Blackhawk for gambling they raised $500, and they are involved with youth, with three-on-three basketball tournaments at recreation centers with local fire stations involved too. Harkness Heights is glad the medians are finally going in on Federal Blvd.

West Highlands finally has results to show for their every Saturday graffiti paint-outs -- they have kept it for at least a year and they are winning the war, almost no graffiti when they go out to check now! Concerned Citizens for Barnum had a great Federal Blvd. cleanup; Hobby Lobby finally has their spray paint locked up in a caged area and IDs youths before selling it; and with money from a Safe City Summit grant, they are having adult GED classes, and computer labs for kids before school.

Attack on R-1

West University advises everyone to watch out, as R-1 zoning is "under attack" and the public hearing process is being circumvented by city officials advising developers to go for an R-3 rezoning instead -- so they only have to get city council approval! Keep Denver Beautiful will be celebrating its 20th year anniversary, and is seeking members for its Advisory Board (and $400,000 was spent by the city public works department to take off graffiti in the past year). Overland is thrilled for the city's support in suing the EPA over the Shattuck Chemical contamination. United South East Denver will plan a 2nd Annual traffic summit for '98.

Mayfair continues to be impacted by Lowry redevelopment with no direct input on the Redevelopment Board, so Mayfair President Debbie James has resigned in hopes that her leaving will remove an apparent "insurmountable obstacle" to accomplishing her area's goals.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Letters to INC

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With your agreement, the LRA would like to join the INC, officially, and to send a representative to meetings. It would also seem appropriate for someone from within the Lowry community to act as the Lowry Redevelopment Chair rather than someone from outside Lowry.

The INC serves a great citywide purpose and we would like to take a more active role. Please let me know how we might become a part.

James E. Meadows
Executive Director

INC Input Important

Dear Mr. McIntyre:

Mayor Webb received your letter recommending Michael Henry and Jim Zavist for a seat on appropriate committees working on Denver's Comprehensive Plan and has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Please be assured that your input is important and will be taken into consideration when an appointment is made.

Donna Good
Assistant to the Mayor
Health Policy/Boards and Commissions

Zavist, Bancroft Win Awards

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bars on East Colfax, many of which battles were successful. Also in the mid-1980s, Virginia became a delegate to and board member of Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation, where she served as a hard-working, constructive, calming influence. She served as secretary of INC and was an active member of the INC Crime Committee. According to her husband, Dan, "Virginia was so fond of the people in Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation that it might be said that it came right after her family in importance in her life."

Bill Gross was a very active neighborhood leader and civic participant. Bill served for many years as the president and a major leader of the Whittier Neighborhood Association. Bill served as a board member of INC from 1982 to 1986, INC President from 1987 to 1989, and Crime Committee Chairman from 1992 to 1994. He served on numerous boards and commissions, and received many commendations and awards for his lifetime of community service.

Mayor’s Quarterly Meeting

will be Nov. 5
(not Nov. 6 as previously announced)

7 p.m. at St. Luke's Church
13th Avenue & Quebec
Next INC Meeting
Saturday, November 8
Denver Police Academy
8895 E. Montview Blvd.
(same place as last month)
9:00 a.m. - Coffee & Donuts
9:15 - Call to Order, Correspondence, Treasurer's Report, Membership
9:20 - Around the City
10:10 - Break
10:45 - Auditor Don Mares
11:00 - Mayor's Partnership Program
11:45 - INC Business
12:00 - Adjourn
12:05 - Tour of Police Academy

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