

LHNC Planning Committee
Aztecs Rising, 3516 N Broadway
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 6:30pm

I. Welcome, call to order – Meeting called to order by Frank Wada, Cochair at 6:36pm

II. Roll call – In attendance (28) : Margarita Amador, Carmen Diaz, Enrique Diaz, Pilar Buelna, Gabriel Buelna, Maribel Cabrera, Carmen M. Diaz, Maria Gomez, Arturo Gonzales, Mike Hernandez, John Hrovat, Grace Kim, Ana Maria Lara, Benny Madera, Mario Marrufo, John Menchaca, Christopher Murray, Sevin Riley, Vince Rosiles, Raymond Saborio, Susan Silvera, Richard Silvera, Sister Patricia Ann Smith, Mayela Vargas, Melanie Vega, Robert Vega, Frank Wada and Ben Wadsworth.

III. Discussion and Recommendations on Planning and Land Use Developments

A. Monitor unfinished business

3303 N Broadway - Frank said that the Charles Company has submitted their plans to the City and it may be a couple of months before they are approved.

Thomas Street development – no word from Raymond Munro, the project manager

River(Piggy) –Frank said that there is talk about putting an Olympic village on the East side where the tracks are – this would affect the River Revitalization

B. Quality of Life issues - none

C. Updates – none

D. New Business

MOTION: The LHNC Planning Committee recommends to the Board of Governors that a letter of support for the Alliance Susan and Eric Schmidt Technology High School and Alliance College-ready Middle Academy #5 at 217 Ave 20 in Lincoln Heights proposed Multipurpose/Classrooms zoning approvals (Conditional use permits) be prepared and submitted to the City Council (Case No. CPC-2013-633-CU-F). **Moved: Silvera, S/2nd Menchaca.** Discussion: There was no discussion because the project was thoroughly discussed at the August 26 meeting. **VOTE: 5 ayes, 1 nay, 0 abstentions.**
Motion passed.

Presentation and discussion of Sacred Heart High School Multipurpose building

Arturo Gonzales and John Hrovat presented the project, a 11,776 sq ft MP room which can be used for athletic practice with a 797 sq ft kitchen, a stage, lockers and restrooms. It will replace the current cafeteria and kitchen. There will be seating for 300 people. There will be a 1229 sq ft canvas shade area. The code requires 60 parking places which they have found by adding spaces on properties across Sichel. Currently all athletic practice is off site at Lincoln Park. There will be a fence around the lot that will total 10' tall. The Shay Foundation is funding the project. The convent will not be affected. Sister Patricia Ann Smith made an impassioned plea for support of the project which has been a dream for 35 years. Ana Maria Lara described the difficulty in getting to Lincoln Park for practice. Many other supporters of the project spoke. The project requires five entitlements: 1) Deemed to be approved (the original building was built before codes) 2) Approval of Plans to expand the building by 20% 3) Zoning administrator's adjustment for a smaller front yard 4) Shared parking approval to use 27 parking spaces on adjacent streets 5) A certificate of appropriateness for the HPOZ design review board. A straw vote was taken of the committee, who are unanimously in favor of the project. Sevin asked for larger elevations to get a sense of the building's appearance. The project will be agendaized for a vote at the next meeting.

Smart Growth

Sevin described Smart Growth principles in the ongoing series of informative talks to educate the committee. There are 10: 1) Mixed use, 2) Compact building design, 3) Range of housing choices, 4) Walkable neighborhoods, 5) Distinctive and attractive places, 6) Open space and farmland preservation, 7) Development in existing communities, 8) Transportation choices, 9) Predictable and fair decision-making, 10) Community and stakeholder participation.

IV. Announcements – meetings held the second Wednesday of the month – 10/14, 11/11, 12/9

V. Public comment - none

VI. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

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