



# LAVACA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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## Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 3, 2020, 6:30 pm

Doucette Residence

<b>Officers and Directors</b>	
Cherise Rohr-Allegrini, President Sarah Sorenson, Vice President Kat Doucette, Secretary Vik Gudi, Treasurer Nick Melde, Planning VACANT, Communications Dir.	Douglas Mendizabal, Membership Director VACANT, Transportation & Public Safety Billy Lambert, Southtown Business Owner Darryl Ohlenbusch, Zoning & Historic Pres. VACANT, Events Coordinator Nataly Jennings, At Large

Board Members Present: Cherise Rohr-Allegrini, Kat Doucette, Nick Melde, Darryl Ohlenbusch, Nataly Jennings, Douglas Mendizabal, Sarah Sorenson

Board Members Absent: Billy Lambert, Vik Gudi

Guests: None

### Meeting Called to order at 6:42 pm

<b>1. Call to Order</b>	
<b>2. Visiting Potential Member</b>	Amy Young – Communications
<b>3. Treasurer Report</b>	a. Beginning Balance Jan. 1, 2020 - \$ 14,272.23 b. Ending Balance Jan. 31, 2020 - \$ 14,366.54
<b>4. Membership Roundup</b>	a. Communications – the role may change. Doug is happy to still work on the website. The role would be responsible for social media and getting the word out about the meetings. b. 41 ballots were cast at the last meeting. 39 votes, 2 abstained. Bylaws were approved. Everyone who was running was voted in.
<b>5. Neighborhood Engagement</b>	a. There has been engagement from Government Hill neighborhood about membership and neighborhood associations. We are not sure about the outcome, but we will be on alert.
<b>6. Labor Street Parking Strategy</b>	a. Darryl is working on a master plan. b. The part of the park that's closest to the administration

	<p>building is not part of Parks &amp; Rec, but is on a long term lease with the housing authority. In May or June of 2019, in soliciting bids for Victoria Commons, we learned that the housing authority planned not to renew the lease with Parks &amp; Rec to be part of the property for the new developer.</p> <p>c. The housing authority has selected a master developer for the VC project.</p> <p>d. Darryl received a rather boilerplate email from the housing authority dismissing the neighborhood’s input over the last several years.</p> <p>e. Darryl proposes a return letter to Linda Deitrick and copy the Councilman. He wants to let them know that the neighborhood is not the adversary, but rather we want to work with them to expand the green space.</p> <p>f. With the current proposal, we’d lose the basketball court, which is well-used, so we’d like to propose another space for basketball courts. An option would be to re-use the storm water retention areas for possible basketball courts.</p> <p>g. Darryl would like to propose a drawing to use green space that is not currently used to replace the 1-acre that would be lost.</p>
<p><b>7. Jacobs St.</b></p>	<p>a. We are meeting with Patrick Christensen and D-1 Councilman on Feb. 11.</p> <p>b. Arguments – traffic and safety.</p> <p>c. Density puts a street on a small street like Jacobs, not enough parking for all the units, high school kids coming to school.</p> <p>d. The SA Tomorrow Plan isn’t prescriptive, but it should be a guideline. It got neighborhood buy in. What the developer proposes is far beyond reasonable.</p> <p>e. the meeting would be a good time to discuss remediation of the bad intersection of Jacobs and St. Mary’s.</p> <p>f. Have they done a traffic impact analysis? It’s a requirement for IDZ.</p>
<p><b>8. Art in the Park</b></p>	
<p><b>a. 12-4 pm. Apr. 4</b></p>	<p>a. Vik created a nice checklist – we should look at it and pick a job.</p> <p>b. Foklorico wants to perform.</p> <p>c. Parks &amp; Rec may have a travelling stage we can use.</p> <p>d. Want to set up a history of Victoria Courts for the Lavaca Booth.</p>
<p><b>b. School Participants</b></p>	<p>a. Bonham, Green, and Brackenridge have been contacted. So far Bonham has responded.</p> <p>b. Mustard Seed may want to participate. Also the YMCA.</p> <p>c. We would reach out to grad school programs at UTSA - we may be able to do sponsorships for student artists?</p>

<b>c. Need to get website up/active</b>	
<b>9. Meet and Greet with Other Neighborhoods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Fun gathering with Roosevelt Park Board. We will set up a date.</li> <li>b. We want to reach out to Denver Heights.</li> </ul>
<b>10. March 17 General Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. A motion was made to get new LNA meeting signs. It was approved by a quorum.</li> <li>b. It's on St. Patrick's Day. That shouldn't be an issue.</li> </ul>
<b>a. Local Business Night</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Local businesses are invited to set up a table.</li> <li>b. We can invite the Councilman.</li> </ul>
<b>b. Other topics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. If other topics come up that need to be addressed, we can talk then.</li> <li>b. Is it worth making the lower half of the neighborhood historic?</li> </ul>
<b>11. May General Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. SAISD has sent a request to speak at one of the LNA meetings. It may be about the bond. The principals can come speak.</li> <li>b. Can we do a presentation on property tax resources?</li> </ul>
<b>12. Adjourn</b>	

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm**

Kat McColley Doucette, Secretary