



LAVACA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 3, 2020, 6:30 pm

Via Zoom Conference Call

Officers and Directors	
Cherise Rohr-Allegrini, President Sarah Sorenson, Vice President Kat Doucette, Secretary Vik Gudi, Treasurer Nick Melde, Planning Amy Young, 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, Billy Lambert, and Amy Young.

Board Members Absent: Sarah Sorensen, Vik Gudi

Guests: None

Meeting Called to order at 6:34 pm

1. Call to Order	
2. OHP Meeting to Discuss Making all of Lavaca Historic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cherise, Darryl, Billy, and Nick had a Zoom meeting with Jenny Hay at OHP. - The question was: do we treat the S. St. Mary's corridor differently than the neighborhood on the east side of S. Presa, or join the neighborhood as one? Jenny Hay's recommendation was to join the entire neighborhood as one large district. - At least 51% of the properties would have to vote for district expansion in order for the district to expand. - The goal would be to expand both the commercial corridor and the single family residential area of the neighborhood. - The OHP shared our concern in the growing number of demolition cases as well as development cases. OHP shares our passion for conservation in these areas.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next step is to gather more information from OHP to distribute to residence owners and business owners for the district expansion. - There are tax credit possibilities and fee waivers we can pursue. - As a board, the recommendation is for us to feel out the neighborhood – weigh concerns as well as other insights.
<p>3. Meeting with Councilman Trevino re Homeless Camp at Southtown Community Garden</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Southtown Community Garden camp lullied in residency for awhile, but comes and goes. - Lawson Picasso – new liaison for Lavaca Neighborhood. In charge of communications for D1. - The topic that Cherise is getting messages about most is the homeless population. The homeless camp that's at the Southtown Community Garden at Sadie & S. Presa has come into question. There's anywhere from 2-7 homeless residents at a given time. At one point the police came to disburse the residents. - Goal: How can we make it a safe environment for everyone, including those in the homeless camp? <p>Councilman Trevino's response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COSA is increasing social workers and social services. - He's working on a budget with Melody Woolsey and SAPD, and they're creating a task force to combine resources and fund a program for homelessness. - The city has hired a homeless coordinator - They can share the plan with us. - They're going to have many interns from OLLU as social interns who can be deployed in different areas to provide support in hot spots. <p>Other Potential Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There's a medical group from UIW who is aware of the group and is available to provide medical care. - There's another non-profit that can provide medical treatment to those who test positive for HIV.
<p>4. September General Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Third Tuesday in September. Will be held by Zoom. - We can talk about historic designation at the meeting. Darryl can present the idea. We will have a map.
<p>5. Adjourn</p>	

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm
Kat McColley Doucette, Secretary