

## SLNA Meeting Minutes for May 20, 2010

Meeting was called to order by Thomas Bleich, who chaired the meeting in the President's absence.

First matter of business was a report from Officer Robert Barbosa, our APD Southwest Area Command District Representative. He reported that overall crime is down in the city, but property crimes such as burglary are on the rise. Ofr. Barbosa offered tips to help prevent being targeted for a break-in, such as:

- Don't leave blinds open while gone
- Don't put boxes for electronic devices out at curbside trash
- Get to know your neighbors
- Call when minors are roaming outside during curfew, midnight-5am
- When in doubt, call 911 when seeing something suspicious.

Bryan King mentioned that the old Unity Church building is being broken into, Ofr. Barbosa suggested he call in and make a report. Mr. King also brought up violations of decibel limits by establishments with outdoor music. Ofr. Barbosa discussed the problems of enforcing the noise ordinance.

Next presentation was by Raf Robinson and Steve Martin of Irie Bean, a coffeehouse located at 2310 S Lamar Blvd. They were there to give SLNA an update of their outdoor music permit process. They were seeking a lot line sound level limit of 85 decibels. Carol Gibbs, who is the COA Neighborhood Liaison, suggested to Mr. Robinson and Mr. Martin that they contact Don Pitts and David Murray, the city's Music Coordinator and sound engineer respectively, to ask them to work with Irie Bean to achieve compliance with the decibel limit and minimize how their live music would affect neighbors.

Next, Nancy Maclaine discussed the upcoming Planning Commission meeting with the rezoning request for the Bartlett property on del Curto Road. She and Bryan King outlined SLNA's position on limiting the number of housing units to 14 as opposed to the 22 units the developer wants. City staff recommends SF-6 zoning which would limit the property to 16 units.

Next was an update on the status of the neighborhood park development. Bryan King suggested that SLNA apply for the Adopt-A-Park program. There was also discussion of finding a replacement Park Committee chair. Carol Gibbs encouraged those living near the property that received a survey from the city concerning the park to fill in and send back the survey. Mr. King then made a motion that SLNA apply for Adopt -A-Park, Bill Stoughton seconded, and motion passed unanimously. Then Carol Gibbs made a motion that SLNA support having the property rezoned to P zoning, Bryan King seconded, and that also passed unanimously.

Next Ms. Maclaine solicited entries for the Austin Energy's 2010 Tree of the Year award. Hilary Dyer suggested a tree on the Sayther property on Clawson Road.

Finally, the meeting adjourned.