

***South Park Neighborhood Association***  
***Minutes - May 5, 2008***

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Maggie Gerring at 6:35 p.m. Introductions were made and the dues basket passed. A Neighbors Interest Survey was handed out for residents to complete.

Officer LaPedus from TPD reported that statistics for the month were good with a couple robberies, 1 car jacking, 2 burglaries, a couple petty larcenies, 3 car thefts, minor assault, 3 drug crimes and some runaways. Residents complained about vehicles parking on the wrong side of the street in Casas de Kino and were told to contact Parkwise at 791-5071. CSO Blair said TPD is getting tough on junk vehicles and issuing citations. Residents reported suspicious activities near Holladay School, abandoned vehicles, and someone living in a camper. Conditions at QD Library have improved due to TPD presence.

Corky Poster reported on the BRAC progress for Allen Hall on Silverlake Road. He reviewed the process thus far and presented the current proposals for civilian use of the building: 1) A health, family and financial service center run by Tucson Planning Council for the Homeless combined with health services training by PCC; 2) Tucson Parks and Recreation offices and maintenance facilities combined with a recycling center operated by COPE/RISE; and 3) Tucson Emergency Management and Homeland Security offices combined with Emergency Services training by PCC. Residents were overwhelmingly in favor of the Emergency Management proposal and voted to send a letter to Ward 5 Councilman Steve Leal stating so.

The minutes of the SPNA meeting held April 7, 2008 were approved as read.

Residents were reminded that the City's Brush and Bulky Trash Collection for items like tires, appliances, furniture and trees/brush will be held the week of June 9. Trash for pickup is to be placed on curbs (where garbage is collected), not in alleys.

Maggie reported that the promised flood control work scheduled for the Bridges property has been delayed and final contracts will be presented to the Pima Board of Supervisors for approval on May 20 or June 3. The large pipe to divert storm water south under I-10 is ready for installation, but they won't be able to complete construction until after monsoon season. This could mean a fourth year of flooding for 40-45 homes and businesses in South Park. Residents were urged to contact Supervisor Valadez at 740-8126.

Attention was called to numerous announcements printed on the agenda. Door prizes were awarded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.