HISTORIC WOOD STREETS ASSOCIATION



Business Meeting June 4, 2011

RCC Alumni House, 3564 City College Dr, Riverside CA 92506

Attendance: Chris and Cindy Jensen, Michelle Logan, Judy Mahoney, Tony Arrigo, Ursula Vogelsang, Lynne Seymour, Marilyn Mooney, Bev Grafflin, Glenn and Gloria Furukawa, Anita Silvestri, Andy Bryant, Pauline Rowland, Ben and Mary Hansen, Rosemary and Larry Utesch, Michael Connor and our guests Denise Perry & Mike Gardner

Greeting:

- 1. **Call to Order**. Cindy welcomed everyone and our guests. She introduced Denis Perry and Mike Gardner.
- 2. Denise Perry, Executive Director of Mary S. Roberts Pet Adoption Center and Alice, a border collie mixed female who recently had a litter.
 - a. The Center was founded by Mary S. Roberts, and her children still fund and support the Center.
 - b. The Pet Adoption Center only takes in dogs and cats that are found by them or are turned into them (they retain the right to refuse any animal turned into them). It is a "no Kill" center meaning that they keep a pet until it is adopted.
 - c. Their location is 6165 Industrial Way, near Jurupa Ave and Industrial Way, where the Humane Society once was.
 - d. Their web site is www.petsadoption.org where there are many photos of available pets.
 - e. They have a Thrift Store in the Ralph's Shopping Center at Jurupa and Magnolia to help fund the center. They accept donations and they also have various fund raising events throughout the year.
 - f. They are careful to match the pets to the new owners.
 - g. Before adoption all pets are spayed, neutered and "chipped" (a computer chip is implanted under the animal's skin.)
- 3. City Councilman Mike Gardner gave us some updates on city information.
 - a. The election closes Tuesday, June 7. It is a mail-in ballot and if you haven't mailed yours in yet he suggested taking it to City Hall on the 7th floor before Tuesday evening at 8:00 when the polls officially close. Don't mail it on Tuesday because it will not be counted if received too late.
 - b. The ballots are counted as they come in but there are no results announced until Tuesday night.
 - c. The construction on the hotel being built at 5th and Market is ahead of schedule and may be opened by January 1, 2012.
 - d. The convention center expansion and remodel will sent out for bids and construction may begin as early as March 2012.
 - e. The new roof and seismic re-fitting of the Municipal Auditorium on Mission Inn Ave. and the Museum at Orange St. should be completed by 12/31/2011.
 - f. The old press-bindery building on Market St. next to the Fox Theater has had many errors made in its process of being remodeled. Its façade has been kept but the building has to be built new (to look old) due to errors in the process. Cost is similar to the refitting they were going to do.
 - g. There are 3 buildings on Market St. near the southwest corner at University Ave. One of them will be taken down and replaced with a new 3 story building for RCC.
 - h. The other two will be remodeled.
 - i. The Parks and Recreation Department offices have been moved from the White Park facility
 - j. The old Marcy Library on Central will be occupied by new tenants and it is hopeful that they will keep the building as it is because it is a city landmark.
 - k. The new Marcy library is located on Palm Ave. near the corner of Magnolia Ave. It is a larger and more modern facility.
 - 1. The little red house near the railroad tracks and Riverside Ave. will be destroyed when the grade separation is done at that location. It is not built well enough to be moved.
 - m. The two Victorian homes on Olivewood and Prospect will be moved to the corner of Third Street and Fairmount sometime in the near future.

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- n. The plans for the Tequesquite Park have been approved and will go out to bid and construction should start in July 2012.
- o. The quiet zone of the railroad tracks will extend from 3rd St. to Adams once the many crossings have been redesigned to prevent any traffic or pedestrians to cross from either side. The completion date is unknown and may be in jeopardy due to funding complications.
- p. A question was asked about relocating the sex shop on Market near 10th St. It was explained that under current restrictions that shop could not be opened there today but that it is there due to a "grandfathering" for the older codes that existed when it started business there. Today's codes require that this type of business has to be located in an industrial zone.
- 4. Treasurer Report Ursula Vogelsang

Balance as of February 1 = \$586.04Expenditures = \$56.00Income from dues and interest = \$27.82Current balance = \$557.86

- 5. Green Team report –Pat Silvestri and Justin Scott-Coe were presenting at the Neighborhood Conference at California Baptist University.
- 6. Cindy led a discussion about change of our meetings, day of week and time.
 - a. DANA meets on Mondays Once a month
 - b. NOW meets on the first Thursday every month.
 - c. MANA meets on the 2nd Wednesday each month.
 - d. GRAND meets quarterly on the first Thursday.
 - e. Some discussion was in favor of moving ours to Mondays.
 - f. A suggestion of keeping it on Saturdays but starting at 9:00 to finish earlier and be able to have a larger portion of the day left.
- 7. Cindy's update about Block Captains:
 - a. Captain for Ramona/City College Drive west to Magnolia (appx. 18 homes)
 - b. Captain for Ramona Dr. from Olivewood to cul-de-sac- **Cindy and Chris Jensen** (appx. 15 homes)
 - c. Captain for Larchwood Pl. from Ramona to Riverside, including one house on Riverside Ave. (appx. 21 homes)
 - d. Captain for Larchwood Pl. from Riverside to Magnolia (appx. 24 homes)- Michelle Logan
 - e. Captain for Castle Reagh Pl. from Ramona to Riverside (appx. 24 homes) Suzanne Singer
 - f. Captain for Castle Reagh Pl. from Riverside to Magnolia (appx. 25 homes)
 - g. Captain for Beechwood Pl. from Ramona to Riverside (appx. 24 homes)
 - h. Captain for Beechwood Pl. from Riverside to Magnolia (appx. 26 homes)
 - i. Captain for Elmwood Ct. from Olivewood to Riverside (appx. 33 homes)
 - j. Captain for Elmwood Ct. and Elmwood Dr. from Riverside to Magnolia (appx. 35 homes) Glenn Furukawa
 - k. Captain for Elmwood Dr. from the cul-de-sac to Riverside (appx. 31 homes) **Sue Pickens**.
 - 1. Captain for Magnolia Ave. from Ramona / City College Dr. to Elmwood Ct. (appx. 18 homes plus the apartments) **Rick and Sharon Schutte**
- 8. Future events-

National Night Out (NNO) ice cream social and our annual barbecue will be held in the Mahoneys' front yard (3465 Ramona Dr.) on August 2, 2011 beginning at 5:30 p.m. and closing at 8:00 p.m.

9. Adjourn – 12:01 p.m.