



SCNA Phase II Planning Meeting at General Membership March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005

1. Meeting called to order at 7:15pm and Mr. Johnson introduction of Phase II planning effort
  2. What are housing issues before you? What do you need to be doing with the housing?
    - a) Potentially a safety program due to the seniors on limited fix incomes
    - b) Current revolving loan has been successful, low interest
    - c) Aging neighborhood leaving, a lot of new owners have enough funding to get in but not for upkeep
    - d) Keep exteriors up to avoid blight, Affordability, good credit risk
    - e) Very few loans default with the neighborhood home improvement program
    - f) More diversity housing reason for the Humboldt Greenway, city needs more workforce housing
    - g) Townhome row homes and Greenway homes far from first estimate of \$150,000,
    - h) Residents should include all ideas to help set policy telling the city what's important to residents.
    - i) If not included in plan then have to write a whole new strategies later if it's not written into the plan
  3. What keeps neighborhoods safe?
    - a) A strong neighborhood, People who care about their neighborhood, Cops in the neighborhood in a friendly way instead of only for problems, Good block clubs, Neighborhood Association, Communications
  4. Youth Involvement programming:
    - a) A lot more at Creekview currently going on
    - b) Summer Programs help keep kids off the street or Brookdale growing programs means more uniforms
    - c) Ponds are quite attractive, fishing going on DNR had kiddie pond stocking program
    - d) Partners: Supporting the park is a good idea. Those that get involved in sports will be off the news.
    - e) Volunteers working with the Park Board to help with the current programming organizing volunteers
    - f) Intergenerational opportunities: Youth Chore Corp. at Victory, Youth never go into the house. The neighborhood is funding a small program. Mentoring program.
    - g) How can we find partners? Back of T-shirts advertising. Civic organizations? Lions, Chamber of Commerce? General Mills. Grant opportunities, Corporation contributions, Fundraisers: Cookbooks
  5. Schools
    - a) If SC Elementary closes what would you want there? High Density, low-income housing? Currently two working parents at \$8.50 can't afford a home in the neighborhood. Some have already shown an interest in the site for development.
    - b) SC Elementary served the community and school system very well. Some day in the cycle of population they may need it again.
    - c) Alternative uses should be explored such as storage, day care, not loosing public assets in the public realm. Public places guarantee us our constitutional rights to assemble and free speech.
    - d) Residents support community based schools; idea of protecting public assets & maintain the public realm
  6. Environmental assets
    - a) Don't allow more heavy industrial
    - b) Increase education for ponds & creek, buckthorn eradications pay park board to supervise volunteers
    - c) Control the geese, ponds incorporate plan for tall grass around the ponds
    - d) Moving toward lighter industrial
    - e) Buckthorn eradications pay the park board to supervise the volunteers
    - f) Cleaning up the creek is important perhaps twice a year instead once
    - g) Destinations where people can go where you don't have to drive create kind of enriching community life
    - h) Partner with County on HHW day,
  7. Partnering with other neighborhoods to create synergy
    - a) Creek cleaning
    - b) CAN! To help with relationship building Webber and Lind Bohanon good potential partners
    - c) Community lore needs to be created about the Creek
    - d) Celebrate where you come from and create your own lore and legends
    - e) Keep Humboldt Greenway asset
    - f) Keep demanding the City pay attention to the Northside
    - g) We're our own worst enemy by not having people participating.
    - h) Keep supporting the Camden Newspaper is a good resource 70% of surveys say they read either the SCNA newsletter or CCN for neighborhood news.
    - i) Elm tree emergency 30 million dollar bonding bill to help fund proposed by Senator Higgins
    - j) SCNA sent a letter to request better methods of removal of the elm trees
  8. Next Meeting: Goals, Objectives, Strategies, Start building clusters around themes.
  9. Timeline: Next meeting set for March 29<sup>th</sup> 7pm
  10. Motion to adjourn by 8:15pm
- Submitted by Amy Luesebrink \_\_\_\_\_ SCNA Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date