

July 2017 minutes of the Walden Board

7:05 Meeting commenced at the home of President Jeffrey Peckham. Also present were VP Leo Dominguez, Secretary Larry McEwen, Treasurer Jon Wilson and guest Marylee Martinez

Draft minutes for the June meeting were approved with the correction of the balance in petty cash of \$180.80. Also, comments on the Habitat for Humanity (HFH) meeting should include our request that the project should employ the eastern-most access to the project rather than the planned western-most access, as Las Juntas traffic and parking impact the western access. Also, Walden requested that HFH preserve as many trees as possible along the southern border of the development to block the development from its neighbors to the South.

Jon Wilson assumed the duties of Treasurer and accepted the proceeds from the Annual Meeting. The new balance for our account is \$_____.

Larry agreed to consolidate Jon's updated list of members and produce a new email group mailing list.

MAC. New BART Director Debra Allen indicated that she was not interested in more residences around the Transit Village but, rather, preferred to see more businesses and parking. Marylee will check with Debra regarding other comments she made at the June MAC meeting. The MAC has approved a new beer and wine vendor truck on Friday nights in the square across from BART.

Board meeting dates have been moved to 7:30 on the second Thursday of the month to accommodate members' work schedules. The next meeting will be held on August 17 at Larry McEwen's home.

Avalon Bay's plan to renovate the area around its swim club. Jeffrey wrote a letter to Avalon Bay indicating that Walden was satisfied with the efforts made by Avalon Bay to preserve as many trees as possible and replace those that will be destroyed.

Transit Village. Avalon plans to break ground on the construction of Block C in November. The County and BART are submitting an RFP by the end of the year for the construction of a 12 story office building on Block D. The MAC has asked Debra Allen to return to provide details on the RFP at a later date. A new restaurant on the West end of Block A has received approvals to construct a deck overlooking the Oak Trees to the West of Block A. The replanting of Walden I has commenced with approximately \$25,000 from the County. It was noted that approximately one million dollars will become available from the development of Block C for landscaping and improvements in the vicinity of the Transit Village.

HFH. Larry will draft a letter to HFH conveying our comments on their presentation at our Annual Meeting noting their efforts to accommodate the community's concerns with the project. These primarily involved the increased density of the project in excess of existing zoning, setbacks along the borders and the number of trees that will be destroyed. Both Walnut Creek and the County will be cc'd in this letter.

Cherry Lane Traffic. Jeffrey and Marylee would work on a letter to both the County and City regarding the merits of eliminating South bound traffic from Las Juntas onto Cherry Lane and the possibility of placing traffic calming measures on Cherry Lane similar to those on Santos. Marylee will summarize the possibilities for resolving the traffic issues on Cherry Lane South of Treat. Marylee will be meeting with Rafat Raie at the City prior to Walden arranging a meeting with Mitchoff to discuss all the possibilities.

New Business: Leo (?) will check with the County regarding permitting in the vicinity of Briarwood to accommodate monthly street cleaning. Marylee will supply Leo with a point of contact at the County. Leo will also be discussing the possibility of instituting parking restrictions in the vicinity of Cherry Lane, Briarwood and Alderwood.

At our Annual Meeting, both Lisa Santos and Ali Salehian (SP?) expressed an interest in getting more involved with Walden. Leo will follow up with both of them regarding the extent of their specific interests and skills that might be useful.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15.