

ALLIED NEIGHBORHOODS ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES

Monday January 18, 2016  
Rution home, 607 Sola Street

Attending: Joe Rution (Bungalow Haven), Cathie McCammon (La Mesa). Judy Orias (Hidden Valley), Tony Fischer (Upper East), Sally Sphar (Upper East guest), Anna Marie Gott (Bungalow Haven guest), Jean Holmes (Grove Lane)

CALL TO ORDER -- at 7:05

QUORUM -- Yes

MINUTES -November minutes accepted

TREASURER'S REPORT -- balance is \$1969.05

**Membership dues for 2016 (\$25) are now due.**

CHAIR COMMENTS none

Councilman Gregg Hart has offered to talk to Allied about the HOV lane to be added to the freeway. General agreement that we should accept the offer and add topics of particular interest to Allied. Later, Orias gave Rution a list of suggested questions to be asked of Hartr; others were encouraged to contact Rution with their suggestions as well.

NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES

Upper East Fischer reported that his neighborhood's problem with RVs taking semi-permanent residence on Upper East streets continues. The association maintains a spreadsheet recording where they park and for how long. The ordinance committee is working on a new ordinance that will not fail the constitutionality test as an earlier one did.

La Mesa McCammon reported that the proposal to convert an apartment complex near City College into a student dormitory has aroused great opposition in the neighborhood. There are a few people who think it could be acceptable if permitted with certain conditions. City processing has not started yet.

Hidden Valley Orias commented that there is a problem of some kind with Modoc Road; it is repeatedly sinking at a place where it passes over a culvert. Modoc Road is an emergency evacuation route so loss of use would be a serious matter.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Short Term Rentals Gott inquired at the city about the short term rentals she had reported in October and learned that practically nothing had been done. She pointed out that 23% of the residential units in the city are in R-4 zones and thus potential conversions into short term rentals, which would take them out of the workforce housing supply. Rution said he would tell Gregg Hart we would like to discuss this with him in February, statistics included.

Sphar commented that it is very important to have a specific allocation in the upcoming city budget for action on vacation rentals. Work on the budget starts soon.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Guide Book Orias showed a sample from the guide to El Pueblo Viejo that the Santa Barbara Conservancy is planning to publish. Donations are needed to achieve this. **MSP Allied will donate \$200 to the Santa Barbara Conservancy for the publication of a new guide to El Pueblo Viejo.**

Adjournment - at 8:40

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Holmes, Secretary