

**District VI Advisory Board  
Minutes**

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**Wednesday  
December 20, 2006  
6:00 p.m.**

**Evergreen Recreation Center  
2700 N. Woodland  
Lounge Clubroom**

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The District VI Advisory Board meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Recreation Center Lounge Clubroom 2700 N. Woodland. District VI councilwoman led the meeting with Eight (8) District Advisory Board members in attendance. Three (3) city staff were present and nineteen (19) members of the public.

**Members Present**

C. Bickley Foster  
Bob Wine  
Linda Matney  
Bob Schreck  
Marsha Carr  
Carol Skaff  
Charlie Claycomb  
Sandra Whittington

**Members Absent**

Jaya Escobar  
John VanWalleghen

**Staff Present**

Terri Dozal, Neighborhood Assistant  
Bill Longnecker, Planner  
Sgt. Hungria, Patrol North

**Guests**

Listed at end

**Council member Fearey** called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. welcoming everyone and asked DAB Members to introduce themselves and state their representation on the board.

**Approval of Minutes**

There were no minutes for approval

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved with an amendment to add an update on the Celebrate *Safely* project. (Skaff/Wine 8-0)

**Public Agenda**

1. **Scheduled items:** No items were scheduled
2. **Off-agenda items:** *Sgt. Hungria, Patrol North* discussed the *Celebrate Safely* project which was established to regulate celebratory gunfire during New Year's Eve celebrations. The program was started around 1990 with members from Historic Midtown and Interfaith Ministries. In past years there have been around 20 incidents where people shoot their guns into the air and not thinking about where the bullet goes once it is shot. We have been trying to educate the public in order to reduce injuries. In some cities people have been killed due to shooting in the air. Cultural differences play a role in the Celebrate Safely project as other countries celebrate by shooting their guns into the air. On Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at noon at Patrol North we will be hosting a gathering with pizza before handing out flyers about *Celebrate Safely* in areas where gunfire has been noted. Last year 2400 flyers were handed out with volunteers helping the officers. Riverside Citizens and Historic Midtown along with youth from

the Liberty Juvenile Justice will help in passing out flyers this year. If anyone is interested in helping us please contact me, Sgt. Hungria at Patrol North. This project has been mainly done in the Patrol North area but this year we are taking it Citywide.

**Carr** mentioned the DAB should see the statistics on the numbers of calls during the New Year celebrations and if there has been a decrease in this activity.

### **New Business**

#### **3. ZON2006-00054 Zone change from “SF-5” to “MF-29”, unplatted tract, generally located 1/8-mile east of Arkansas Avenue on the north side of 27<sup>th</sup> Street N. 2802 N. Waco (vacant)**

The District VI Advisory Board considered a Zone change from “SF-5” to “MF-29”, unplatted tract, generally located 1/8-mile east of Arkansas Avenue on the north side of 27<sup>th</sup> Street N. 2802 N. Waco (vacant).

**Bill Longnecker, Planning Department**, presented on the request to permit a “MF-29” Multifamily residential zoning on a “SF-5” Single-family residential zoned 3.5 acre unplatted and undeveloped site that sits up against a drainage canal on undeveloped area to allow apartments/duplexes to be built. There are no plans for a bridge to be built over the canal. The subject property is vacant and was annexed into the City between 1961-1970. Denial of this request is due to the location has no access onto an arterial or collector street and the development pattern of the area (single family residential).

**There were no area residents to speak in favor or in opposition of the request.**

**John Tasset, Project Coordinator**, stated the area is 165,000 sq ft. of property. If the property is rezoned we could put in 19 lots to allow for 38 duplex units. This would be done without any cost to the City. **Tasset** included just because the area is zoned incorrectly is not a reason to deny the case. The duplexes will be ground floor with a one-car garage included. I don't anticipate any problems with traffic coming/going around the area.

**Board Members** questions/concerns included: 1) Is there a reason to override the conformance of the area; 2) has there been any research on the traffic patterns, 3) will the duplexes be single-story; 4) what is the flood plan level since this is located next to a drainage ditch; 5) what about fire department vehicles, will they have space for turnaround; 6) how many bedrooms will these be; 7) one garage for each duplex would increase cars parked on the street causing a major problem and 8) the current zoning would allow for development but not at this density.

**\*\*\*\*\* Action:** The District VI Advisory Board made a motion to recommend to Deny (**Wine/Schreck 8-0**) the request based on staff recommendations.

### **Board Agenda**

#### **4. Problem Properties**

There were no addresses presented.

#### **5. Neighborhood Reports**

**WIN Meeting** with elections: scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Midtown Resource Center, 1150 N. Broadway.

**Indian Hills:** Monthly meetings will change to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of month starting in January.

**La Placita Park:** Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of month. We invite **Council member Fearey** to our February meeting at Felipe's Restaurant along West Central. We just had one of our resident's turn 100 years old.

**Member Foster** requested if DAB could hear an update on the 21st St. International Mercado Plan. **Fearey** said she would talk to John Schlegel, Planning Director to see if we could hear at our February meeting.

\*\*\*\*\* **Action:** Receive and file.

### **Updates from Council Member Fearey**

- January DAB is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. Please arrive at 5:30 for a pre-workshop on the Arena Neighborhood Plan. There will be a power-point presentation. You can find it on our website at [www.wichita.gov](http://www.wichita.gov).
- We will have only one meeting in January.
- Kellogg and I-235 along Central meeting: it was decided the sidewalk would be moved on Central under the by-pass.
- Zoning case we heard a while back on the nightclub in the neighborhood, Bickley's description of what should be allowed were added in. The applicant agreed to this but MAPC did not read our DAB report. Fearey stated all the council members listen to their DAB input. DAB VI is the only DAB that hears zoning cases before the MAPC. The other DAB's may hear the case but after it has already gone to the MAPC.

**Member Schreck** stated he was thinking of going to the State about asking them to increase the range (greater than 200 ft.) for residents/businesses to be notified about zoning cases. The County's notification range is at 1000ft. Should this be more than 1000 ft or between 200-1000ft? This is to make sure anyone along the peripheral of the applicants land is notified of upcoming cases.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

### **Guests**

Greg Boyajian	3325 W 9 <sup>th</sup>	La Placita
John Tasset	PRN Codin	
Jorge Villalobos	2158 N. Shelton	
Tom Carr	820 Shadyway	67203

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal, Neighborhood Assistant