

**Catalina Vista Neighborhood Association**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**Monday, May 23, 2016**

**In Attendance:** Alison Hughes, Alison Jones, Ellen Adelstein, Jan Hastreiter, Betty Jo Drachman, Dan Schnoll, Sarah Wisdom, Anne Barrett, Debra Huffman, Anne Barrett, John Fendrock, Ally Miller, Dory Martin. Board members not able to attend were Gerald Geise, Dory Martin, and Dave Sunderman. Guest present were: Steve Kozachik and Alison Miller (Ward VI), Leezie Kim and Bryan Lapham (Fox Restaurants), Keri Silvyn and Tim Kinney (Lazarus, Silvyn and Banks), Janet Fischer (CVNA resident), Hannah Gray (Samos resident), Alice Roe (BNA president), Miriam Pattison (Blenman Elm resident), Carla McPherson (Grant-Campbell Neighborhood), Paula Aboud (Rincon Heights neighborhood). Guests from different neighborhoods attended specifically to hear the presentation about The Yard restaurant proposed for construction at Grant/Tucson Blvd.)

**1) Call to Order**

President Alison Hughes called the meeting to order shortly after 7 pm. Roll call was followed by guest introductions.

**2) The Yard Restaurant**

Kari Silvyn spoke about on behalf of Fox Restaurant Concepts that will be opening “The Yard-Tucson” restaurant complex at the site of the now-closed Grant Road Lumber. Fox has made a commitment to opening at this location before Grant Road is widened, which is a risk. The site is zoned C-2. The main access will be on Grant Road—there will be no access from Spring St. The alley will be realigned. There will be 173 customer parking spots and additional handicap and plug-in spots. Additional parking will be purchased or contracted for employee parking.

The restaurant will have a gaming area indoors. City asked for a noise analysis which is part of the zoning approval. The analysis showed no adverse impacts. There will be no outdoor music.

The Development Package has been approved. The liquor license hearing is June 21. They are seeking a restaurant license, not a bar licenses.

Fox will close on the property in September. Anticipated opening date is August 2016.

Leezie Kim showed an artist’s drawing of the building, which will be an homage to the past industrial/commercial use. It will be all new construction. Size is 19,000 square feet.

Hours will be: 11 am opening on M-F, 10 am opening on Sat and Sun. Closing will be by 11 pm on Sun-Thurs and by 1 am on Friday and Sat.

It is anticipated there will be 150 employees, not all of whom will be there at the same time.

### **3) Approval of Minutes of April Board Meeting**

It was noted that several attendees were left off the minutes. Alison Hughes will correct the minutes.

### **4) Treasurer's report**

Jan Hastreiter reported that the neighborhood social cost \$427.57. We have \$7,944.29 in our checking account.

### **5) Action Items**

- a. Ramada— We have reached our fundraising goal for the ramada! An artist's rendering will be complete soon. Committee will meet in early June (June 3 is the tentative date). People are still buying bricks. Preliminary plans have been approved by the City. Excess donations will go to interpretive signage for the ramada or in our park.
- b. Neighborhood Watch—Dan Schnoll reported that a successful kickoff meeting was held. At least 40-50 people have signed up already. The next step is to divide the neighborhood up into watch sections.

There have been several break-ins in the neighborhood recently. Some of the houses were on sale and unoccupied. Appliances were stolen. A guest said that they have had success using Next Door social networking for neighborhood communications.

- c. Fencing of Easement—a new homeowner has been trying to fence off an easement. He contacted the utilities and will fence it off. It is the alley south of Hampton between Hampton and Seneca between Wilson and Kramer.

### **6) Committee Reports**

- a. The Annual social was a great event.
- b. Helicopter—Debra Huffman

The helicopter committee sent a letter to Banner in response to Steve Brigham's letter at his request. Banner responded. Their response did not really propose any changes to their current operations. Furthermore, Debra's log regarding flights east of Campbell are not really being added into the totals reported by Banner...they are just footnotes.

Debra suggested that Alison Jones attend the CCRC meetings as the helicopter rep. They meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is in August. Alison Jones agreed to attend these meetings.

The helicopter committee would like to meet with Blenman Elm to express our concern regarding the overflights. It is important that they understand the risks, which can be avoided if the helicopters abide by the MOU.

- c. CCRC – Bill Young: During the last meeting there was talk of a strategic plan that has not been completed yet. Alison Hughes sent out notes from the last meeting. She has asked Banner

representatives for information on how the hospital is being financed to share in the CVNA summer newsletter.

- d. Islands—Jan Hastreiter: Tree wells on Waverly were dug out. The work cost \$850 which was below the approved allotment. Jan would like to put decomposed granite at the neighborhood entrances to spruce up the areas. Primavera said it would cost \$1200. Jan moved that we go ahead with that plan, allotting \$1400 for the cost. Dan Schnoll seconded. Motion passed.
- e. Central Segments Coalition: Alison Hughes has been attending the meetings. She stressed that is important that we organize NOW in order to get a wall along Grant Road. It will be considered an art project. Alison H wants to start a Phase V Catalina Vista Committee. We should open the committee to the entire neighborhood. She also wants to get a member of RTA to present to us in the fall.
- f. By Laws—Ellen Adelstein reports that the committee will meet soon.

**7) Other Business/Updates:**

- Campbell/Elm property: City has agreed to make an opening in the wall.
- Casa Seton Update: Alison Hughes says there is nothing new to report.
- Website: Alison Hughes has been working to keep the neighborhood website up to date.
- Annie Barrett said she will be hosting a movie night. The first one will be on June 4. She will ask for a donation. Proceeds will go to CVNA. Details are being finalized.
- Banner still has no plans for the movie theater. Barry Baker has approached Banner about buying it.
- Garden Tour: Debra Huffman said that these events take a long time to organize. It is a reasonable idea, but we should start organizing well in advance.
- Alison Hughes reported that the child care center project discussed last month is not going forward. The prospective owner is unable to buy the property.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Alison Jones

CVNA Secretary