

**West Austin Neighborhood Group**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

These are the minutes of the meeting of the West Austin Neighborhood Group Board of Directors held Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:35 p.m., at The Lions Municipal Golf Course Clubhouse.

**I. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by President Holly Reed. Board members in attendance included: Mike Cannatti, Joe Bennett, Haidar Khazan, Blake Tollett, Cathy Kyle, August Harris, Mary Arnold, Joyce Basciano, Brady Pedneau, George Edwards and Craig Lill.

**II. Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes for March 2019 were approved unanimously. Amended minutes for February 2019 were approved unanimously.

**III. Land Matters:**

A. 3004 Bonnie Road

The owners requested a variance to accommodate a fence measuring 6'9"-7'7" high. The owners believe that their corner lot location is a hardship. The owners have talked to their neighbors, who do not oppose the excess height (the LDC limits fence height to 6').

Motion to oppose request made by Tollett; seconded by Arnold. The motion passed 6:3, with two abstaining.

B. 1400 Winstead

Historic Land Commission (HLC) hearing 4/22/2019. Shailene Smith presented the owners' plans for the development of the lot. No variance request has been made at this time.

Currently, they plan to divide the lot into two half-acre lots. It was also noted that two neighbors are opposed to the demolition of the historic home and construction of two large houses accessed by a flag lot, requiring that most of the trees on the lot be cut down. The Board is concerned about protecting trees on the lot and a flag-lot variance. Ms. Smith is receptive to these concerns. The owner also agreed to add sidewalks, and Harris noted that, most likely, the site is included in the City's sidewalk master plan.

C. Maudie's/Twin Liquors

Discussion of conditional overlay (CO) and support of Residential Parking District (RPD). The owner prefers not to have a CO to keep the development cleaner. The Board noted that the requested CS-1 zoning is very broad, although the site is already zoned CS. Arnold pointed out that UT agreed to list uses that they would not put on the Brack Tract, which would be something for them to consider and would apply to the grocery store next door. The neighbors' major concerns: noise and parking.

**IV. Transportation:**

- A. Cap Metro "Metro Link" is a new pilot program to serve Tarrytown using a 28' bus to replace similar service that was discontinued last October. Riders will be able to use an app to request a ride, providing an on-demand service. Fare will be \$1.25. All trips will be within the "geofence" service area and connect with other routes. CapMetro plans seven service areas. MetroLink has been piloted for 1 year in Mueller, north of Mueller, and connecting with rail

center. Route 18 carries 1800 passengers/day, and Route 335 carries 700 (not sure of the numbers). Basciano questioned costs involved.

- 1) Goal: 3.5 riders/hr at a minimum. CapMetro realizes that it will not achieve this goal immediately.
  - 2) Will have another meeting to get more input from neighbors. Can also give feedback at [feedback@capmetro.org](mailto:feedback@capmetro.org). CapMetro will begin to have meetings for input in late April/May 2019.
  - 3) In addition to the app, riders can also use a reservation service by phone.
- B. Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP) Final Draft: going to City on 4/11 for final vote. The proposed road through Muny has been removed, although a council member could bring an amendment even though the road is not in the member's District.

**V. Newsletter:**

May 1 deadline for content. FINAL for print.  
Content: Pecan tree Safeway (Arnold)  
Austin Strategic Mobility Plan  
Cronk Memo re revision of land development code  
STR bill before Legislature.  
Muny update.

**VI. Treasurer Report**

Checking	\$ 7,854.97
July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade	\$ 381.41
Oak Wilt	\$ 1,209.50

**VII. ANC Liaison Report:**

- A. Routes 335 and 18 are priority as transit network in the AMSP.
- B. The Cronk memo for revisions to the Land Development Code includes three proposals (1) existing Land Development Code with some changes; (2) CodeNEXT Draft 3 (rejected by Council last Austin following significant citizen opposition); and (3) CodeNEXT Draft with greater density. ANC is sending out a memo asking for input.

**VIII. New Business:**

- A. Reed is scheduling a meeting with Alison Alter & staff in the next 2 weeks to discuss news about Muny.
- B. HEB is very interested in working with neighbors to discuss the new site on Lake Austin Boulevard. Harris met with them today.
- C. Forever Green Tournament is 4/20.
- D. Exposition tear out for replacement of the water line will be starting soon.  
<http://austintexas.gov/expositionblvd>
- E. Cannatti noted that the next Neighborhood Contact Team meeting is scheduled for 4/16.
- F. Next meeting 5/7 @ 6:30 pm Lions Municipal Golf Course Clubhouse.

**IX. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by President Reed at 8:00 PM.**