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## Minutes of the March 7, 2006 monthly meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1-D

*These minutes approved at the April 4, 2006 meeting.*

### Call to order

Chair Jack McKay called the meeting to order at approximately 7:20 pm, noting the presence of just three of the six ANC 1D Commissioners -- Gregg, Mitchell, and himself -- observed that the meeting lacked a quorum, but would begin with informal business that did not require a quorum.

### Public discussion

**Mary Hathaway** expressed her tart opinion of the city's mistreatment of Bestway and the Argyle. **Barbara Hayden** called for communications among the various groups in Mount Pleasant to deal with the problems of gentrification. **Donnie Gonzales**, of Keefer Place in Pleasant Plains, asked about gentrification issues in Mount Pleasant. **Melissa Jones**, another visitor from the Pleasant Plains neighborhood, expressed interest in these problems. **Dora Johnson** said that she moved here in 1968, and "was treated with the utmost respect" by residents at that time, when Mount Pleasant was thought a dangerous, undesirable neighborhood, and she called on all to show respect to others in this neighborhood today.

Wayne arrived during the public discussion, bringing about a quorum.

### Approval of minutes

Gregg moved approval of the meeting minutes for the February 7 and February 23 meetings. *Motion passed unanimously.*

### Treasurer's report

Rich was absent, so there was no report from the Treasurer.

### Standing committee report: Commercial Corridor

Gregg reported on the March 6 meeting of the Commercial Corridor Committee. He said that Teresa Choi, of the Bestway, would be willing to pay for a Korean interpreter for meetings. Merrit Drucker had

spoken at the Committee meeting on the problems of rats and sanitation. Gregg criticized Merrit's approach to the problem, which was based largely on the threat of fines for violators.

### **New Business: Purchase of projector and laptop accessories**

Gregg moved that the Commission authorize the expenditure of up to \$550 for the purchase of a software upgrade to load Microsoft Office onto the laptop, USB memory sticks for each Commissioner, and a USB-port external floppy drive. *Motion passed by unanimous vote.*

### **New Business: Stipulated liquor license for the Pupuseria San Miguel**

Gregg introduced this resolution: "ANC1D does not object to the issuance of a stipulated license to the Pupuseria San Miguel pending completion of the 45-day protest period." *Motion passed by three to one vote, Mitchell voting "no".*

### **New Business: Street sweeping in Mount Pleasant**

Gregg introduced this resolution, reading, after friendly amendment:

ANC1D resolves to advise the Mayor, and the District Department of Public Works to set up a program for a clearly scheduled street sweeping in Mount Pleasant.

We advise that:

- \* Mount Pleasant Street and Sixteenth Street between Harvard St and Park Rd be swept once a week.
- \* Once a month, the 1600 block of Irving, Lamont and Park Rd be swept.
- \* The times be set so that they are on a regular schedule each month.
- \* That signs be affixed to specify the times, and all remaining parked vehicles will be ticketed.

#### **Why:**

Current street cleaning procedures in Mount Pleasant have proven inadequate. A systematic approach to sanitation is needed. This program can be evaluated, and to the degree it works, spread to other neighborhoods. To the degree problems arise, the arrangements can be altered.

A systematic program can be much more efficient than a block by block approach. It also can reduce the tendency for accumulations of trash and grime to be blown from one block to another.

We consider this to be one element of what can occur in an Innovation Zone.

*Resolution passed by unanimous vote.*

### **New Business: thanks to Mr. Juan Allendes**

Gregg moved that the ANC thanks Juan Allendes for his voluntary and extraordinary help in providing interpretation at the Commercial Corridor Committee meeting on March 6. *Passed unanimously.*

### **New Business: remote keyboard for laptop**

Gregg moved that we authorize the expenditure of up to \$100 for a remote keyboard for the laptop computer. *Motion approved by unanimous vote.*

## **Adjournment**

By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25 pm, after two hours and five minutes.