

**North Park Main Street  
Design Committee Minutes  
Tuesday, February 6, 2007, 5:30 p.m.  
Location: 3076 University Ave.**

**Called to order: 5:37 p.m.**

**Attendance**

Sacha Hopstock & John McGaughy (co-chairs);  
Chris Varone, Mike Petrogeorge, Richard Kurylo, & Mike Howard (members);  
Mike Davies, Bob Cissell & Louie Hami (visitors),  
George Franck (acting secretary); & Elizabeth Studebaker (Executive Director)

**1. Introductions and Approval of Minutes**

*ACTION: By consensus, the January 2, 2007 minutes were approved.*

**2. Iowa Street Development Update**

Developer Mike Davies said that his company controls both parcels, has received all entitlements and is currently waiting for the construction business cycle to improve. He asked Main Street to assist in finding an interim tenant for Rogers Construction. The Dental office is leased, but only 20% used. Committee members discussed the project design: Richard Kurylo felt the design should be improved; John Stewart McGaughy, Sasha Hopstock, Chris Varone, and George Franck liked the current project.

**3. Maintenance Assessment District (MAD) Update**

Mike Petrogeorge said that the MAD is considering a 62% increase in the fee to \$32.00 per year for most single-family homes – about eight cents a day. A mail ballot of property owners will be taken later in the year. This proposition is being coordinated with discussion and possible action changing the NPMS Business Improvement District.

**4. Conferences**

The *Interrobang* design lecture series has been shifted to the downtown Contemporary Museum of Art. It is held on the second Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 p.m., with a reception at 6:00 p.m. Thomas Oslund will speak at this month's meeting on February 13, 2007.

**5. Ray at Night**

Ray at Night will celebrate Valentine's Day this Saturday, February 10, 2007.

**6. Work Plan**

- Historic Building Inventory – Elizabeth Studebaker met with George Franck and *NPCA History Committee* Chair Steve Hon to program work on this project.
- Art in Public Places –
  - The *Art in Public Places* committee has been reactivated & is looking for members.
  - Property-owner Chris Lynds (of the Groth family) is preparing to repaint the Big Lots building. John Stewart McGaughy will work with her on the potential mural on the west-facing façade. This item should be considered by the *Art in Public Places* committee.
  - John proposed an Information Kiosk at Ray Street and University Avenue.

*ACTION: By consensus, Committee recommended that Main Street support the design and implementation of an Information Kiosk on the University Avenue sidewalk at Ray Street*

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**6. Work Plan (continued)**

- **Storefront Improvement Program**

- Renovation of the Tent Dancing building is not moving forward, pending leasing of the storefront.
- A contractor has been hired for the conversion of the North Park Delicatessen building.
- Property-owners Bob Cissell & Louie Hami discussed the redesign and refurbishing of the Ramona Theater building on University Avenue

***ACTION:*** The Ramona Theater building will be docketed for the March meeting.

**7. Selection of Committee Secretary**

Sasha Hopstock will take minutes at the March meeting.

**8. Announcements and Other Issues**

Elizabeth Studebaker is working on grant applications for the next fiscal year and would welcome suggestions for new or continuing projects.

**9. Adjourn:** 7:42 p.m.