

Barton Hills Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2019

1. Call to order – Mark Gentle
2. Brief announcements, including new Long-Range park planning sub-committee and confirmation of submission: BHNA Comments Opposing the Sawyer-Cleveland Partnership Waste-Water Permit Application.
3. Motion passed to approve the minutes from prior meeting on July 23, 2019. The motion was approved.
4. Treasurer's Report (2019 Q3): Stan Ostrum

In summary – Total cash on hand = \$30,284.59
Total (earmarked) expenses = \$1,065.00

Total cash balance = \$29,219.59

5. Neighborhood Committee Reports
 - A. GreenBelt Guardians – Stan Ostrum
Work Day on November 2nd at Homedale Trail
May potentially work next on National Trails Day, first Saturday in June, but not yet certain.

6. Panel Discussion of Rewrite of Austin's Land Development Code–

Panel will include District 5 Council Member Ann Kitchen; Fred Lewis from *Community Not Commodity*; Peter Hess is moderator; along with subject matter experts.

Ann Kitchen: land development document is 30 years old; doesn't work anymore.

Current document is a document of policy priorities. Policy Direction was adopted in May. Proposed changes and mapping is the current stage of the process.

“Most of Barton Hills is not impacted;” areas around Barton Skyway and S. Lamar are intended to offer continuing affordable housing where there are existing apartments and duplexes.

Planning commission is currently considering the proposed changes in the code.

Fred Lewis: City of Austin has grossly over-zoned, despite there is no evidence that such high capacity is needed. In the transition zones, they are destroying the norm of single-family neighborhoods.

Additional items from discussion:

- (1) Core neighborhood – zoned as R2A (SF2 single family going away)
- (2) Transition zone
 - R4 zone allows for up to 4 units; some lots may allow for 8 units

R2A

Impervious cover remains 45%

Parking has changed from 2 -1 spaces per unit

Some lots will allow for 2 units

- 7. Adjourn.