

**Minutes of HCCA general meeting
November 21, 2005**

Present: Bunny Mestel, Cynthia Eason, Mel Pollak, Pat Smith, Asa Boynton, Pete Brewer, Chuck Vollman, Sara Case

The November 21, 2005 general meeting was called to order @ 7:00 P.M. by President, Chuck Vollman.

Jitu Patel, Director of the Hollywood Department of Design and Construction Management, gave a brief presentation about the Arts Circle. Several questions were asked re: parking, drainage, traffic flow, coordinated traffic lights, funding, building height, palm tree removal, Publix shopping center, Greyhound terminal, etc.

Following the presentation, the business portion began, starting with President Vollman. welcoming members. Secretary's report of the previous meeting was read by Cynthia Eason and accepted as read. Pat Smith, treasurer, reported a balance of \$541.72. Checks had been drawn for a post office box and to reinstate the corporate papers. Report was accepted subject to audit.

Under old business, Asa Boynton reported that drug dealers are still active in his neighborhood. Two civil suits are pending against the Hollywood police department.

Under New Business, Pete Brewer talked about the article in the Sun Sentinel re: Hollywood firefighters receiving food stamps during working hours without standing in line. Mel Pollack elaborated on food stamp procedures. It was suggested that HCCA write a letter to Mayor Giuliani , City Manager Cameron Benson, and the fire chief.

Chuck asked that HCCA develop a procedure for dealing with this type of situation, i.e. a protocol that we routinely follow. Procedure would go as follows: the civic association asks HCCA to become involved, after which we go to the commissioner who represents the district. We will utilize electronic communications to query our membership about how they feel about a particular issue before we take any action. Members must be kept informed even though they are not present when a specific problem is discussed. A two person committee comprised of Sara Case and Bunny Mestel will formulate the final protocol procedure.

Chuck spoke about the Millennium Presentation, which had been attended by 4 members of HCCA. He recommended a fact finding committee be formed before any decision is made about taking a particular stand on the project. He voiced the belief that anything that happens in any part of Hollywood affects every other part of the city. Sara Case stated that we need to address "transit oriented development" now. Cynthia Eason reported that she spoke to County Commissioner Suzanne Gunzburger about the 4 projects which are currently under consideration by the city. Chuck listed several potential problems with the Millennium project, including the impact on traffic on

Traffic, schools, sewerage, police and fire protection and impact fees.

Motion was made by Mel and seconded by Bunny not to have a meeting in December. Next meeting will be on Monday, January 16, 2006 at the Lippmann Center.

Chuck announced that Mel Pollak will audit the books and that the Board will examine the questionnaires and present a report on their findings to the membership at the January meeting.

Mel reported that citywide meetings will be held, asking Hollywood residents for their input re: emergency management. Mel asked for and received a continuance of City ordinance #18 which prohibits certain trees from being planted. Hollywood Hills will make recommendations based on the findings of a private landscaper.

Cynthia will send an email to HCCA members about the CHB meeting on November 29.

Sara reported that Friends of the Great Southern have filed a court challenge of the city's decision to demolish the historic landmark.

Pat Smith told the group about Driftwood Civic Association's bazaar/craft and antique auto show on December 17 @ 300 North 69th Avenue.

Chuck asked for a vote to continue starting the meetings at 7:00 P.M, so that we can finish by 9:00 P.M. Motion was passed..

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Greene-Eason
Secretary