

MINUTES
Main Street Board
Meeting of July 28th, 2003

The Main Street Development and Preservation Board of the City of Cedar Hill, Texas met on Monday July 28th, 2003 at 6:00p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room

*Present: Chair Steve Phillips, members Sheri Borth, Norman Patten, Randall Stewart, Donna Martinez and Bill Watkins.
Ex-officio Amanda Hall*

Absent: Vice Chair Chris Parvin, Lyle Rowley

I. Call the meeting to order

Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:02pm declaring it an open meeting with notice of the meeting duly posted and a quorum present.

II. Approval of minutes from the July 7th, 2003 regular meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes from the July 7th, 2003 meeting was made by Sheri Borth and seconded by Bill Watkins. The motion was approved by all.

III. Staff Reports from Main Street Manager Valerie Gibson

Valerie distributed Code Violation Action Request Forms to the board, and will have professionally printed and bound copies soon. She also reminded the board that large binders were available for anyone who wanted one.

Chairman Phillips reviewed the latest developments in the status of the grant program. He explained that the program would continue as an existing contract until the remainder of the original \$50,000 was expended, at which point the program would cease.

Norman Patten asked if any answers had been found regarding the existence of old gas tanks in the downtown area. Chairman Phillips will contact the Mayor to find out.

Sheri Borth gave the board an update on the progress of the sale of the former Random Accents building.

Chairman Phillips announced that the zoning case for the Wedgeworth property had been posted and would be heard at the next Planning and Zoning commission meeting. He also announced that the agreement for the closure of Houston Street in return for the land next to Southwest Corner Gallery was still in the hands of the City Attorney for a rewrite.

IV. Administer Oath of Office to new Board members

This item was addressed prior to the meeting. Betsy Simnacher and Ex-officio Amanda Hall were sworn in by City Secretary Frankie Lee.

V. Presentation Regarding Bond Election

Wade Emmert, Chairman of the Vote the Vision Bond Passage Committee spoke to the Board about the merits of the Bond Election, it's structure and proposed costs. He encouraged everyone to go out and vote and promote the election to their friends and neighbors.

VI. Presentation regarding Theater development in Uptown

Developer Frank Mihalopoulos was in attendance to present the preliminary concept of the proposed Cinemark Theater in Uptown. The theater would consist of 14 screens and would include some stadium seating. The board addressed issues such as pedestrian accessibility, building articulation, parking, signage, screening, and landscaping. The official recommendation regarding the site plan will come at a later date.

VII. Discussion and possible action concerning Marketing Assistance Grant for *Consignment Corner*

A motion to approve the grant was made by Sheri Borth and seconded by Norman Patten. The motion was approved by all.

VIII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Sheri Borth and seconded by Donna Martinez. The motion was approved by all and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

ATTEST:

Minutes Approved on August 25, 2003

Valerie Gibson, Main Street Manager

Chairman Steve Phillips