November Meeting

When: 7:00 pm

Monday, November 5, 2018

Where: Griffin School

5001 Evans Avenue

Note: HPNA meetings usually take place on the first Monday of each month..

HPNA General Meeting Agenda for November 5

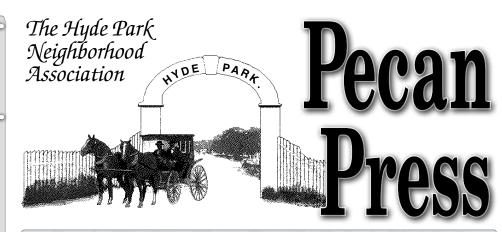
- → Welcome
- Presentation: Guadalupe Street Storm Drain Improvements Project, by Austin Watershed Protection
- Membership Vote: Letter to Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- Announcements

Shipe Park Update

Work on Shipe Park improvement projects officially began on October 8, when the City of Austin approved the Notice to Proceed for the swimming pool contractor.

Projects already done or currently under way include the following:

- Construction fencing was erected around most of the park south of Waller Creek. The reason for this is that the construction contractor needs this area for staging materials, equipment, and a temporary trailer. Park amenities still accessible include the kids' playscape, the basketball court, and the tennis courts.
- The City of Austin Arts in Public Places program carefully wrapped the Shipe Pool mural with a protective (mastic) covering. The mural will be preserved to become part of the new pool.
- PARD has provided porta potties near 44th Street and Avenue F for park users for the period of time when the bathrooms in the Log Cabin are inaccessible.
- James Nolan Construction has begun renovation of the Log Cabin, replacing the roof, replacing



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2018 Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour

n Sunday, November 11, 2018, visitors will have the opportunity to visit seven homes and two houses of

worship within Hyde Park. The tour kicks off at 11am at the Elizabet Ney Museum, where bargain hunters who bought advance tickets for \$20 per person will be able to pick up a wristband and tour booklet. Day-oftour tickets will also be



Peake-O'Connell House

available for purchase for \$25 (cash, check, or credit card). The tour wraps up at 5pm, with the last tickets sold at 4pm. The tour highlights the growth of Hyde Park from the south to the north. On the southern end of the route, tour goers will be able to explore homes built in 1905, 1927, and 1930, along with the Hyde Park Presbyterian Church, which was built in 1895. The houses include a home with a koi pond and Zen rock garden watched over by exquisite statues from China; an American Foursquare with a pyramid roof and full-width porch decorated with family furniture from the Midwest and England; and a bungalow with original southern yellow pine floors and an excavated water well, complete with a pail on a pulley, in the yard.

The Hyde Park Presbyterian Church, which displaced the Hyde Park Beer Garden in 1919, will be open for visitors after services end at 11:30. The church building has been moved twice, with an expansion added in 1926. The congregation welcomes visitors and has served the neighborhood as a beacon of generosity, hospitality, and social justice for over 100 years.

The northern end of the route showcases the later growth of Hyde Park, with homes built in 1937, 1939, 1953, and 2012. Visitors will be delighted by the different features of each house: one includes uncovered shiplap and a full-length screened back porch; another was an older home with original features that became a duplex when a matching unit with modern touches was added; and a third, the family home of the founders of Mrs. Johnson's Bakery, displays colorful, original '50s-era vintage tilework.

From the Desk of the Presidents



e'd like to thank you for entrusting us with leadership of Hyde Park Neighborhood Association for the com-**V** ing year. In our new role as co-Presidents, we will work closely with Vice President Paula Rhodes and the HPNA's strong and active Steering Committee to help foster and grow this amazing community of neighbors.

To this end, we want to give you a heads up about two upcoming presentations on topics that we believe will be of interest to a broad constituency – flood mitigation and redevelopment of the Austin State Hospital.

On Monday, November 5, members of the Watershed Protection Department will speak with us about a proposed project to improve the storm drainage system along several streets in Hyde Park and to build detention ponds in the area. As we write this letter, Central Texas is facing a precipitous rise of the Llano River and catastrophic damage along the Highland Lakes. While the proposed watershed project won't address flooding related to creeks in our area, it will begin to address parts of Hyde Park's antiquated and inadequate drainage system.

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Then, on Monday, December 3, we will hear from leaders of the Austin State Hospital Redevelopment Project about plans for the historic "Old Main" building, which was constructed in 1857, and for the surrounding 80-acre campus. Presenters will include the following: Stephen Strakowski, MD, Associate Vice President, Regional Mental Health, and Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry at Dell Medical School; and Mike Maples, Deputy Executive Commissioner of HHSC's Health and Specialty Care Systems.

If you are looking for a fun weekend activity, we hope that you will check out this year's Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour. The tour takes place on Sunday, November 11, from 11:00am to 5:00pm and highlights a variety of unique homes and places of worship. You can read about the tour in this month's newsletter and at http://www.austinhydepark.org/homes*tour*. A portion of the revenue from this year's event will be presented to the Friends of Shipe Park for improvements to the historic Log Cabin and other aspects of Hyde Park's beloved community green space, Shipe Park. Thank you to Ellie Hanlon and David Bowen for spearheading this year's event.

While we are thanking people, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who worked to make possible this year's 44th Annual Hyde Park Fire Station Festival, including Jen Berbas, Anne-Marie Griger, Judy Gurgiolo, Linda Van Bavel, Deaton Bednar, Matt Ott, Leigh Ann McGahee, and Ashley Aarons. Another round of thanks to the neighborhood businesses that continue to support this great event: Fresh Plus, Hyde Park Bar and Grill, NeWorlDeli; and thanks to our corporate sponsor, Grande Communications.



As always, please feel free to reach out to either of us with questions, comments, or concerns. We look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood!

> - Betsy Clubine & Sarah Cook HPNA Co-Presidents



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November Vote: Letter to Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Members of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association authorize the leadership of the HPNA to submit the following letter to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Victim Services and Criminal Justice Divisions on an annual basis, as needed, related to the TDCJ case #02111551.

Dear Parole Board Members,

We are writing to you regarding Pearl Moen (TDCJ #02111551). The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association is requesting that Ms. Moen serve her entire sentence and not be considered for parole because of the extremely violent nature of her crime, the harm she caused the victim, and the danger she posed to the residents of Hyde Park in Austin.

Ms. Moen brutally attacked Ms. Pritchett on November 14th, 2015 by stabbing her twenty-one times and leaving her for dead on our neighborhood sidewalk. The attack almost killed Ms. Pritchett and our neighborhood lived in fear for the months before Ms. Moen was arrested and subsequently prosecuted for this heinous crime of attempted murder. Our neighborhood is one where residents frequently walk and children ride their bicycles to nearby Shipe Park. Many of us

were afraid to walk or to allow children out of our sight. Of particular concern was the enjoyment Ms. Moen seemed to derive from her violent attack, as she documented in a journal. Throughout the time she was incarcerated she showed no remorse for her violent crime.

If Ms. Moen is paroled before the end of her 15 year sentence, we are concerned that she would return to Central Austin or another vulnerable neighborhood where she would be a threat to residents. We sincerely request that you consider the dangers that Ms. Moen might inflict in the future on any community to which she is paroled before the end of her 15 year sentence. Her premeditated, cold-blooded, attempted homicide with a deadly weapon traumatically affected the victim; and as a result, she victimized our neighborhood as well.



Membership Information

- Membership in HPNA is open to all residents 18 years or older residing within the boundaries of Hyde Park or within 300 feet of its boundaries.
- All memberships expire on September 30th of each year.
- New members and members who lapse in dues for over six months are eligible to vote at HPNA meetings 30 days after receipt of dues.
- Membership dues can be paid in several ways: By signing up at an HPNA meeting or event, by mailing in the membership form, or by joining online using PayPal. To pay online, go to www.austinhydepark.org and click on the **Join Now** button. Dues paid online are \$6.

Submission Information

- Send your articles, letters, and photos by the 10th of each month to Lorre Weidlich at *lweidlich@grandecom.net*.
 - Opinion articles & letters to the editor must not exceed 500 words.
- Send your poems to Charlotte Herzele at herzele@gmail.com.

 All poems, even if written under a pen name, must include a name and contact information for identification and verification purposes.

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AVERAGE SQ FT	2,093	1,689	1,921
MAX PRICE SOLD	\$1,150,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,160,000
MEDIAN DAYS ON MARKET	27 DAYS	8 DAYS	14 DAYS

All statistics & square footage are from Austin MLS for Single Family Residence taken 07/10/2018 from the Austin MLS. For detailed market information about your home, contact Sam Archer, Broker.



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Around & About the Avenues

National Night Out a Success in Hyde Park. Neighbors gathered at the green space on Avenue H between 39th and 40th Streets on October 2 for National Night Out, the annual community-building event. Neighbors from across Hyde Park gathered to socialize, share food, and get to know each other. The food table featured a cake with the message of the evening, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" We thank Ashley Aarons for organizing the event.



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Strings in the Park Presents Free Music at Central Market.

Come to the lawn at Central Market on Sunday, November 4 to enjoy Will Taylor's Strings Attached and Austin music legend Guy Forsyth. According to *www.stringsinthepark*. com, "Strings in the Park is a first ever, family-friendly, Austin-unique, Fall weather, public concert promoting Austin's original music and community green spaces. All are welcome." Admission and parking are free. The concert begins at 2pm.

MEAL

Hyde Park Businesses in the News. Visit Austin, in its online article "Where to Shop Local in Austin" published on October 5, 2018, included Antonelli's Cheese Shop as one of its 13 featured merchants. The article stated, "The cutto-order Antonelli's Cheese Shop was named one of the top cheese shops in the nation by Travel + Leisure, and offers tastings of its artisanal cheeses." Read the entire article at https:// www.austintexas.org/austin-insider-blog/post/shop-local/. In an article by Emma Freer, Blue Moon Glassworks, 108 West 43rd Street, was the featured business in Community Impact Newsletter, central Austin edition, August, 2018. The article states, "After 25 years working in industrial sales, Jim Berry decided to turn his hobby of making stained glass windows into a career." The article recounts the history of the business, its clients, and its classes. It also makes clear Mr. Berry's appreciation of his Hyde Park location: "We're looking out the window at green trees and quiet neighborhood and a lot of walking,' he said. 'That's a treat.'" Congratulations to these two Hyde Park merchants.



Monthly Calendar

November

- 3 Landscape Tour and Workday at the Ney
- 5 HPNA Meeting
- 8 DRC Meeting
- 9 Recycling Pickup
- 11 Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour
- 12 Steering Committee Meeting
- 17 Fall Harvest Family Day at the Ney Museum
- 22 Happy Thanksgiving!
- 23 Recycling Pickup

Farewell Dolce Vita, Welcome Uncle Nicky's. Sadly, after 23 years in Hyde Park, Dolce Vita is closing on November 11. Like local businesses all over Austin, Dolce Vita is a victim of Austin's increasingly unaffordable business rents. Most of us have enjoyed meeting friends there and enjoying its neighborhood atmosphere and its ice cream and other treats. We wish its owners, manager, and employees the best of everything in their post-Dolce Vita future. Replacing Dolce Vita will be Uncle Nicky's, a joint venture of the people behind such Austin restaurants as Juniper, Via 313, and Nickel City. Media reports describe the cuisine of Uncle Nicky's as casual Northern Italian. Uncle Nicky's is scheduled to open in January.

LASH

Hyde Park a Magnet for Millennials. On October 17, Austin CultureMap, in the article "These trendy Austin ZIP codes are among nation's hot spots for millennials" by John Egan, reported that "Austin's Hyde Park is a bona fide magnet for millennials," based on a study by apartment search website RentCafe. According to RentCafe, 61% of Hyde Park's residents were millennials as of 2016, ranking it as the second hottest spot for millennials in Texas and the sixteenth hottest spot for millennials in the United States. Read the original article at http://austin-zip-code-ranks-top-millennials-78751-hyde-park/.

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Also on the tour is Palri Pema Od Ling, Austin's only Tibetan Buddhist temple with a resident Lama, which will be open for visitors after services end at 11:30. The temple was completed in 2010 and references the style of a traditional Tibetan temple. The 13-foot, 2500-pound statue it encloses is one of only two similar statues in the United States and one of only twenty across the world.

The homes tour serves as the main fundraiser for the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association. This year, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Friends of Shipe Park to go toward restoration efforts in Shipe Park.

Check out the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association's website and Facebook page for more



Manlove House

information and to purchase tickets before the day of the tour. Advance tickets are available for purchase online until 10pm on Saturday, November 10.

www.austinhydepark.org/homes-tour/ www.facebook.com/pg/austinhydepark The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association gratefully acknowledges the support of the many neighborhood businesses, community resources, and friends who make Hyde Park a special place to live and play.

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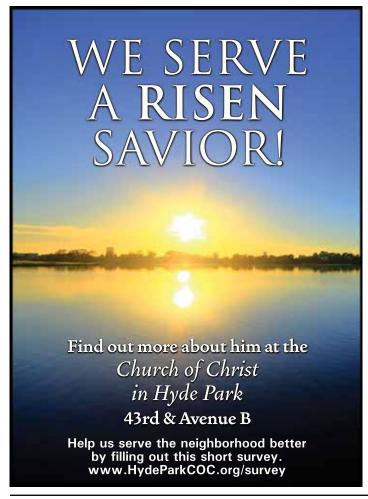
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Special thanks to Austin Parks & Recreation and the Elisabet Ney Museum, Open Wednesday through Sunday, 12 pm to 5 pm, austintexas.gov/Elisabetney A portion of the tour proceeds will be used to support the efforts of the Friends of Shipe Park in restoring the Shipe Park facilities. shipepark.org

Hyde Park Neighborhood Association thanks the countless volunteers who make this tour possible!





News from the Ney

Ahh, November in Austin! Cool nights and warm fires! Outdoor events prevail this month at the Ney, as the month opens with another Landscape Tour and Workday, sponsored by the Native Prairie Association of Texas. Like the event in October, this event, to be held Saturday, November 3, will begin at 10am with a tour of the grounds and after that offer an opportunity to put your new knowledge to use, by helping with some prairie triage. NPAT volunteers will be pulling invasive plants and getting their hands dirty, so come join in the inspirational, informative fun!

On November 11, the Ney is proud to be the host site of the HPNA's annual Historic Hyde Park Homes Tour! After all, Elisabet's home was host to many neighbors and brilliant Austinites in her day. An anchor of the most northeastern corner of the original neighborhood, Elisabet owned more property than just the grounds today, even donating some of her property to create Shipe Park! During the Homes Tour, the museum will be open for visiting, with special Hyde Park historical interpretation, and will help you get your neighborhood tour off to a great start. For more about the HPNA Homes Tour, see elsewhere in this issue.

Finally, the Ney will once again present the Fall Harvest Family Day! On Saturday, November 17, from 1 to 4pm, celebrate cooler weather and the dulcet tones of an autumn landscape with acoustic music,

tours, free spring wildflower seeds, creative outdoor activities, games, urban wildlife demos, cider and fall treats, and more. We will "reconstruct" the very popular bouncy castle from last year, too! Bring your kids and a blanket and picnic in the sun!

The exhibition, Whitney Turetzky: Feminine Grandeur, will close on Sunday, November 25. The museum will also be closed to the public on November 22 and 23 for Thanksgiving.

As always, all events are free and open to the public.



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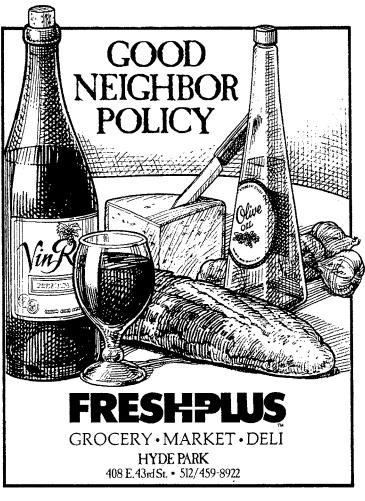


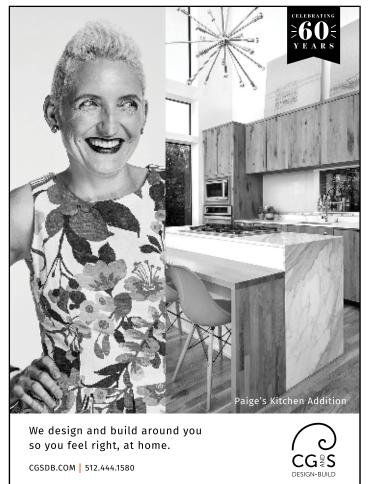


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HPNA Meeting Minutes: September 17, 2018

Interim co-President Sarah Cook called to order the monthly meeting of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association at 7:07pm on September 17, 2018 in the Griffin School at 5001 Evans Avenue. She began by welcoming new association members. She explained that the announced meeting agenda will be slightly changed due to the lateness of some invited speakers.

Steven Aarons invited all neighbors to the National Night Out hosted by the Towne Park Trail at 40th and Duval. This is an annual event to promote community cohesion and safety. It will be held from 7 to 9 on Tuesday, October 2 and is a child-friendly event.

Adam Wilson presented a report from the Nominating Committee. He first thanked former president Reid Long, who has left Austin to attend law school, as well as those who have completed their terms on the Steering committee, Karin Wilkins and Sharon Brown. Nominations for Steering Committee include Phil Seibert, Heather Ryan, and Margo Carrico. The nominations for HPNA officers are as follows: co-Presidents Sarah Cook and Betsy Clubine, Vice-President Paula Rhodes, co-Secretaries Susan Marshall and Bonnie Neel, co-Treasurers Suzanna Walker and Lorre Weidlich. Members will vote on these nominations at the October general meeting.

The next agenda item was an overview of the upcoming bond election. The first speaker was Jeff Smith, appointed in 2016 by Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo to the thirteen-member City of Austin Bond Election Advisory Task Force. He explained the process by which projects came to be included for bond funding. Among the criteria were urgency of need, readiness for funding, and equity in geographic coverage. He underscored the diversity of the task force on ideology, political affiliation, and residence. The task force presented its report to the Austin City Council in April, 2018. The Council and city legal staff examined and revised the bond package, resulting in seven propositions (designated A through G) that are on the November ballot, totaling \$925 million.

The next speaker was Ted Siff, chair of the organization Austin Together, which is campaigning for passage of the entire bond package. He provided a handout prepared by the city and explained each of the seven bond propositions, emphasizing that they constitute a complementary set of city improvements. They include funding for affordable housing (Prop A), libraries and cultural facilities (Prop B), parks and recreation (Prop C), flood mitigation and water quality (Prop D), health and human services (Prop E), public safety (Prop F), and transportation infrastructure (Prop G). He reported the city's

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HPNA Meeting Minutes: October 1, 2018

Immediate Past co-President Kevin Heyburn and co-Vice President Betsy Clubine called to order the monthly meeting of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association at 7:08pm on October 1, 2018 at the Griffin School at 5001 Evans Avenue. Vice President Clubine welcomed new attendees. Both presiders announced several upcoming HPNA events.

Vice-President Clubine briefly explained the meeting agenda. First, there would be presentations by three candidates for election to District 9 of the Austin City Council, followed by three mayoral candidates. All candidates for these seats were invited to the meeting. HPNA business items would follow.

Kevin Heyburn introduced the District 9 candidates for City Council, all of whom were given the same time limit to present their platforms. First was Danielle Skidmore, who was a civil transportation engineer and a 24-year resident of Austin. Ms. Skidmore began her political activism lobbying the Texas legislature for laws to help special-needs children and more recently worked against the so-called "bathroom bill" that restricts facilities for LBGTQ Texans. She was running on progressive and mobility platforms. She felt that not all voices were being heard in the district and pledged to build bridges to work to solve the transportation and affordability crises.

The second candidate for District 9 council member was Linda O'Neal, who was an AISD high school teacher. She was born in Vietnam and raised among the north Austin immigrant community. She criticized CodeNEXT as a market-driven plan and cited models of other cities that have successfully transitioned renters into home owners. Ms. O'Neal also identified neighborhoods where the city can build more density instead of demolishing homes in older neighborhoods. Lastly, she underscored the need for more accountability from city leadership to address the health care needs of indigent residents and remediate the problem of lead contamination in the city's water supply.

The final speaker was incumbent Council Member Kathie Tovo, who was also the current Mayor Pro Tem. She stated that she was running for reelection because we have a lot more to accomplish together. She reviewed her long history of community advocacy prior to holding elected office and highlighted accomplishments of her council tenure such as the city's sick leave policy, the opening of the Sobering Center to divert individuals from jails and hospitals, and more resources for the historic preservation office. Ms. Tovo underscored her record of advocacy on behalf of neighborhoods.

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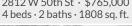
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estimate that passage of the total bond package would raise the debt service property tax by about 2 cents per \$100 assessed home value, or about \$60 per year for a home assessed at \$300 thousand. For the details of each proposition, visit the city's bond website at austintexas.gov/2018bond.

The final speaker on the bond package was John Lawler, representing the organization Keep Austin Affordable. He spoke in support of Proposition A and referred members to the website *KeepAustinAffordable. com* that contains a Q&A sheet on this proposition. He emphasized the opportunity presented by bond funds to acquire land for the development of low-cost housing.

The next speakers represented Helping Hand Home, which has been in Hyde Park (38th Street and Avenue B) since 1925. This nonprofit organization serves young children (aged 4 to 13) who have been abused and neglected. Its goal is to help children heal and return them to a home setting. The first speaker, Jewels Cain, of the law firm Armbrust & Brown, explained the request for a zoning change to MF-4 due to proposed site improvements. Their planned expansion from 41 to 55 beds includes construction of a new congregate living center and educational building on the east side of Avenue B. As detailed in the minutes of the Hyde Park Contact Team meeting (see the September issue of *Pecan Press*), their plans require modification to the Hyde Park NCCD, such as higher fencing and head-in parking on West 38th Street. The second speaker, Vanessa Davila, Director of Strategic Initiatives for Helping Hand Home, provided an overview of the organization's services. It began as an orphanage and has evolved to provide adoption and foster care and, most recently, home-support services. It serves about 400 families each year. The planned expansion is a response to a greater need for their services in Central Texas. Members will vote on the proposed zoning change and changes to the Hyde Park NCCD at the October general meeting.

Announcements included solicitation for funds for Shipe Park improvements that are not part of the pool construction budget. These include restoration of the historic log cabin and replacement of turf and playscape on the site of the former wading pool. Friends of Shipe Park is organizing this effort. To learn more, visit https://shipepark.org. For online tax-deductible donations, go to https://shipepark.org. The Shipe Park designation is important to ensure your donation is directed to Shipe Park improvements rather than to the general fund.

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The next item on the agenda was presentations by three candidates for the November election for city Mayor. Each candidate had three minutes to make presentations, followed by questions prepared by the HPNA Steering Committee. If any time remained, the floor would be open to audience questions.

The first speaker was incumbent Mayor Steve Adler, who underscored Austin's leadership among Texas cities on immigration issues, opposition to the state's bathroom bill, and climate change. He stated that our big problems are affordability and mobility. In 2016, Austin passed the largest mobility bond in the city's history, and Project Connect is a plan for a high-capacity transit system that will service both local and regional riders. Mr. Adler is proud to have worked on the affordability issue by moving money into a trust fund and guiding Proposition A onto the November ballot.

The second candidate for mayor was Travis Duncan, who expressed concern about the underrepresentation of many city residents in key decisions. He suggested policies to reduce the power of incumbent candidates in our elections. He promised 100% voter turnout by 2020 and pledged to do 500 days of town hall meetings. Mr. Duncan emphasized the need for fundamental change to empower all people and criticized the city's development plans as perpetuating inequality.

The third mayoral candidate was Laura Morrison, whose professional credentials were in math and engineering with a graduate certificate in public health. Her neighborhood activism goes back twenty years, and she was a former president of the Austin Neighborhoods Council. Ms. Morrison served two terms on the Austin City Council beginning in 2008. She supported funding to renovate Shipe Pool and programs to alleviate homelessness. Her platform included a change in priorities that puts people first.

There was time for two questions prepared by the HPNA Steering Committee:

- 1. If elected, name three things you want to accomplish.
- Mr. Duncan: To facilitate public engagement through my pledge to hold 500 town meetings and to build a mobile app to make voting easier. To work on climate change by banning all toxic substances and direct an accelerated path to zero emissions by 2022. Third, to fast-track transportation improvements by using cooperative labor for community projects.
- Ms. Morrison: All of our problems stem from the inability to bring people together. On housing, we need to accommodate growth. On transportation, mobility is our greatest challenge. We need a proactive plan. Third, we need to restore trust in city hall by reduc-

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David Butts made an appeal for November voters to reject Proposition K, which funds an independent city audit. He asserted that the groups behind this proposition include an organization that is currently suing the city regarding its sick leave policy. He claimed that the interests behind this proposition are against labor and for the privatization of public utilities. He stated that Kirk Watson, Mayor Steve Adler, and mayoral candidate Laura Morrison are on record as opposed to Proposition K. Sharon Brown reminded the group that October 6 is the last day to register to vote in the November election.

Sarah Cook adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm.

 Susan Marshall HPNA co-Secretary

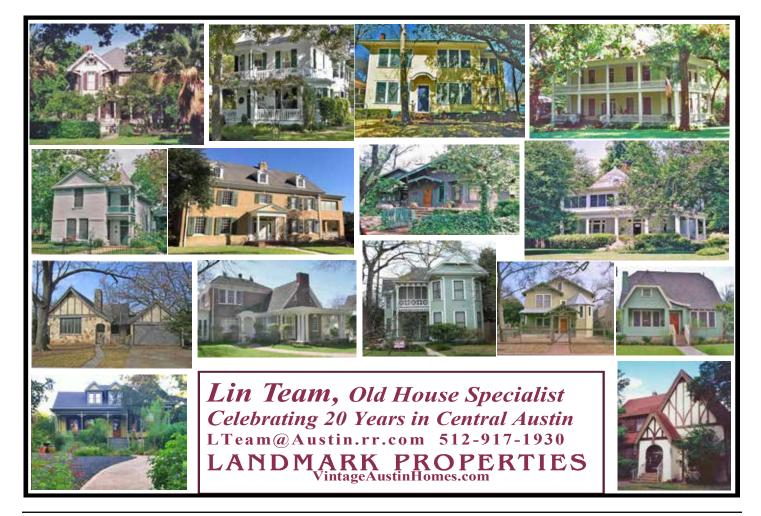


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ing the power of special interests. I would not have approved the Amazon and soccer stadium deals. My record is one of transparency and community engagement.

- Mr. Adler: I see scale as a major focus. We need to devise regional solutions. Hopefully the upcoming bond proposals to improve transportation and mobility will pass. We need more affordable housing and high-capacity transit, but these require regional solutions. We also need political action at a larger scale, such as fighting against President Trump and Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick, who is working to take away the city's sick leave policy and pass the bathroom bill. I will work on solutions for climate change with Austin Energy and I have a goal of zero veteran homelessness.
- 2. How do you believe the city should move forward with a new land development code?
- Ms. Morrison: The priority goal of keeping families in their homes was abandoned as CodeNEXT proceeded. I recommend that we build in requirements for a city advisory committee to vet different iterations of CodeNEXT so residents are better in-

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formed. We also need an audit of what went wrong. We should mandate that each district sets targets for affordable housing so the responsibility is shared across areas of the city. We should not upzone neighborhoods in the urban core.

- Mr. Adler: We have asked City Manager Cronk to do an audit of what went right and wrong with CodeNEXT. It is important that he come up with a process that people trust. When revisions were made, the community did not hear about the changes and this caused a problem. We also need to build into the next plan a way to protect neighborhoods and focus on development along transportation zones. We also need to ensure that upstream development obeys environmental codes to protect downstream neighborhoods from flooding.
- Mr. Duncan: We need to create an open-source modeling platform so anyone can upload a development plan for consideration. To include more people in the process we need to create a virtual-reality website. We should immediately mandate that all new construction be earth-resonant. I am here to challenge the prior right to develop land, because the land belongs to those not even born yet. My only rule is that the plan be earth-resonant and provide full sovereignty protection.

Given the time constraints, as the candidates had other commitments, there was no time for audience questions. All candidates were thanked for their participation.

The next agenda item was a joint HPNA-Contact Team vote on the Helping Hand Home resolution. Jewels Cain, representing Helping Hand Home, summarized the request for a zoning change (to MF-4) and modifications to the NCCD to accommodate group housing for children. The motion was passed by HPNA members by a vote of 19 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions. The Hyde Park Contact Team membership also passed the resolution. The resolution reads as follows:

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) supports the Helping Hand Home for Children in the following proposed rezoning and other changes to its properties on Avenue B between 38th and $38 \frac{1}{2}$ Streets.

- 1. A zoning change to the properties located at 3807 Avenue B and 310 West 38th Street. These properties are currently zoned SF-3-NCCD-NP and the request is to rezone them to MF-4-NCCD-NP to match 312 W. 38th Street, 3803 Avenue B, and 3805 Avenue B, which are already zoned MF-4.
- 2. The following changes to the Hyde Park Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) (Ordinance No. 02013131-20):

The addition of the following provision to Part 6: Congregate living shall be a permitted use on 310 and 312 W. 38th Street and 3803 and 3805 Avenue B, with a limit of ten residents per residential structure.

The addition of the following provisions to Part 7:

- The property at 3807 Avenue B may front on 38 ½ Street.
- The property at 3807 Avenue B may include parking closer than 10 feet to the property line on W. 38 ½ Street.
- The property at 3807 Avenue B may include a driveway that exceeds 25 feet and more than one curb cut.
- The property at 3807 Avenue B may include headin parking.
- The five-lot area consisting of 310 and 312 W. 38th Street and 3803, 3805, and 3807 Avenue B may include a surrounding fence up to 6 feet in height. The fence must have a ratio of open space to solid material of not less than 1 to .25.
- Buildings on 310 and 312 W. 38th Street and 3803 and 3805 Avenue B may have entrances that are not on the front of the building. However, those buildings shall be constructed so that their appearance suggests street-facing entrances.

The HPNA recognizes that the Helping Hand Home provides an invaluable service for children who have experienced physical, emotional, and

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sexual abuse; neglect; or abandonment. It is our understanding that the proposed development will enhance this service by expanding the on-site congregate residential living and educational facilities.

The next agenda item was a proposed amendment to the HPNA budget for fiscal year 2018. It requested an allocation of five thousand dollars from the current budget to support restorations to Shipe Park that were not included in the city's funding for pool replacement. Money is needed to restore the Log Cabin, which was a WPA project built in the 1930s, and to renovate the space left vacant by the relocation of the wading pool. This area will be landscaped and swing sets and picnic facilities will be added. Friends of Shipe Park has received a grant of \$50,000 for the renovation and seeks \$34,000 in matching funds. Individuals are urged to donate; information can be found in the October, 2018 issue of Pecan Press. The vote on this amendment was 19 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

The final agenda item was approval of the slate of candidates to fill two-year terms as officers and Steering Committee members of HPNA. The list of candidates presented by the Nominating Committee was announced at last month's meeting and was published in the October, 2018 issue of the Pecan Press. The vote was 21 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Before adjournment, neighbor Lawrence Becker invited those present to a screening of his documentary on the world's great savant artists. The event will be held at the Austin Film Society behind ACC on Middle Fiskville Road on Sunday, November 4, from 4 to 9 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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Hyde Park Neighborhood Shipe Park Update... **Plan Contact Team** Minutes: October 1, 2018

Special Called Meeting Griffin School, 5001 Evans Avenue, Austin

Voting Members Present: Ellie Hanlon, Joe Bedell, Karen Saadeh, Kevin Heyburn, Lorre Weidlich, Sharon Brown, Susan Moffat, Lisa Harris.

Call to order. Contact Team Chair Lorre Weidlich called to order the Special Called Meeting of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Plan Contact Team meeting at 8:04pm. A quorum was present.

Helping Hand Home Resolution. Contact Team Vice Chair Kevin Heyburn distributed copies of the Helping Hand Home (HHH) resolution for review. Jewels Cain with the firm Armbrust & Brown, which is representing Helping Hand Homes, provided a summary of the resolution, which would support requested zoning changes and some modifications to the Hyde Park Neighborhood Conservation Combining District (NCCD) to allow HHH to redevelop its property east of Avenue B. The proposed changes had already been discussed extensively at the Contact Team's regularly scheduled July 23rd meeting, and the text had been published in the Pecan Press neighborhood newsletter. ACTION: Susan Moffat moved, with Karen Saadeh seconding, to support the HHH resolution. The motion passed with 6 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.

Adjourn. There being no further business, the Contact Team adjourned its meeting at 8:10pm.

> Susan Moffat Contact Team Secretary



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Shipe Park Work Beginning

chinking, and making other upgrades. This work is scheduled for completion by the end of the year.

- The City of Austin Forestry Department has completed much-needed work on the heritage oak next to the Log Cabin. This involved air spading the soil around the trunk to aerate the soil and lower the soil to the proper level for the tree's root zone. Forestry also trimmed the trees by the Avenue F construction entrance to allow placement of the construction trailer on the gravel adjacent to the large swing set. In addition, it carefully lifted the low live oak branches that were touching the bottom of the wading pool. This will enable the contractor to proceed with demolition of the wading pool.
- The City has begun work on a planned new sidewalk on the east side of Avenue G connecting 45th Street to the entrance of the new pool.
- Hyatt Construction has begun work on the new pool. The City of Austin's projected completion date is June 15, 2019.

Neighbors Contribute to Shipe Park Projects

Through mid-October, 45 individuals, two foundations, two restaurants, HPNA, and the Hyde Park Baptist Church had contributed over \$35,000 to match a \$50,000 grant from the Austin Parks Foundation. This will fund the renovation of the Log Cabin and new amenities in the old wading pool area. To contribute to this community effort to invest in our park, go to https://austinparks.org/support-shipe-park/.

For continuing updates and more information go to https://shipepark.org.

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