

SDC CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2009

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

7350 E. 29th Ave., Suite 300

CAB Members Present: Keven Burnett, Nadine Caldwell, Laura Edler, Glenn Fee, Phil Flores, Elizabeth Garner, Happy Haynes, Khadija Haynes, Alice Kelly, Justin Ross, Ann White, Scott Wyatt; **SDC:** Cheryl Cohen-Vader; **Stapleton Foundation:** Bev Haddon; **Forest City:** Tom Gleason, Landri Taylor

Call to Order: Justin Ross called the meeting to order. The January 19, 2008 meeting minutes were approved.

Co-Chair Report: No oral or written report was provided.

A Presentation on the Smiley Middle School and Envision Leadership Prep was given by Gully Stanford, Parent Committee, Tonee Cole, Smiley Assistant Principal and Nikki Rivera, Smiley Principal and introduced by Bev Haddon, Stapleton Foundation CEO.

Tonee Cole, assistant principle talked about the Smiley Middle School pursuing authorization to become an International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IBMYP) for northeast Denver. This program is a combination of integrated language arts, science, math, humanities, arts and foreign languages to prepare students for high school and post-secondary success.

Nikki Rivera discussed the Envision Leadership Prep (ELP) that prepares students for college. Art and technology are integrated into all the subjects. ELP is the first school in the Envision Schools Colorado network of charter schools. The schools will use project-based learning models and will incorporate a rigorous curriculum, personalized relationships between teachers and students, relevance between the classroom and student's experiences and results that are demonstrated through students' performance on a standardized test.

Committee Reports:

- **Design Review Committee** – No oral or written report was provided because the February meeting was canceled.
- **Membership Committee** – No oral or written report was provided because the Membership Committee will meet in April.
- **Housing Diversity Committee** – Justin Ross gave a short oral report because the Housing Diversity Committee will meet in March. The Housing Diversity Working Group met on Wednesday, February fourth with a brief update on sales at East Bridge Town Center. Other updates included the Mercy parcel closing and northeast Denver status.
- **Communications Committee** – Tom Gleason announced the Public Forum which will be held on Thursday, May seventh. No written report was provided.
- **Workforce & Business Opportunity** – Ann White provided a short oral report; no written report was provided because a Workforce & Business Opportunity meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12th. Ann White, Office of Economic Development discussed the Flex Options for Business event which was held on Friday, February 13th. The event hosted by the TMA, the Dept. of Labor Women's Bureau and DRCOG. Future meetings are planned.
- **Parks Advisory Group** – Glenn Fee gave an oral report; a written report was included in the packet. The Westerly Creek Connection gave a presentation at the Tuesday, January 13th meeting. On Tuesday, March 10th the meeting will feature a discussion by the Denver Parks & Rec employees on park maintenance at Stapleton.
- **Zoning & Planning** – No oral or written report was given because the meeting was canceled

- **Transportation** – Angie Malpiede gave a short oral report; no written report was provided. The TMA Advisory Board meeting held on Wednesday, February fourth issued a “call to action” to key stakeholders to do a briefing on the I-70 interchange.

SDC Report: No oral report was given; a written report was included in the packet. Survey results will possibly be available in March.

Forest City Report: Tom Gleason gave an oral report; a written report was included in the packet. An environmentally friendly dry cleaner is open for business in the ground level retail that was included in the design of the Extra Space Storage building on Martin Luther King Blvd. There is a new office tenant, Colorado Genetics Lab, they have leased 11,000 square feet on the second floor of the LEED (GOLD certified 3055 Medical Office Building in the Stapleton Town Center.

Stapleton Foundation Report: No oral report was provided; a written report was included in the packet.

Partner Cities Updates:

- **City of Denver:** No oral or written report was provided.
- **City of Aurora:** No oral or written report was provided.
- **City of Commerce City:** No oral or written report was provided.

Stapleton Partner Cities Updates:

- **Stapleton United Neighbors (SUN)** – No oral report was provided; a written report was included in the packet.
- **Master Community Assoc. (MCA)** – No oral or written report was provided.
- **Bluff Lake Nature Center (BLNC)** – No oral or written report was provided.
- **Sand Creek Regional Greenway (SCRG)** – No oral or written report was provided.
- **Johnson & Wales (J&W)** – No oral report was given; a written report was included in the packet.
- **Denver Police Academy** – No oral report was given; an email handout was provided.
- **Denver Police District II** – No oral or written report was provided.

Other Business:

No other business.

Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

Adjourned: The next meeting of the Citizens Advisory Board will be **March 19, 2009 @ 7:30 a.m.**