

Hancock Neighborhood Association Minutes May 16, 2018

1. Mark Harkrider, welcomed our guest speakers from the Texas Facilities Commission who spoke about the construction of the 1st phase of the Health & Human Services 406,000 ft building on North Lamar across from the Triangle. Construction will begin June, 2018 and completed December, 2018. The building will be nine levels and expected to accommodate 1,525 full time employees; in addition, there will be a seven level parking garage which will accommodate 1,866 cars. It is being built to consolidate, under one roof, many of the State employees who currently are spread throughout the city. There are three phases proposed that is, two more buildings, however, this is the only building approved by the legislature at this time.

The Facilities Commission stated it is trying to obtain a waiver from the Occupation Safety agency to turn-off the back-up beepers on the trucks so to lessen the noise disturbance; they recognize the

construction lights at night also will be a disturbance to neighbors. Trucks will be using #283, Lamar, 51st and 45th (yikes) to get to the site.

Future employees of the building, who drive to work, will be coming from all directions and using many different roadways.

For further information go to: www.tfc-nac.com

Committee Reports:

Mary Ann Osborne, a member of the HNA Local Historic Committee, reported that local historic committee met on May 5th and had thus far received approximately 10 responses from the letter which was sent to residents in April. The committee is seeking more volunteers to assist with neighbor to neighbor meetings. The committee is considering a public meeting, with expert panelists, to be held in October. For more information: www.hancocklhd.com or www.hancockneighborhoodna.org: see Document tab; email: HNA historic@gmail.com

Bruce Fairchild, presented a hard copy of the Treasurer's report. There were no other reports.

Mike Hebert of CommunityNotCommodity urged everyone to go to CommunityNotCommodity website for information on CodeNEXT and to write their concerns to the Mayor and City Council members. Also, he urged people to attend and speak out at the City Council public hearings on Tuesday, May 29, starting at 10:00 am at City Hall and Saturday, June 2, starting at 10:00 am.

The City Council will have its first reading votes on CodeNEXT Wednesday, June 13th.

Submitted by Msanger May 22, 2018