

Center City Residents' Association

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors February 8, 2005

Present: Coffey, Mattern, Easton, Mandel, McNamara, Seltzer, Reilly, Ascher, Baker, DiMaio, Haider, Levi, Levy, Murphy, Saltz, Schneider, Tissian, Wroblewski, Thistle, Dichter, Weinberg, Millhollen, Hoeber, Halpern, Davidson, Krakower (counsel), Levin (administrator)

Absent: None

Excused: Kung, Barnes, Donahue, Gutman, Lee, Miller, O'Brien, Phillips, Stavrakos, Straub,

1. Minutes of January 11, 2005 Board Meeting

Motion for approval: JT Reilly; seconded by Norman Tissian

ACTION: Unanimous approval

2. Assistant Secretary -- nomination of Heather Ascher

Motion for approval: Norman Tissian; seconded by Adam Schneider

ACTION: Unanimous approval

3. Telecommunications Tower at 22nd & Pine

Lance Brusilow, a neighbor objecting to the Tower requested CCRA support on basis of three factors: His objections to the permissions granted for erection of tower were:

- 1) permit improperly allowed
- 2) nuisance issues
- 3) structure, as built, materially deviates from approved drawings and specs

Photo materials to illustrate deceptive photographs minimizing size of the tower were distributed.

One letter from neighbor Sharon Dooley of 2205 Pine St. was read as a letter of support and a 2nd neighbor wrote that Historic Commission did not object.

Outcome: CCRA attorney S. Krakower suggested that LB write to Historic Commission asking rationale for their support of tower. SK furthermore believes that an appeal to Zoning Board is justified where neighbors will have a hearing. SK suggested that if L & I sees that what is built

does not meet the plan, they will carry out a complete investigation. Cost of the appeal is approximately \$2,000.00.

MOTION: Investigate with report as to whether an appeal should be taken or not: **(AT MARCH 2005 BOARD MEETING, CAPTURE THE NAME OF THE BOARD MEMBER WHO MADE THE MOTION).**

ACTION: All voting members in favor with exception of LM and FL voting against and VS abstaining.

4. Treasurer's Report: TJ Reilly

Based upon early projections, CCRA should expect to be about \$2,000.00 ahead by end of fiscal year.

5. Community Supper

Thanks to Heather, Beth, and JuHwon for a superb job, both with Community Supper and Ground Hog Day celebration.

6. Proposed Bylaws Amendments: Jean Wrobleski

A lengthy, active and positive discussion was carried out in relation to proposed amendments which JW presented in orderly form, emphasizing major concerns be discussed first to be followed by discussion of those changes of least deviation from original. Most controversial changes were those found in Articles 5,6,and 9 relating to terms of office, past president voting privileges, and the function and powers of the President and Executive Committee. Discussion also followed on Articles 2,3,7,8, 10

Letters of objection encouraging more discussion were received from past president George Brodie and Board Member Neil Gutman, each of whom were not able to be present. Past president Will Jordan's concerns were presented to the Board in Mr. Jordan's absence.

NEXT STEPS; adjustments will be made by By-Laws committee pursuant to the sense of the Board at this Board meeting, a new version will be completed and circulated at least one week prior to March board meeting for discussion/vote. The Board expressed thanks to By-Laws Committee members Jeanne Wrobleski, Norman Tissian, and Jonathan Goldstein for their past and continuing work.

7. Zoning Committee Adam Schneider

No formal report was given. AS assured Board members that the ZC WILL develop guidelines, regulations, and attendance policies to be presented to Board for approval, per earlier request in response to AS's expressed conviction that membership on ZC should not be appointive, but members to continue to be selected from volunteers.

8. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Vivian Seltzer

Secretary