



**PIMA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND  
NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT**

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**PIMA COUNTY  
NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2013 9:00am  
Pima Neighborhood Partnership Office (PNIP)  
3810 S. Evans Blvd., Suite 130  
Tucson, Arizona 85714**

**MINUTES**

**NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (NROC)  
MEMBERS**

Present        Mr. Bennett Bernal District 3 Appointee  
                     Ms. Elvia Lopez-District 5 Appointee, Vice Chair  
                     Ms. Corey Knox-District 4 Appointee

Absent         Mr. Felipe Lundin-District 2 Appointee

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION  
DEPARTMENT STAFF**

Leslie Nixon-Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Manager  
Tony Reis – Program Coordinator  
Lori Aldecoa-Program Coordinator  
Camy Juarez- Program Coordinator  
Isabel Camarena - Administrative Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT**

None

**CALL TO ORDER** by Leslie Nixon at 9:00am. Officer's not yet assigned.

**INTRODUCTION-** Program Director, Leslie Nixon

**ROLL CALL**

Quorum satisfied.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS-**

Corey Knox moved to nominate Bennett Bernal as Chair for the NROC Committee  
Seconded- Elvia Lopez  
Motion passed unanimously

Elvia Lopez moved to nominate Corey Knox as Vice Chair for NROC Committee  
Seconded- Bennett Bernal  
Motion passed unanimously

**APPROVAL OF MAY 22, 2012 MEETING-**

Corey Smith moved to approve the May 22, 2012 meeting minutes  
Seconded – Elvia Lopez  
Motion passed unanimously

**REVIEW OF PROGRAM MANAGER’S REPORT-**

Leslie Nixon informed committee that Supervisor for District 1 is in the process of selecting a new appointee. An orientation will be held and Leslie invited the staff and committee to participate.

**2004 PROJECT STATUS-**

Total completed projects 50 of 55 with four projects remaining.

Tony provided status on the following pending projects;

- Wakefield – Project under construction, tentative completion date end of April 2014
- Toumey Park – Project under construction, delay with water meter removal from Tucson Water Dept.
- 29<sup>th</sup> St. Coalition- Park improvement at Freedom Park, project pending contractor bids
- Five Pts.Coalition- Project on future construction plan in multi jurisdiction. Pending design and constructions bids, scheduled completion date is 2015

**COMPLETED PROJECT STATUS-**

Camy provided status on the following completed projects;

- Barrio Hollywood- Project completed, neighborhood elected to not have a Dedication
- Menlo Park- Project completed, dedication scheduled tentatively for May 2013
- Dunbar Spring- Project completed, dedication scheduled for March 9,2013

Camy- informed committee on Dunbar Spring improvements and challenges. Dunbar Spring located by railroad tracks Main St., Speedway and St. Mary’s area. Improvements included traffic mitigation and water harvesting. The largest component was Public art.

Lori- provided status on the following completed projects-

- West University Catalina Park (Splash Pad) - Project Completed in June 2012 dedication was held in August 2013.

Leslie explained process after completed projects. The NR Dept. sends a survey to neighborhood residents and leaders for feedback information. This is then used to track project progress. Information is also included in the annual report. Mr. Bernal had questions on pending projects and unspent funds. Leslie explained that it is the board decision on how to manage any unspent funds.

### **NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE-**

Leslie spoke to the Committee about training neighborhood leaders to revive and reorganize neighborhoods. Focus groups have been held to obtain feedback. Information will be utilized for the training. The first training session is tentatively scheduled in the fall of 2013. Social Media will be incorporated to assist with obtaining feedback from neighborhoods.

### **1997 and 2004 PROJECT PERFORMANCE AUDITS-**

Leslie informed the Committee that project performance audits on all bond projects were requested by the County Administrator. Leslie explained that performance audits were already being done on all NR bond projects prior to the County Administrator's request. All 1997 and 2004 projects were inspected to assure that projects were accessible, in good repair and in good use. Any problems were addressed with the neighborhoods. Further discussion on the property damage to some of the projects included tagging vandalism and theft of property. Project audits and report information is sent to the County Administrator's office for the Bond Advisory Committee.

### **FUTURE PIMA COUNTY BOND ELECTION-**

Leslie informed the committee that tentative election date is scheduled for November 2014 and that the Bond Advisory Committee has tentatively accepted NROC recommendation for 30 million.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS-**

Corey Knox moved to request that NR Staff draft a memo to the Advisory Bond Committee, copy to County Administrator, requesting 30 million for Neighborhood Reinvestment.

Seconded – Elvia Lopez

Motion passed unanimously

### **CALL TO AUDIENCE-**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Bernal moved to adjourn, Corey Knox seconded.

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Minutes submitted by Isabel Camarena