

Minutes of the Avenues Housing Compatibility Committee
March 27, 2006
Sweet Library
7:00-8:30 pm
minutes taken by Jill Van Langeveld

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Other Community Councils' Overlay Process

The Capitol Hill Community Council approved the SR-1 overlay on March 15, 2006 with a vote of 22-1 in favor. Shane Carlson talked with the gentleman who voted against the overlay and within a few minutes he was agreeing with Shane. Much misinformation is floating around as well as some lack of confidence that the City will implement the new infill ordinance as it was intended.. Trying to get correct information out is a challenge. Deseret News interviewed Peter von Sivers for an article about the passage that appeared March 24th.

The Wasatch Hollow Housing Committee will be presenting their SR-1 Overlay proposal to their Community Council on March 29, 2006 for a vote at their April meeting.

Permit Process

Because this process is new, there is still much confusion. Because the permit people have been given so much grief for some very large project approvals in the past, they are now leaning strongly the other direction. Because of the confusion at the permits desk, many projects have been sent directly to Tier III – Board of Adjustment. Whenever something new is introduced, there are always “growing pains” and the City is trying very hard to work out the glitches. A new flow chart is now at the permit counter.

The City is working with several groups including their attorneys to get clear guidelines for the permit process. The HCC is also helping in this area by sharing our thoughts about criteria with the Planning Office and City Attorneys. Specific suggestions were listed in the minutes of the HCC 3-13-06 meeting.

Items to Add to Our Web Page

1. Capitol Hill Community Council does not have a web page so we are going to add a link on our page that will have the CHCC inventory maps.
2. With the new permit process in place, all residents within 450 feet are sent a notice when someone has plans to build or remodel that don't quite meet the criteria to get a counter permit and is now on Tier II – the Administrative Hearing. What should the neighbors do? We are going to create a page that addresses that question.

Letter to the Neighborhood

People need information so we are looking into the possibility of sending a letter to each household in the Avenues about the new permit process. The letter could include:

1. How to be a good developer.
2. How to be a good neighbor.
3. How to work with the new permit process.

Upcoming Meetings with the City

Planning Office -- March 31st

Mayor Anderson – April 13th

Future HCC Meetings

All meetings will be at 7:00 pm at the Sweet Library. They alternate Mondays and Wednesdays so that if someone has a conflict with Mondays, he/she could attend on Wednesdays

April 10th – Monday

April 26th – Wednesday

May 8th – Monday

May 24th – Wednesday