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United Neighborhoods of the Historic Arlington Heights, West Adams, Jefferson Park, & Harvard Heights communities

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2026

1. **Call To Order/Roll Call/Agenda Review**
   Candice Jackson - absent
   Sokrith Sea
   Elizabeth Fenner
   Hunter Reis
   Laura Meyers
   Joshua Pierce - absent excused
   Sho' King
   Shannon Andrea Malone
   Edward Saunders
   Michael Kimbrough
   Candice Jackson
   Michelle Rosser
   Tamala Choma
   Michael Soderstrom
   Kareen Alprecht
   Siohban O'Neill-Schwenk
   Sandra Pruitt
   Cesar Garcia Gonzalez
   Michelle Rossner
   Rabeyah Kha
   Marco Ramirez - absent

2. Public Comments & Announcements

- Former board member Theresa Maysonet notes that she should have received an invitation to the UNNC meeting with Councilmember Heather Hutt since she is the chair of the tree committee. Also announces that there will be a community cleanup next weekend - May 16 & 17. Trash will be collected at 7th and 25th.
- Monica Bailey from William Grant Still Arts Center shares info about the Art & Jazz mini camp coming up July 6 - 31 for children during the day. Registration begins May 16th online and in person.
- Chris Carlson reminds the board about Fire Service day this Saturday May 9 at Station 26.

- Two new neighbors to UNNC's area share a story about witnessing a fatal hit and run within a few months of moving here. Express concern about traffic safety and large vans parked near their house.

3. "Restoring Dreams" ~ DCA Western Avenue Mural:

- Thom Huang of The Urbane Artist shares a presentation about a mural project that is underway along S Western Ave.

4. Appoint Candidate for Region 6

- Replace former board member Marco Ramirez with a new candidate. Chris Carlson moves to declare the Region 6, Group 2, Seat B empty. Ed seconds. The motion passes unanimously. Potential new member Joshua Stephens introduces himself. Board makes a motion to appoint Joshua for one year appointment. Motion passes.

5. Government Agency Reports

- Alicia Rivera updates about CD10 - Camp Hutt, a summer camp for young kids, is happening again this year from June 5 - 7. Update on 311 requests, reminds board to continue to submit requests. Discusses the Street Light ballot that went out to some board members regarding street lighting assessment on their streets. Discussion about the assessment and people's uncertainty with the parameters.
- Daniel Johnson from DONE shares that he's very interactive with his boards. Says that DONE is also discussing the street lighting assessment ballot. Update about funding training "transitions" and issues with the cornerstone website. Tells us that board members who have not completed their training cannot vote tonight. Shares a city-run trainings on May 20 and May 22.

6. Approve Letter requesting Tree Cages removal on Washington Blvd

- Tree committee chair Theresa Maysonette speaks on the request to remove tree cages from several trees along Washington Boulevard. Chris Carlson makes the motion to support the removal of tree cages. Hunter seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

7. Funding Requests

- Los Angeles Korean Festival: requests $1000 for a Korea vs Mexico Watch Party. Executive board suggests giving just $500 instead to the Los Angeles Korean Festival Foundation to support their 2026 World Cup Watch Party. Motion passes.
- Affirm prior NPG grant for $2,500 supporting FA-MLI's education/outreach regarding Malcolm X's legacy: reaffirm a previously approved NPG for $2,500 for the Malcolm X Corridor. Sokrith makes a motion. Sho' seconds. Motion passes.

8. Committee Reports

- Tree Committee Report: Theresa Maysonette updates about the recent tree planting event along 21st.
- Treasurer Report: Approve MER for March and April. Both motions pass unanimously. Budget adjustment - moving $510 from outreach to NPGs. Motion passes.
- President's Report: Update on meeting with Councilwoman Heather Hutt. City wants to work on projects that UNNC and other neighborhood councils are invested in. Update on website ADA compliance - we have a year to get within the required standards.

9. Re-Establish UNNC Mobility & Transportation Sub-Committee, and Appoint Chair

- Cesar to become the UNNC Mobility & Transportation Sub-committee. Motion passes unanimously.

10: Adjourn