

9 July 2008

WEEKLY MEETING OF NWQ STUDY GROUP

Attending from the Study Group: John Gasden, Dwayne Smalley, James Bellew, Pete Palmer

Not attending: Al Hefner, Henrietta Goode, Bob Pinkerton

Attending from the public: Mayor Keyserling, Donna Alley, Naomi Lewis, Garrett Budds, Jay Weidner, Brenda Dooley, Donnie Beer and Bruce Bonge

Key Points Were:

- Garrett Budds and Josh Martin (and five others) walked measured, and photographed the Q. They will get back to us with recommendations on form based codes that will support the maintenance of current sizes and scopes.
- The Wednesday night turn out was around 60 – which compares favorably to turn outs for this kind of meeting in Pigeon Point, The Old Point, and The Commons. The feedback was reasonably positive. The tests will be to see how many residents show up for the 22 July meeting to create a neighborhood association AND to see how many show up for the Study Group's next community meeting on 5 August.
 - Several people at the community meeting pressed hard for the creation of a neighborhood association to make sure that their voices are heard.
 - We all owe a major vote of thanks and applause to Henrietta Goode and Dwayne Smalley for the meaningful turn out at the 8 July meeting.
- Mark Krueger could not attend the meeting but is moving forward with local architects.
- James Bellew is gathering 3 to 5 case studies on the differing kinds of financial assistance packages that might be applicable to specific persons and specific addresses.
- A smaller group of the attendees had a follow up meeting with Brenda Dooley to identify and gain approval for demolishing several buildings in the NWQ by an imposed deadline by HUD.