

Neartown Association
June 24, 2014
Minutes

Greg LeGrande called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

1). METRO Transit System Reimagining Update -- José Pulido, Metropolitan Transit Authority
The new plan will be a simpler, 7 day a week plan with improved weekend and evening travel options and better connections. Metro is continuing to hold public meetings and anticipates all feedback to the Reimagining Plan by July 31, 2014. Input will be considered and a final plan presented to the Board in the fall. They are targeting full implementation a year from now. The Reimagined routes can be found online at: <http://www.transitsystemreimagining.com/> . Metro has speakers for neighborhood associations to discuss the Reimagining process and status and gather feedback.

2). Members Poll of new concerns –

- TABC Permits and Parking
- Water line replacements
- Street Closures for Pride Parade
- Infrastructure committee is interested in getting contacts for all of the Neartown CAs to provide input to their inventory of street conditions

3). Other –

- Houston District G City Council Member Oliver Pennington spoke on concerns of Houston's fiscal position and outlining his platform and plans in running for Houston Mayor.
- Richmond Rail, Houston Tomorrow, and others succeeded in getting 1000 letters in support of Rail sent to Congressman Poe and the other Houston representatives to assist in rescinding Congressman Culberson's appropriations bill exclusion of any funds for rail on Richmond or Post Oak. The effort was unsuccessful in the House. Anticipate additional support letters will be needed as the House/Senate conference committee takes up the bill.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.