

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: Urban Design Committee

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Wednesday, May 2, 2007, 3:00 p.m., Room 206, County-City Building, 2nd Floor, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS AND OTHERS

IN ATTENDANCE:

Members:	JoAnne Kissel and Thomas Saddler. Mike Eckert, Gordon Scholz, Scott Sullivan, Kim Todd and Mary Anne Wells absent.
Others:	Charles Hamilton (Hamilton Property Law); Ed Zimmer and Michele Abendroth (Planning Department.)

STATED PURPOSE: Regular Urban Design Committee Meeting

The meeting began at 3:11 p.m.

Approval of meeting notes of April 4, 2007

Due to the lack of a quorum, the meeting notes were not voted upon.

Appeal of Planning Director's decision on Neighborhood Design Standards for a house at 3285 Leighton Street

Zimmer stated that this is the first appeal received under the new Neighborhood Design Standards. Under the current standards, the Planning Director has authority to approve a design application. Neighbors within 200 feet of the property are notified and given the opportunity to appeal the Planning Director's decision. Zimmer presented images and photos of the neighborhood. He noted that this is not an historic district and there is a wide mix of housing styles in the area. The proposed application has the garage over the house, reads as a split level home and has a covered area in the front. The Planning Director's finding was that this is a creative solution given the 100-year floodplain element and the mixed housing types in the area.

Kissel stated that she feels this is a good design and solution as there is not one character or style of homes in the neighborhood. Saddler also feels this is a good solution and believes it may help the neighborhood.

Misc.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

***Please note that these minutes will not be formally approved until the next meeting of the Urban Design Committee. ***