March 13, 2023

MINUTES

Attending:

Ravi Patel, Chris Smith (Virtual), Nancy Mason, Nick Sims, Sam Bokatzian, Abby Chadwell (Virtual), Sam Lloyd (Virtual), Nancy Walburn, Roxanne Batson, Angela McKinney, Ben Booth (Virtual), Laura Stansell (Virtual)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM at the City of Homewood Council Chambers with Chair Ravi Patel presiding and recording the minutes.

Approval of the Minutes: Ravi Patel submitted the February meeting minutes. Nancy Mason moved for approval, and Laura Stansell seconded. Motion was carried.

New Business:

There were no updates on street sign project. Board will reach out to Randy closer to date of order arrival to be able to notify residents of potential traffic delays.

The Board discussed and Roxanne Batson volunteered to take pictures during the Beautification Award presentation at Norris Injury Firm. Ravi will send email to Randy to remind him to place Beautification Award at place designated by Norris.

The Board carried over the flower planting/hanging basket agenda item to April. Prior to April meeting Nick Sims will coordinate a meeting with Berkley and Board members to create a better understanding and timeline for Board input.

Board discussed April 8th Griffin Creek Cleanup. Board will coordinate with Berkley regarding garbage pickup/drop off location.

The Board discussed Earth Day cleanup event. Discussed outreach opportunities and Board will designate an area for cleanup by consensus email.

Ravi opened and closed discussion of possible I-65 gateway signs. Such signs will not be possible as ALDOT representative stated that ALDOT will not allow a city to put a sign on a state ROW.

The Board the discussed the possibility of presenting a Shopping Cart ordinance to the City but decided that there is not a large enough issue created by businesses in the city limits for same.

The Board discussed sending a letter to City requesting adoption of a "city cemetery rehabilitation authority" as described in AL Statute §11-80-13 for the maintenance of Sellers-Bailey Cemetery.

Sam requested if there was an update on the Homewood gateway sign near Berry Rd. Nick notified that sign repair is delayed due to contractor but is on schedule from Public Works funds.

Next Meeting

The next Beautification Board meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2023, in City Council Chambers. There being no further business, Ravi Patel adjourned the meeting at 01:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ravi Patel, President.