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Stephanie Kesler, Past President

MEETING MINUTES

February 15, 2007

Introductions – Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m. Introductions were made by all those in attendance.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 2007 minutes were approved.

Elections -- Nominees were identified by the election committee. No other nominees were offered from the floor. The following officers are elected for the 2007/2008 term:

Julie Jessal	President
Bob French/Dan Lowery	Co vice presidents
Kathleen King	Secretary/treasurer
Mike Adams, Mavis Hancock, Diane Miller	At large board members
Stephanie Kesler	Past president
Harriet Shaftel	FCC delegate
Robert Atkinson	FCC alternate delegate

Passing of the Gavel – After many thanks to Stephanie Kesler for her outstanding performance as GHCC president, Julie Jessal began her term as president and presided over the remaining portion of the meeting.

Legislative/Assembly Report – Les Gara was unavailable to report. Alan Tesche did not attend the meeting.

Traffic Calming -- Lee Coop, MOA Associate Traffic Engineer, and Dennis Linnell of HDL Engineering Consultants provided an aerial map identifying where a traffic calming project would be installed at Hollywood Dr. and Birch St. Linnell stated that the project was on the GHCC list of priorities given to the MOA in March 2006. The project would include a choker neck at the intersection, cutting out 17 feet to downsize the intersection and slow traffic. It would also add vertical landscaping (trees) to give drivers more visual clues. Cost of project would be between \$40,000 and \$50,000. Responses from residents who spoke against the proposed project included more police enforcement, moving the project to another intersection, or postponing the project until the effectiveness of similar existing projects can be evaluated. The council requested its traffic calming committee be resurrected to study similar projects at 16th and Lake Otis, and at Dogwood and Hollywood Sts. The committee is to make a recommendation at

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the next council meeting on March 15th. The project may be delayed due to timing of a recommendation or a conflict with the Hollywood Vista excavation project.

2007 Parks Plan – Mavis Hancock stated that she will bring a parks resolution for approval to the March GHCC meeting. The resolution will outline parks projects that GH would like to see Parks and Recreation address this year. Mavis has been working with Dave Shapiro (present) of Parks and Rec to identify projects in several parks that need attention (ie., the bridge in Alderwood Park, brush along Harvard greenbelt, and trimming the bushes in Suzan Nightengale Park). She also noted that a permit will be needed before any work is done in Brown's Point Park. Anyone with parks related questions or suggestions can contact Mavis at h.hancock@att.net. Mavis requests that you indicate a subject in your email.

Long Range Transportation Plan -- Suzanne reported that the MOA Planning and Zoning committee advised against adding the Knik Arm Bridge to the LRTP. The Anchorage assembly meets February 27th and it is important to contact assembly representatives and testify at the meeting. The assembly's advisory vote will be forwarded to AMATS. AMATS will issue its decision in March. If AMATS disapproves the project, it will be kept out of the LRTP and the Fed's record of decision cannot be issued. If the Fed's decision cannot be issued, then the project cannot go forward. Facts about the Knik Arm Bridge project can be found at www.knikbridgefacts.org.

Knik Arm Bridge Crossing Update – Bob encouraged us to keep getting the word out, contact your assembly representative, and testify on February 27th at the assembly meeting.

Neighborhood Issues/Concerns -- None.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.