

## President's Report – attachment

Laurel Lindstrom

Date: 3/8/06

(See Meeting Minutes for complete report)

### Communications of Note:

- Emails to ENNA membership – see email bulletin page on ENNA website
- Liberty Square property owners – letter sent on 2/21 updating them on the fundraising effort for Liberty Square improvements, requesting owners to contact the ENNA. Fact sheet included to help clarify program and ENNA participation as facilitator.
- TTD Commissioners related to upcoming annual meeting on March 1 – contact made. Also spoke with TTD commissioner, giving our continued support for removal of billboards at EN Train station.
- Received several emails and phone calls from members and others regarding ENNA issues (significant email correspondence, and reports of phone conversations, have been forwarded to Board members as FYIs)

### Meetings/Workshops that I attended since last ENNA regular meeting:

- Zoning Committee – further review of 8 Norden Place application 2/9 at 7:30 PM – public hearing date officially changed to 3/6 at 7 PM in the Concert Hall at City Hall. Further review of proposed 36-unit condo development at 142-144 East Avenue.
- Board of Estimate and Taxation meeting on 2/13 with presentation by Finance Director Hamilton of Operating Budget. Issue of paving lower East Ave. with \$100 K approved in past Capital budget for traffic calming – approved and passed on for Council public hearing and approval.
- CNNA meeting on 2/13 (see Minutes once approved)
- Planning Commission meeting on 2/14 where resolution was passed in support of Norden Place project. Also, Capital Budget recommendations decided. No funding recommended for Strawberry Hill Avenue traffic calming studies.
- Zoning Commission public hearing on former Gibbs College site on 2/15. Approved – with conditions recommended by ENNA.
- Attended Lorman Educational Services one-day seminar on Zoning & Land Use in CT on 2/17
- TTD Commission meeting on 2/21. Discussion on district budget 2006-2007
- Historical Commission on 2/22 agreed to send letter of support to NRA regarding ENNA Liberty Square project.
- Conservation Commission public hearing 2/28 on Norden Park. Hearing held open until 3/28 for applicant rebuttal.
- Tree Advisory Committee (TAC) met on 2/28
- MNPC meeting on 3/1 at 10 AM (see minutes – once approved by committee)

- Third Taxing District Commission annual meeting on 3/1. \$1,000 approved for Liberty Square – eligible for matching NRA funds.
- Zoning Board of Appeals on 3/2 at 7:30 PM regarding Elderhouse variance request for setbacks to decrease in East Avenue Village District. Postponed.
- Zoning Commission public hearing on Norden Place development on 3/6. ENNA members wrote letters for the record, and spoke at the hearing in opposition to the density of the project.

Future Meetings/Events/Workshops:

- See ENNA Calendar Page on ENNA website for P&Z – and other meetings – which ENNA is following.
- ENNA 'Programs & Projects' committee meeting(s) TBA
- Westport and Main Avenue Corridors Advisory Committee meeting TBA
- CNNA meeting(s) on 4/10 at 7:30 PM
- Tree Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting on 3/28 at 6 PM
- MNPC meeting on 4/5 at 10 AM
- Next regular ENNA meeting is 4/12 at 7:30 PM at City Hall in Room A333
- Planning Committee of the Common Council public hearing on Capital Budget 4/4
- P&Z meetings (see calendars and agendas available on City website)

Media coverage about ENNA: (see Media page on ENNA website)

- Coverage in local papers on former Gibbs College development – ENNA presentation by developer on 2/8 and public hearing on 2/15. Coverage also on Norden development and Capital Budget issues.
- Community Briefs in local papers published meeting notices for the ENNA 3/8 meeting.

Programs & Projects – ENNA Committee Meeting(s) Report(s):

- Significant outcomes of committee meetings will be included in Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Respectfully submitted by Laurel Lindstrom