North Fort Worth Alliance Meeting Minutes Fellowship of the Parks Church October 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Colleen Demel at 9:11am.

The first item on the agenda Colleen presented was an update on area road construction. One road mentioned specifically in writing in the 2008 bond election was improvement to North Beach Street. The section between Shiver and Heritage Trace has not been started and the city says funding is not available. The Alliance's understanding is that bond money must first be used to complete projects named in the bond package, as North Beach was, prior to using 2008 bond money for unnamed projects. Rusty is inquiring to the city to understand whether the lack of funding for Beach is a result of using the money for other unnamed projects or due to overruns on other named projects depleting bond funds.

Colleen stated that she had a meeting on Columbus Day with Councilman Espino. Subjects discussed were:

1. Golden Triangle – first phase at Old Denton has begun. The representative from Woodland Springs mentioned that it would be prudent to make Golden Triangle and Old Denton a four-way stop, especially while construction is going on. The construction is being done by the State. I passed on the contact I made at TxDot to Colleen.

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- 2. Alta Vista construction to begin 2/2011. It will be constructed by the same developer as the Kroger store on Heritage Trace.
- 3. The city is looking at using North Tarrant TIF and borrowing surplus aviation department funds for improvements to Old Denton.

- 4. Premature failing streets The city is close to a settlement with the first of many contractors with first reconstruction expected to begin Jan 2011. Once this settlement is complete Sal hopes other contractors will follow suit quickly. The city has a list of premature failings but Colleen stated that she would drive roads and needs everyone's help within their own neighborhoods to identify roads that are in need of repair. An address/location and photo of each section of roadway in your neighborhood is needed.
- 5. Trolley cars The consultant the city hired to study trolley cars stated that the TRV bridges, as designed, are not capable of handling trolley traffic but the proposed routes would use those bridges.
- 6. Dale Fisseler is retiring in January 1, 2011 as city manager. The announcement included the promotion of Assistant City Manager Tom Higgins to deputy city manager, and the promotion of Planning and Development Director Susan Alanis to assistant city manager. Planning and Development Deputy Director Dana Burghdoff will become acting director of that department pending the hire of a new Planning and Development director. Higgins will be in charge of City operations as of Jan. 1, during the search for a new city manager.

Next Colleen issued the following reminders:

- Early voting period for the November 2nd election is Oct 18th through Oct 29th. Vickie Truitt is running unopposed.
- To RSVP a seat on the bus for Premier's symposium on proposed HOA legislation call Tara at (817) 380-7001.
- The Fort Worth League of Neighborhoods is holding a gas study forum to present the results of their year-long study on Oct 21. Please refer to their website for details.
- Sgt. Alldredge has taken over North Division Zones 1 & 2 from Lt. Stone. He will speak at the November meeting.
- There will be no December meeting
- Looking at getting Code Rangers to speak at the January meeting.

Colleen adjourned the meeting at 10:04am.

Communities represented at September's meeting: Heritage Glen Heritage Manor Hill Sunset Hills Woodland Springs Trace Ridge

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Beauseau, Secretary