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Main Street Development and Preservation Board
Meeting of February 26, 2001

The Main Street Development and Preservation Board of the City of Cedar Hill, Texas met on Monday, February 26, 2001, 6:00 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, City of Cedar Hill, Texas.

Present: Chairman Steve Phillips, Vice Chairman Kenna Prior, members, Celeste Faro, Amanda Hall, Norman Patten, Ann Permenter, Wes Pool, and Phyllis Stewart.

Absent: Sheri Borth.

I. Call the meeting to order.

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm, declaring it an open meeting, which a quorum was present and the meeting notice was duly posted.

II. Approve the minutes of the February 5, 2001 meeting.

A motion was made by Phyllis Stewart and seconded by Kenna Prior to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2001 meeting as presented. The motion was approved by all.

III. Staff Reports from Main Street Manager Rusty Brewer.

Main Street Manger Rusty Brewer made a brief report on three items. Mr. Brewer said his reports would be an attempt to answer some questions the Board had asked at prior meetings. First, Mr. Brewer addressed the potential overlay of Broad Street. He reported that an overlay of Broad Street was not certain and that the possibility of it being overlaid was still being investigated.

Second, Mr. Brewer reported on the status of the expansion by Southwestern Bell. Mr. Brewer reported that Southwestern Bell has made application. He also stated that Cedar Hill Planning Director Rod Tyler was happy with what Southwestern Bell had done with their design. Mr. Brewer passed around copies of the elevation drawings for the expanded Southwestern Bell building and a copy of a picture showing what land the new building will occupy. (Note: Copies of these drawings are available in the office of the Main Street Manager.)

Third, Mr. Brewer asked the Board their opinion on a matter concerning the proposed pocket park on the corner of Cedar and Houston Streets. Mr. Brewer stated that he had been asked by the Board to approach the Cedar Hill City Attorney to draw up a lease proposal for that piece of land. Mr. Brewer asked if he could hold off sending a copy of the lease until after Mrs. Sarah Moor had a chance to review the drawing that Norman Patten had submitted on behalf of the design sub-committee. Then, if Mrs. Moor gave no response, Mr. Brewer would send a follow up letter with the lease proposal. The Board agrees that this would be an appropriate course of action.

At this point Board member Amanda Hall asked two questions. The first concerned the reconstruction of Beltline Road. Mrs. Hall wanted to know if the utilities on Beltline would be built so that they could go into downtown without having to disturb Beltline Road in the future. Several members of the Board thought that Beltline Road was being built so future downtown utilities would connect with Beltline without having to disturb the rebuilt surface.

Second, Mrs. Hall asked if the Board had any input on the Southwestern Bell expansion design. Mr. Brewer stated that he did not know and that he would investigate the answer to that question.