

**MINUTES
Main Street Board
Meeting of June 2, 2003**

The Main Street Development and Preservation Board of the City of Cedar Hill, Texas met on Monday, June 2, 2003 at 6:00p.m. at 408 Belt Line Road

*Present: Chair Steve Phillips, members Sheri Borth, Norman Patten, Phyllis Stewart, Brandon Scott and Bill Watkins.
Absent: Lyle Rowley, Vice Chair Chris Parvin*

I. Call the meeting to order

Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:02pm declaring it an open meeting with notice of the meeting duly posted and a quorum present.

II. Approval of minutes from the April 28th, 2003 regular meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 28th, 2003 meeting was made by Sheri Borth and seconded by Brandon Scott. The motion was approved by all.

III. Staff Reports from Main Street Manager Valerie Gibson

Valerie reminded everyone about the appreciation party for Phyllis Stewart on Wednesday. Everyone is invited.

Chair Phillips told the board that there were applications from both Dennis Brock and Amanda Hall for Board position when appointments are made in June.

The proposal for apartments in Uptown had been revoked. Chair Phillips also reported that the Thomas property is for sale.

Sheri Borth reported that the first Keep Cedar Hill Beautiful fundraiser was very successful, and that the committee is developing ideas for entryways in the City.

IV. Committee reports from Main Street Subcommittee Chairs.

There were no reports

V. Discussion and possible action concerning Site Plan for the First Baptist Church construction.

The Board reviewed the Site Plan for the First Baptist Church's plans for reconstruction of the old Bray house. The board requested that the church remove the 2 parking spaces planned that would be immediately adjacent to Main Street in order to accommodate more landscaping. The Church agreed to do so.

A motion to recommend approval of the Site Plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission subject to the elimination of 2 parking spaces along Main Street was made by Phyllis Stewart and seconded by Brandon Scott. The motion was approved by all.

VI. Discussion and possible action concerning Marketing Assistance grant for *La Mesa Gallery*

An application for marketing assistance was submitted by La Mesa Gallery for a series of ads in the Dallas Morning News Southwest Section.

A motion to approve the grant was made by Sheri Borth and seconded by Phyllis Stewart. The motion was approved by all.

VII. Discussion and possible action concerning Lease Subsidy Grant application from *Houston Street Outfitters*.

A motion to approve the grant was made by Phyllis Stewart and seconded by Sheri Borth. The motion was approved by all.

VIII. Discussion and possible action concerning upcoming Bond Election

Chair Phillips explained to the Board that the input requested from Main Street was related to the structure of the Bond Proposals. Phil Callison from CRA was on hand to answer any questions from the board and provide input and guidance if needed.

Mr. Callison made a brief presentation to the Board explaining his concept of an open-air covered market concept. The idea includes a mixed use facility, to be housed in the old City Hall Building. It was suggested that it be called the Old City Hall Market. It was thought that there might be some value in using City Hall in the name of the facility, as the current city hall was at one point the fire station and police station for the city and served as the municipal center for over 40 years.

Chair Phillips directed the board to concentrate on 5 major issues related to the Bond Election.

1. The Board agreed that the Old City Hall Market was a good idea, and that it fulfilled many of the wishes and plans for downtown in terms of traffic and economic development and cultural integrity.
2. The Parks Department building should be turned into a museum, and could be remodeled to look like the old Santa Fe Railroad Depot.
3. The Board greatly supports the Library expansion and agrees that the city should do everything it can to ensure that the Cedar Hill Library becomes the premier research facility in Southwest Dallas County.
4. The Board discussed the desire not to locate the patrol division of the Police Department in the proposed Government Center as the nature of Police Patrol is not in keeping with the desires for the Uptown District as a pedestrian-oriented area.
5. The Board decided to recommend that the proposition be presented to the voters in 2 groups. One being the Library, and one being the redevelopment of the current City Hall in conjunction with the construction of the new government center.

A motion to submit the above recommendations to the Bond Committee was made by Norman Patten and seconded by Bill Watkins. The motion was approved by all.

IX. Adjourn