



South End Historic District Study Committee

Susan Halpern, Chairwoman
Sheila Barney
Renee Kahn
Barry Michelson
Carmine Tomas

Marlene Rhome, Alternate
Ralph Blessing, Ex officio

Minutes: South End Historic District Study Committee, Saturday, March 25, 2023. Meeting held by zoom and telephone.

Meeting Noticed for 1:30 pm.

Chairwoman Halpern called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

Roll Call taken by Barry Michelson

Regular members present: Susan Halpern, Barry Michelson

By telephone, Marlene Rhome, alternate, sitting for Carmine Tomas

Barry Michelson announced a quorum present.

In attendance: Elizabeth McCauley and Fran Gerety by telephone.

Communications: Noble House, a media consultant prepared a mailer to ascertain that all property owners in the proposed study district received an initial study committee mailing. A second letter to follow up is to go out to all property owners. Discussed the City's inability and willingness to pay recent bills associated with community outreach. City vendors received notice that bills would not be paid in February. Vendor bills have still not been paid and are now over 60 days past due.

Quarterly Report: The Committee reviewed the January 31, 2023, Quarterly Report.

Motion made to approve the report made by Sue Halpern, Second by Marlene Rhome

Unanimous Vote to Approve

Discussed Community Outreach, a few residents in the proposed district did not receive the initial mailing. These residents were identified and measures were taken to remedy the situation and make certain they received the notification.

New Business, discussed replacing Study Committee members. Fran Gerety expressed in being on the Committee

Sue spoke to Mary Dunne, SHPO, about the misleading information being circulated throughout the district.

Fran Gerrity suggested that the Committee additionally incorporate green space recommendations into the study proposal.

There being no further business at 2:35 pm Sue made a motion to Adjourn, Second by Marlene

Approved May 2, 2023

Barry Michelson