

**Kansas City Neighborhood Advisory Committee (KCNAC)
Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2007**

KCNAC Members Present

Forestine Beasley, Cynthia Canady, Robert Taylor, Dale Palmer, Michelle Cour, Carol Winterowd, Rodney Sampson, Jay Stock, Carol Puckett, Jason Waldron, Greg Hugeback, John Shields

KCNAC Members Absent

Lynda Callon, Tammy Gay, Bruce Pennington

KCMO Staff

Renea Nash, Ta'wana Woodard

Topic	Discussion	Action
Call to Order	Forestine Beasley welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for introductions.	The meeting was called to order at 3:39pm by Forestine Beasley.
Meeting minutes	Correction: Replace Puckett with Winterowd has presenter on billboard discussion. Correction: Correct the spelling of Jason Waldron's name.	The Committee approved minutes with corrections.
Agenda	Addition: Under new business: Michelle Cour -Sunnyside Park	Michelle Cour was added to agenda to discuss Sunnyside Park.
Old Business	<p><u>Billboards</u> Carole Winterowd reported the moratorium on billboards ends in July. She discussed the need for a stronger voice to end billboard blight in the city. Ms. Winterowd stated she received positive feedback from candidates running for city council. Several candidates are in favor of legislation for no new billboards in the city and stronger restrictions on interstate highways. She encouraged members to share this information with their local neighborhood associations.</p> <p><u>KCMO Budget</u> Renea Nash provided an overview of the City's proposed budget. She stated that the City's Budget and Planning Session will be taking testimonies on the budget. She encouraged everyone to attend these hearings and provide testimony.</p> <p><u>Senate Bill 237</u> The group discussed Senate Bill 237. The bill would authorize Kansas City to create a new administrative civil tribunal to hear appeals of those who have been cited for violating the City's Property Maintenance and Nuisance Codes. Currently, code violations are prosecuted criminally, and not civilly, in Kansas City Municipal Court. If passed, the bill will be more effective than criminal prosecution.</p>	

<p>New Business</p>	<p><u>KCNAC Priorities/Strategies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Renea Nash provided an overview of the 2007 KCNAC timeline. The timeline includes two forums, and Trash Worker’s Appreciation Day event. <p><u>Multicultural Ethnic Group Subcommittee</u></p> <p>Renea stated KCNAC will be meeting with Jewish Vocational Services to create a Multicultural Ethnic Group Subcommittee in June. This subcommittee will provide input and make recommendations to the KCNAC on issues facing multicultural residents.</p> <p><u>Parks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Michelle Cour reported the Parks and Recreational Board will be voting to make Sunnyside Park into a dog park. She stated that Sunnyside is a small neighborhood park used by neighborhood families with children and sports teams. She believes no small neighborhood park should be used for a dog park. A dog park will lower the property value and ruin the enjoyment of users of the park. She asked for the Committee support against changing Sunnyside Park into a dog park. In addition, she asked members to contact Marci Jones to express their on personal stand against this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The several members made suggestions to market KCNAC including advertisement on channel 2, creating an electronic newsletter, and updating the website. ▪ The Committee asked for more information on the issue and requested in writing the neighborhood associations against this change. In addition, the Committee would like to see a petition from the neighbors against the change.
<p>Committees</p>	<p><u>Waste Management</u></p> <p>No update</p> <p><u>Property Maintenance</u></p> <p>Rodney Sampson reported that he has asked for raw data numbers of property violations from Neighborhood Preservation. He will contact Pearlina McFall to get the report.</p> <p><u>Liquor Control</u></p> <p>No update</p> <p><u>Community Policing</u></p> <p>No update</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The Committee concluded at 5:05pm.</p>	