

**CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES FORM**

NAME OF BOARD/COMMISSION: UNIVERSITY HILL COMMERCIAL AREA
MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

NAME/TELEPHONE OF PERSON PREPARING SUMMARY: Ruth Weiss – 303-413-7318

NAMES OF MEMBERS, STAFF, AND INVITED GUESTS PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS: DAHL, GRIFFITH, MILLER (absent), MITCHELL, SHRUM

STAFF: CUNNINGHAM, LANDRITH, COON, WEISS, MATTHEWS, BRETT WEIDEMAN,
EVA HUEBER, ASHLEY MICHELSON

GUESTS: PETER RICHARDS

TYPE OF MEETING: Off-Site MINUTES **REGULAR MEETING: October 21, 2009**

AGENDA ITEM 1- Roll Call: Meeting called to order at 9:12 a.m. with all commissioners present except Miller.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Approval of September 16 and September 30, 2009 Minutes: (See Action Item Below) Dahl motioned for approval and Mitchell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Public Participation: Peter Richards, 470 University, voiced concern regarding the Boulder race series and how staff handled the disposition of the race series. Richards has been in Boulder since 1972. Richards would like the Commission to investigate the series and why Barry Siff was given the event to produce. Richards commented that Siff sold the Boulder Race Series to a competitor group from San Diego. Shrum and Mitchell questioned the race series and its ownership by the city. Shrum mentioned that the city turned over the race series since it was losing money. The city sent out an RFP for an event producer for the race series; Siff's company was the only one to respond. If no one responded, the races would have been terminated. Richards is seeking resolution if Siff owned the race series and was capable of selling it. Hueber remarked on Hill trash cleanup success over the weekend and only had issues with its disposal. Hueber mentioned that Ron Berry, DUHMP/PS Maintenance, was most helpful.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Police Update: Officer Coon commented that the stats are status quo. Police were gearing up for Halloween. Shrum questioned the bar status of staying open. Coon said bars were questioned on their hours of operation and if they were staying open with the time change. Dahl mentioned that one of her employees was attacked on the Hill by 5 people and the attack was stopped by his friends. Dahl's son's roommate was also beaten up by 5 guys and Dahl mentioned that it seemed attacks were more rampant. Coon responded that it was not unusual but would check into it.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – UHNA Update: Stoyva had an active Fall and mentioned that people were upset at the start of school by noise and damage to property. Neighbors were responding to public security issues, good attendance to the UHNA emergency meeting by young people, CU administration, Jane Brautigam, City Manager, along with a police presence. It was a very impressive meeting and made a difference voiced Stoyva. Stoyva continued that Lisa Shoemaker has been the liaison to the Hill Flea and very helpful. UHNA was pleased to make a donation to the Hill Flea to help make it successful. UHNA donation to Grace Lutheran helped with the purchase of chairs. Next issue with UHNA will be traffic. Shrum commented that there are more cars than people, spaces, and its impacts. Shrum was impressed with the student ownership of the Hill.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Parking Services Update: Matthews commented on the meeting with CU and others regarding the lack of parking spaces in the high density residential area (RH5) on the hill particularly in light of the renovations of fraternity houses. Matthews commented that they were at maximum parking at Baseline and 30th; Williams Village's additional housing will eliminate parking, it is really not a parking issue but a storage issue with students, use of off site area at some end of campus to house the vehicles, and remove storage from the Hill. Matthews continued that an extra employee will be working clean up the Sunday after Halloween. Potholes were filled and CU paid for the power wash of the Hill. Shrum mentioned Winter's proposal of a density hybrid neighborhood parking zone. Matthews commented that single family homes have become multi family, with each resident bringing a car and where do they park. Mitchell commented on angle parking off Euclid and 14th to help parking. Matthews responded that the angle parking is a planning issue. Matthews commented that everyone is looking for free parking. Mitchell suggested 8 or 10 hour meters for the demand at night. Shrum mentioned the need for after Homecoming cleanup bags and Matthews would provide. Shrum has 50 – 75 people meeting to clean up on Nov 1 at underpass at 11 am. Hueber has people to assist as well. All couches and fuel materials will be removed prior to Homecoming. Landrith commented that CU is directing people to Farrand Field.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Hill Flea Event Update: Griffith thanked UHNA for the pumpkin station and voiced that the Flea Market lot may be impacting traffic. Griffith continued that this weekend will be the last and will be looking for grant money for next year. Issues with electricity were voiced. The New Age event at the Fox was discussed. Mitchell would like to see a night event on the Hill at the start of school with a carnival or attraction for those under 21 years of age to give them something to do.

Griffith was concerned on how the event would be funded.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Nuisance Abatement and Noise Issues on the Hill: Weideman discussed the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance. In 2002, the ordinance was written that if there were two or more violations on your property, it would be considered a nuisance. A letter is created, given to the residence, landlord and owner. In 2007, some additional language was adopted that 2 in 12 months or 3 in 24 months would have consequences and moved violation timing to reflect the CU calendar. A settlement meeting is arranged to discuss the issues. Self reporting rule by property owner would not be counted against nuisance abatement. Nuisance abatement applies everywhere but liquor establishments, they are handled by the liquor board for response. Monitoring helps and Shrum questioned how many times court has been involved and Weideman replied, none. Severity of the violation is examined and numerous tools are at their disposal. Eviction process and impact was discussed. Mitchell commented that police department gives tickets to tenants and they go thru Restorative Justice, it has been very effective. Stoyva concurred. Weideman commented on the process, who is responsible, who is notified. Twenty-five letters a year are sent on average. Stoyva remarked that since the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance, neighbors have recourse. Off campus student services provides information regarding city codes, ordinances and violations. The impact to the neighbor is always taken into account. Weideman complimented RJ’s work and program.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Matters from the Commissioners: Mitchell mentioned the potential for a local sanitation district, politics include that if they go to council, many districts would want it, consider taxing at a graduated method with the commercial area in the center and fan out, each block with one central compactor. District similar to CAGID. Stoyva agreed. Mitchell continued that if there were a central packer on each block, it would be paid by the residences. Shrum suggested Mitchell to create a proposal. Shrum and Matthews discussed parking issues. Shrum mentioned an initial consideration for medical marijuana dispensary on the Hill. Dahl commented that the dispensaries are lucrative and could see them displacing other businesses. Shrum likened the dispensaries to Starbucks and to examine ways to control expansive growth. Matthews commented that it is a zoning issue like liquor stores and porn shops. Mitchell voiced a drop of the market on marijuana with so many dispensaries but feels the price would go down dramatically and drastically. Shrum commented that they may become a boom and bust business. Motion to ask council to limit the marijuana dispensaries was discussed by the commissioners. Matthews voiced that a letter from the Board to Council appropriate. Griffith commented on the historical land marking of the Hill.

Motion to City Council: UHCAMC has great concern with the potential establishment of marijuana dispensaries in current vacant spaces. We recommend that Council consider the probability of economic imbalance that might be created. Mitchell motioned for approval. Griffith seconded. All approved.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Matters from the Staff: Landrith commented on the meeting at the Sink regarding the Greening of the Hill to streamline the addition of new members and fewer requirements for membership. The consensus was to move forward to tell businesses that if they are PACE certified they would be Greening of the Hill certified with the exception of restaurant using Styrofoam and composting would be a requirement. Additionally, to be considered, you will need to be an active member and attend a certain number of meetings. Landrith is trying to get motivation for the Excel Energy’s “Lights Out Lunch” program with participating restaurants able to take advantage of the media coverage for the event. Landrith CU homecoming and greening of the hill partnership, presented an advertisement, game at 11:30 am for Homecoming, concert Friday at 8:30 pm with Tapes and Tapes. Tickets are free but must be obtained before the concert.

Meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

MOTION: Dahl motioned to approve the September 16 and September 30, 2009 meeting minutes. Mitchell seconded. Approved unanimously.

MOTION: Mitchell motioned to approve the UHCAMC motion to City Council. Griffith seconded the motion and the motion was approved 4 – 0.

November 16, 2009	FUTURE MEETINGS: Council Chambers 9:00 a.m.	Regular Meeting
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APPROVED BY: UNIVERSITY HILL COMMERCIAL AREA

MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Attest:
Ruth Weiss, Secretary

William Shrum, Chair