CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE, INC. BOARD MEETING
OUTLOOK CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 15, 2010
10:00 a.m.

A **Regular Meeting** of the Neighborhood Pride Inc. Committee, City of Peoria, Arizona, was convened at 9875 N. 85th Avenue in open and public session at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cliff Leatherwood, Mark Scaife, Wendy Wood

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Carin Imig, Neighborhood and Revitalization Administrator, Millie Peterson, Neighborhood Programs Coordinator, and Colleen Grimm, Neighborhood Improvement Specialist, Debbie Stone-Muller, Administrative Assistant, T.J. Myres, Volunteer

AUDIENCE: None

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes from the May 11, 2009 meeting were approved.

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REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

2R RECAP OF PAST PROJECTS

Staff provided highlights of completed projects from May 2009 – March 2010. Projects included Roosevelt Street, Phase I, Cortez Street, Phase I, Roosevelt Street, Phase II, Cortez Street, Phase II, and Beryl Avenue.

Board Action: No Action

3R RECOMMENDATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT LOCATIONS

Staff recommended the next project location to be the neighborhood between 83rd Avenue and 85th Avenue from Butler to Las Palmaritas. Colleen Grimm, Neighborhood Improvement Specialist, explained that there would be a total of ten projects done in the neighborhood; the first project would begin October 2010. Millie Peterson, Neighborhood Programs Coordinator, stated that the proposed neighborhood was identified by the Interdepartmental Neighborhood Pride Program Team that was formed earlier in the year. Ms. Peterson explained that the team consists of various city employees whose primary role is to make recommendations on future project locations.

Board Member Leatherwood suggested that a member from the committee be present at future Interdepartmental Neighborhood Pride Program Team meetings.

Carin Imig, Neighborhood and Revitalization Administrator, informed the committee that staff is working with Code Compliance in order to get legal authority to clean-up foreclosed/abandoned properties located in project areas.

Board Action: Board Member Woods moved to approve the neighborhood project locations for fiscal year 2011-2012. The motion was seconded by Board Member Scaife and, upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

4R BOARD MEMBER ROLE

A discussion took place regarding board members securing donations for the program. Board Member Leatherwood suggested the possibility of board members selling annual corporate sponsorships to Peoria businesses. T.J. Myres, volunteer, suggested utilizing volunteer groups in addition to board members to sell sponsorships. Staff will meet with the city's legal department to discuss rules and allowances of selling sponsorships. Staff will notify board members of the outcome from that discussion.

Board Members Leatherwood and Scaife stated that they would like the program to be more active in the community; they suggested that staff work with local newspapers and Channel 11 to obtain news coverage.

Board Action: No Action

4R FOLLOW-UP POLICY

Staff presented the recently implemented follow-up policy which includes follow-up photos, notice of code compliance inspections, and thank you notes to homeowners who have maintained their home. Mr. Myres suggested asking local businesses for gift cards, as part of sponsorship program, to give to homeowners who have maintained their property.

STAFF REPORT

Ms. Grimm presented fiscal year 2010 project accomplishments which included number of homes enhanced, number of volunteers utilized, and value of donated materials and labor.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Cliff Leatherwood, Chairman

Date Signed