

## January 30, 2007—p.m. Meeting

### What is your Neighborhood?

- 10th Street—South
- Downtown—West
- 6th and 8th Streets
- Within walking distances
  - I-229—East

### Neighborhood Issues?

- Utilities—overhead versus underground
- Cleanup
- Abandoned houses
  - Not secured
  - Not maintained
- Abandoned vehicles
- Weeds in alleys and yards
- Animals running loose
- Barking dogs
- Alleys—resurface or new surfacing needed
- Second and Highland—gravel surface
- Roadway standards
- Potholes
- Vehicle parking within alleys, streets—beer truck
- Speeding
- Traffic flows through neighborhood
- Need better street lighting—crime prevention
- Sidewalks
- Tree trimming
- Neighborhood cleanup needed
- Parked vehicles impede snow removal, traffic flow
- More strict code enforcement of properties (rentals)
- Maintain exteriors
- Nonenforcement—weeds, shingles
- Building/housing repairs
- Enforce existing codes
- Property standards for residential and commercial (same)
- Motor vehicle sales (legal or illegal?)
- Shovel sidewalks—residential and commercial be the same
  - Check Whittier Park
  - Check Meldrum Park
- Park safety issues
- How parks are used?
- Outsiders using parks
  - Check Heritage Park

- Loitering
  - 6th and Highland Park
- Immigrants/diversity
- Falls Park —West
- Weber Avenue—cleanup
  - Check junk cars
  - Check commercial uses
  - Check transition area

#### What next?

- Neighborhood trust and pride
- Neighborhood investment programs?
  - TIFF
  - Financial plans/programs
  - Tax abatement
  - Cleanup, lighting, tree trimming
  - Projects NICE/KEEP
- Need City help first before investments back into neighborhood
- Code enforcement programs/process
- Collective efforts and voices, not just one

#### Stable Residents

- 1 < 1 year
- 5 5-10
- 5 10-15
- 5 15-20
- 15 > 25 years
- 1 40 years

#### What's Good About the Neighborhood?

- Know neighbors
- Proximity
- Caring neighbors
- Get younger families/individuals into neighborhood
- Support structure good
  - Parks, schools, churches, businesses, clinics
- Grocery store
- Older architecture of residences
- Historic preservation

#### Drake Springs

- Shovel walks
- Public pool—Outdoor pool versus indoor pool

- Combine ideas from all meetings and come back to neighborhood and report (30 days)
- Council check on changing ordinances and enforced?
- Educate neighbors on process

#### Next Step

- Summarize meetings
- Due process
  - Code enforcement
  - Housing

#### Ideas to move forward.

- List of resources/agencies available to help
- Neighborhood Fair
  - Check agencies available to provide information
- Housing/code enforcement information/parks
  - Fines, due process
  - Changes to enforcement process, ordinance amendments
- Projects NICE/KEEP—When is this neighborhood scheduled?