

## Rosemont-Summit Neighborhood Association

### Report to the City Council

March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009

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The RSNA meeting attendance at our every other month meeting varies by issue. Nominally we have a dozen or so in attendance. We have a fairly good email list. We have no burning issues right now.

We focus on community, relationship, education, and communication ... **not** protocol, big stick politics, or using our NA charter as a political stick.

- 2008 Goals and Accomplishments
  - Held first NA barbeque ... 150 or so attended – great success
  - Organized RSNA clean up day in October
  - One real “hot potato” issue – Pimlico trail
  - Beautification ... Summit @ Pimlico, Shannon @ Rosemont, Horton @ Santa Anita
  - Refresh our NA Board and build momentum at bi-monthly meetings – we have a steady and slowly growing attendance of active participants in our meetings
- 2009 Goals and Plans
  - We are working on goals
    - Improving our outreach and citizen involvement is a common theme
    - not much interest in Neighborhood Plan
    - Strong interest in sidewalks and safe paths along Rosemont, Summit and Skyline
  - Expand the activity to include other interested parties
  - No burning issues on the horizon ... (LDS construction to start)
  - Beautification is ongoing

#### Comments to the City Council & City Staff

- *Kirsten is awesome – communicator, support, info & follow up*
- Would like to see the NA presidents and the CC meeting and working together regularly.
  - Purpose statement
  - Training
  - Coordinating
  - Communicating
  - Consistent bylaws allowing for flexibility
- Our voice on behalf of the neighborhoods needs to be given more time than an average citizen. But it goes both ways ... In return we need to represent the entire neighborhood, not simply a majority or the results of a vote one evening. Pre-app meeting involvement is a great model.
  - **It's not just about passing motions or who shows up at any given meeting.**
- Most citizens don't know what a NA is and what they do.
  - Enough NA press is negative to scare folks away.
- Comments
  - I think folk's eyebrows are rising about the cost of all gov't services ... where are our road repairs?
  - Dog licenses ... utility bills or credit cards ... and will we have to reenter data every year
  - WL citywide clean up ... March was too early last year.