

# Neighborhood Advisory Committee to Denver Botanic Gardens (NAC) Meeting Minutes

<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Quarterly Meeting
<b>DATE, TIME, LOCATION</b>	November 5, 2012 5:30pm Waring House
<b>FACILITATORS</b>	Art Blomberg – NAC Co-Chair
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Dean Bartell, NAC Secretary/Treasurer
<b>NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES</b>	<b>Mayoral Neighborhood Trustees:</b> Charles Woolley, Roger Armstrong, Christine Grameyer <b>Morgans:</b> Art Blomberg, Jay Kenney <b>CHUN:</b> Debra Adams <b>East Cheesman:</b> Timothy Hepp, Steve Lang, Dean Bartell <b>7<sup>th</sup> Ave:</b> Dan Braun, Svein Reichborn-Kjennerud <b>Community Gardeners:</b> John Augenblick <b>Congress Park:</b> Myles Tengalin <b>Denver City Council District 10:</b> Nora Kimball, City Council – District 10
<b>DBG ATTENDEES</b>	Brian Vogt, CEO Sarada Krishnan, Director of Horticulture
<b>OTHER ATTENDEES</b>	None

## AGENDA

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm and a quorum was present.

### Old Business

**March 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes:** Minutes were approved subject to change that there was one attendee from CHUN at the meeting.

### New Business

#### 1) Trustees Report (Roger Armstrong):

- No major business events to report affecting the NAC

#### 2) DBG Update (Brian Vogt):

- Attendance was up by 30,000 visitors
- Focus has been on the Bonsai Garden and Pavilion and paying off the remaining balance.
- **Projects to Fund:**
  - \$9M in core internal projects remaining
  - \$22M would be required for Library
  - The City gave \$6.6M towards internal projects
- **11<sup>th</sup> & Gaylord Project**
  - Developer asked about using “pocket park” for staging. Brian wanted to check with NAC prior to giving an answer
  - East Cheesman will survey neighbors and provide feedback
  - Motion passed to for NAC to support the desire of East Cheesman. ECNA to meet with developer.

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- **Outside Café**
    - DBG meeting with architects and designers
    - Will include adding restrooms
    - Café will only be open during scheduled DBG hours.
  - **North area noise** – Dean Bartell asked that the use of heavy equipment for loading trash be managed and consideration that it not be used before and after “normal” hours of operation so not to disturb residents. DBG agreed to be educate the workers.
  - **Tree Damage** – \$30K in damage occurred during the recent storm.
  - **Josephine Street / Denver Water Project:**
    - Late start on the project

### 3) Community Gardens (John Augenblick)

- Perceived by Gardeners to be a successful year
- Special thanks to Brianne who helped make it a smooth year
- Neighborhood Committee met monthly – No complaints
- DBG Security phone number was provided to neighbors – One call all season
- Might look at extending hours again at some point in the future
- Denver Water pump station will begin operating
- DBG and Denver Water met to discuss improving foliage along site lines

### 4) NAC Report

- **CHUN** – Task force created to address the frequent impact (noise/traffic/parking) of park events and road races on neighborhoods. CHUN will become a focal point for obtaining information in advance and providing to DBG.
- **Website** – Please review and provide any feedback. NAC name list will be included with minimal information
- **Election** – Motion was passed to re-elect all current officers (Jim Hannifin / Art Blomberg / Dean Bartell). Debra Adams asked that a “thanks” to the officers be included in the minutes on behalf of the NAC.
- **2013 Meeting Dates:** March 4<sup>th</sup> / July 9<sup>th</sup> / November 4<sup>th</sup>
- **Neighborhood Trustees (Art/Brian):**
  - Terms will end in Nov 2013 (1 Person) and Nov 2014 (3 people)
  - DBG will change to a staggered term expiration going forward

**Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm**

**Next Meeting: March 4, 2013 @ 5:30pm - Waring House**

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