

IHNA Board Meeting Summary

Date: September 4, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Attendees: Gordon, Nancy, Melissa, Edward, KC, Katie, Ceci, Ana, and John (prepared this summary)

1. Welcome and Agenda Approval

The agenda was approved without changes.

2. Updates & Neighbor Concerns

a. ATN / Comprehensive Plan Update (Ceci)

Ceci reported that Mayor Dailey initially moved to extend work on the comprehensive plan by another year, focusing on neighborhood classification changes. The City Commission agreed.

However, at a subsequent meeting in August, the Mayor proposed removing all neighborhood-related changes and moving forward with a vote on the rest of the plan.

ATN voted in support of this approach but encourages neighborhoods to continue advocating on other aspects of the plan.

ATN also discussed the newly passed Senate Bill 180 and voted to urge the City to join other city and county lawsuits challenging the bill.

b. Koucky Park Update (John / Gordon)

John will follow up with Connie for an update on the planting plan before the next meeting.

Gordon met with Tom Ballantine, who confirmed that the park's recent work followed standard City maintenance procedures.

Nancy raised concerns about erosion of the creek behind her property. The board recommended she contact the City again.

c. Chowkeebin Project Update (John)

Affected homeowners were given the opportunity to preserve their palm trees but declined.

d. New Items from Neighbors

Walter Lidell has agreed to facilitate neighborhood safety workshops, with the first planned for October. The initial focus will be pedestrian and driver safety.

3. Board Concerns

a. Public Communication re: Magnolia Project Phase 2 Completion (Gordon)

Gordon suggested asking the City or Blueprint if any celebration is planned to mark the opening of Magnolia.

John offered to contact the project manager to ask about this and whether measures could be taken to help direct traffic away from the neighborhood.

b. Invitation to David O'Keefe

Gordon extended an invitation to David O'Keefe to attend a future meeting. Jack Porter has also expressed interest in attending.

c. General Meeting Planning

The board set the next general meeting for Sunday, November 9 at 4:30 PM, followed by a potluck (weather permitting).

Ana will present information about the Resilience Committee and share results from her survey.

4. Upcoming Events

a. Halloween Party – October 25

Volunteers are needed to help organize the party.

b. Newsletter Distribution – Early/Mid October

The newsletter is currently in editing and on track for timely distribution.

5. Other Issues

The next board meeting will be held Thursday, October 2, in person at Little Italy, per Gordon's suggestion. Everyone agreed to the location.