



June 2016

Letter from the Chair

Several events since our last meeting have showcased the good stuff happening in our neighborhood. The Austin chapter of the American Institute of Architects and Imagine Austin hosted an event on “missing middle” housing — bigger than a single-family home but smaller than an apartment complex — and a fascinating walking tour. The Clarksville Community Development Corporation threw a history scavenger hunt for kids to learn about ancient cisterns, box spring fences, and historic houses such as the Haskell House. I came away from that event marveling at how much history there is to celebrate, and humbled by how bad I am at scavenger hunts. And then a couple of weeks ago some very talented artists showed their work to the public on the West Austin Studio Tour.

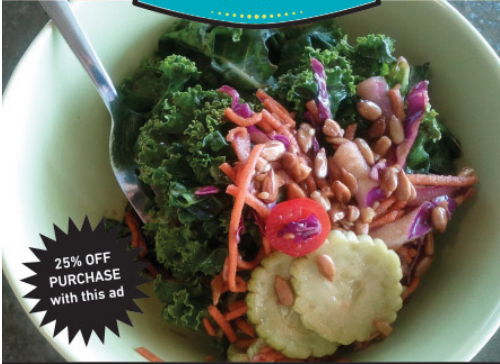
One very cool idea Preservation Austin has been discussing is the possibility of a local investor group for historic properties. While the idea is only in the brainstorming phase, if you are interested, please let me know.

At the same time we celebrate our community’s history, big plans are underway for the future. The Parks & Recreation Department continues to draw up plans for Lamar Beach. At our general membership meeting next week, Charles Mabry from the City will update us on those plans and take your questions and comments. We’ll also hear more about the upcoming Mathews 100-year birthday bash, hopefully to be memorialized with a time capsule and sculpture.

Enjoy the summer, and I hope to see you out enjoying the parks or making a big splash at the pool!

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June 2016 Membership Meeting

Tuesday, June 7, 2016 - 6:45pm to 9:00pm

Mathews School Cafeteria (906 West Lynn at West 9th)

- I. Registration and Social Gathering (6:45 – 7:00)
- II. Call to Order – Scott Marks (7:00)
- III. Approval of Minutes (7:05)
- IV. Steering Committee Elections (7:05 – 7:10)
 - Derek Victory
 - Sean Williams
- V. Treasurers Report (7:10-7:15)
- VI. Lamar Beach Planning Presentation by City of Austin Parks & Recreation Department
 - Charles Mabry (7:15 – 7:45)
- VII. One Two East - Fred Lewis (7:45 - 8:00)
- VIII. Committee Reports (8:00 - 8:30)
 - A. Zoning - Maureen Matteaur
 - B. Parks and Greenspaces - Joey Kazzoun/Marjorie Moore
 - C. Historic Preservation - Shawn Shillington
 - D. Public Safety and Transportation - Mike Sullivan
 - E. Affordable Housing - Scott Marks
 - F. Membership - George Warmingham
 - G. Community Events - Christy Butler
- IX. Administrative and Organization Issues
- X. Other Business and Announcements
- XI. Adjourn

NOTE: Votes may be taken on any scheduled agenda items.



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Mathews 100th Birthday

Save the Date for the Party: Friday, September 23, 2016

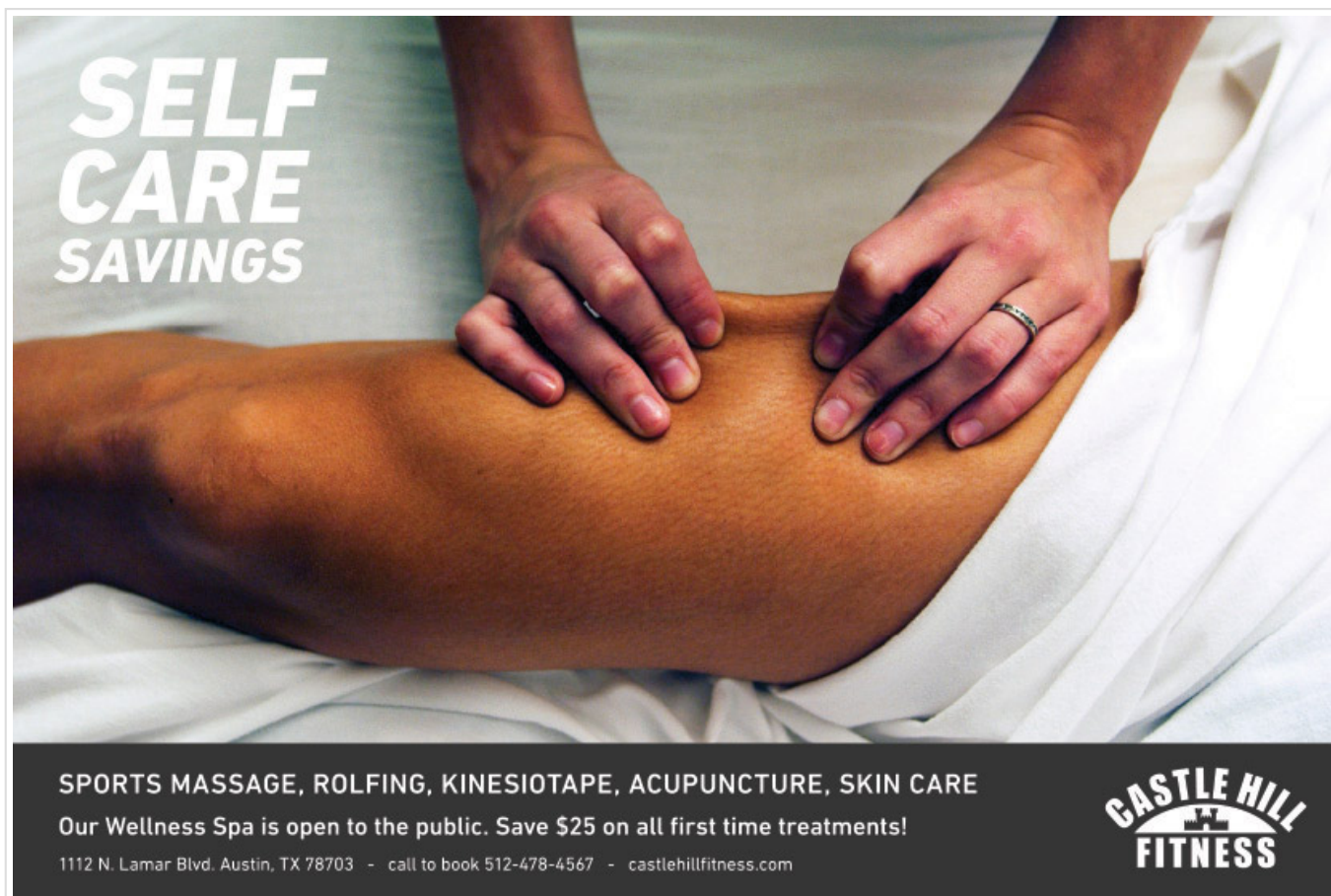
All are welcome to celebrate our Downtown, One of a Kind, Award Winning, Nationally Recognized, International PUBLIC Elementary School. Please tell your friends to join us for CAKE! And also a whimsical and fun "History of Mathews" presentation by current Mathews Elementary students. No "stuffy" speeches allowed!



Organizers will attend the OWANA meeting on June 7 to report on the progress of the Time Capsule project. OWANA voted to give \$5000 that will pay for the concrete base for a statue and for the steel time capsule box. The base will be 17 inches tall and the design is nearly complete.

A 4 foot tall statue is part of the time capsule installation. A Kickstarter or GoFundMe campaign to raise \$35,000 for the cast bronze statue will be launched soon.

For more information or to volunteer, check out the Mathews Elementary Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/mathews360/>).

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Zoning Report

May 2016

New Cases

1315 W. 9th Street: Case #NRD-2016-0035 - Proposed demolition permit. Current house is zoned MF and is contributing to the Old West Line National Register District. Postponed at the May 23 Historic Landmark Commission (HLC).

1712 W. 11th Street: Case #NRD-2016-0036 - Proposed Demolition permit. CCDC is not opposin this demo, as it does not contribute to the Clarksville NRHD.

910 Baylor Street: Case #NRD-2016-0033 — Proposed demolition permit. A non-contributing property to the Old West Line NRHD. Landmark commission voted to release permit as soon as plans are submitted for the property.

1701 Waterston Avenue: No Case # — Proposed new construction. Scheduled for the June HLC meeting.

Ongoing Cases

1303 Lorrain Street: Case #NRD-2016-0034 — Proposed demolition for existing house in order to build new single-family house. HLC released demo permit and approved new plans.

611 West Lynn: Case #NRD-2015-0112 - Proposed demolition permit. Postponed at the applicant's request until June 2016 HLC meeting. OWANA opposes demolition. Staff is recommending historic zoning.

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812 Theresa: Case #NRD-2015-0135 – Proposed demolition permit. Owner met with the Zoning Committee and heard objections to demolition of the house and suggestions for applying for a partial demo. Case was heard at the April HLC, where owner's representatives submitted documentation stating that the house was beyond repair. Commission voted to postpone the case until June HLC meeting. Owner has hired an attorney to pursue the demo permit.

716 Patterson: Case #NRD-2016-145208 – Remodel and addition. Approved at May HLC hearing.

Closed Cases

608 Baylor Street: Case #NRD-2016-000020 – A variance is requested to reduce side yard setback in order to install two rainwater collection tanks. Board of Adjustment voted against the variance on March 7.

704 Oakland: Case #NRD-2015-0096 – Proposed remodel to convert attic to living space with rear and side additions. Owner met with zoning committee on September 20, 2015 and there were no objections. Case was passed upon consent at the October 26 HLC meeting.

806 Baylor: Case #NRD-2015-121233 – Proposed remodel and restoration. Applicant received approval by HLC for Certificate of Appropriateness at Feb. 22 meeting. Building Permits have been issued.

710 Augusta: Case #NRD-2015-0750668 – Zoning Change. In previous case OWANA supported change of zoning from SF3 to SF4. Applicant requested return to SF3 zoning also approved by OWANA. Case has been recommended for approval by city staff.


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Lamar Beach Status

The Lamar Beach Master Plan process started in August 2015. A draft master plan was scheduled to be released in March 2016, and a final master plan is anticipated in May 2016.

A public engagement phase will be incorporated into the master planning process:

- Meeting #1: Vision Workshop – Wednesday, October 14, 2015 ([View the Vision Workshop Presentation](#))

(<https://designworkshop.box.com/s/q678bofvsvbiuhikgq2bilmkhh6firork>)

- Meeting #2: Alternatives Workshop – Tuesday, December 15, 2015 ([Watch the webinar](#))

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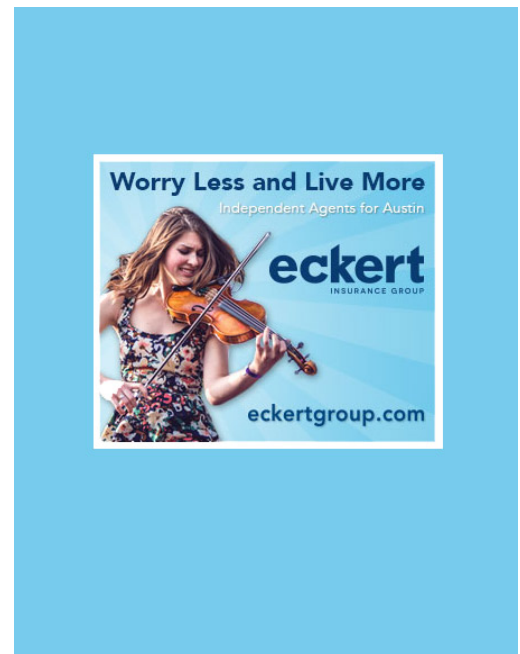
- Meeting #3: Recommendations Workshop –
Wednesday, January 27, 2015 ([Watch the webinar](https://designworkshop.box.com/s/m33uovhpc86j5gpykirbn6dfyuresieb)
(<https://designworkshop.box.com/s/m33uovhpc86j5gpykirbn6dfyuresieb>))

The feedback survey results from each meeting and more information on the master plan process can be found on the [City's Lamar Beach page](https://austintexas.gov/departments/lamar-beach-master-plan)
(<https://austintexas.gov/departments/lamar-beach-master-plan>).



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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov
Residential memberships	274	279	275	273							
Business memberships	31	32	32	32							
Total memberships											
percent change from previous month	305 (0)	311 (+2)	307 (-1)	305 (-1)							

Keep reminding your neighbors and the local businesses you frequent to join OWANA. Send them to www.owana.org/#join (<http://www.owana.org/#join>) where residents can join online and business can download an application form.

Thanks for your continued support and participation.

George Warmingham

Membership Chair

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Keep in touch with your neighbors by joining the Yahoo discussion group moderated by OWANA.

If you would like to join please go to groups.yahoo.com/group/owana/ (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/owana/>), click "Join This Group!" and follow the instructions.

If you have any difficulties, please contact George Warmingham at oldwestaustin@gmail.com (<mailto:oldwestaustin@gmail.com>).

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