

Highlands Neighborhood Association

2023 Annual Meeting
November 8, 2023

Agenda

- Presentation by City Staff on New Zoning Code
- State of the Neighborhood
 - What is a “neighborhood association”?
 - Issues for discussion
 - Traffic/Safety committee update
- Treasurer’s Report
- Officer Elections


What is a “neighborhood association”?

- Neighborhood Associations are affiliated with the City of Boise through its planning process
- Neighborhood Associations interface with the City on issues pertaining to neighborhood planning, development and improvement
- NAs also provide a vehicle to voice concerns to the City as a consolidated voice, with the goal of making/planning a better neighborhood
- NAs apply for Boise City Neighborhood Reinvestment Grants for neighborhood improvements, Celebration Grants for the annual picnic, and Administrative Grants for administrative expenses such as signage, Zoom, venue rental, and mailings
- According to our articles of association, the purposes of the HNA are, through the executive committee, to “facilitate dissemination of information to its members, and to consider and deal with problems and issues of the membership of the Association”

What is a “neighborhood association”?

- Planning and development frequently contacts NAs with regard to development applications in the neighborhood
- We live in the Highlands Neighborhood association, which is essentially the traditional “Highlands”, Hackberry, Hackberry North, El Pelar, Highlands Cove and multi-family housing units on Bogus Basin Road and HVD.
- For more information, please refer to the Highlands Neighborhood Plan posted on our website.

<https://highlandsneighborhood.weebly.com/>



The logo is a hexagonal shape with a thin black border. Inside the hexagon, the text "SINCE 1955" is at the top, "Highlands" is in a large, black, cursive font in the center, and "NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION" is at the bottom.

HOME NEWS CONTACT US RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

Love where you live.

Beautiful views. Minutes to downtown.
Ridge to Rivers. Bogus Basin.
Nearby restaurants, coffeehouses and shopping.
A network of kind and helpful neighbors.

THE HIGHLANDS HAS IT ALL.

SIGN UP ON NEXTDOOR GET EMAIL UPDATES



City of Boise Registered Neighborhood Associations Highlands

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-  Schools
-  Parks
-  Highlands Neighborhood Association
-  Boise Area of Impact Outline

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Issues for Discussion

- Picnic
- HVD speed mitigation
- Other areas of concern?

Picnic

- We had a wonderful picnic the first day of school August 18
- HNA provided food and drinks
- Great turnout – the new school principal and Jimmy Hallyburton met neighbors
- Need a picnic committee going forward
- Due to heat, may need to consider moving to September

HVD Speed Mitigation

- Essentially tabled until we can get the pilot study on the ACHD Integrated Five-Year Work Plan (IFYWP)
- Evidence of speeding shown in ACHD/Precision traffic calming report issued July 20, 2022
- Although speeding along HVD proven in report, speed bumps are unavailable due to necessary access for emergency vehicles

Traffic/Safety committee update

Highlands Neighborhood Association (HNA)

Traffic Safety Committee

November 14, 2017

Background and Charter

The HNA Traffic Safety Committee is a standing committee established by the HNA Executive Committee in 2017 to look out for the safety of all residents related to traffic issues: motor vehicles, pedestrians, bikers, etc. The geographic scope of this committee is the City of Boise's definition of the Highlands which encompasses the Nextdoor neighborhoods of: Highlands, El Pelar, and Highlands Hackberry on Torridon.

This committee will act as a clearing house for all resident traffic concerns. Collecting inputs and comments, identifying and prioritizing issues to work on, gathering comments and data, and establishing workplans to address issues as needed. They are chartered with preparing, for review by the Executive Team, any Highlands wide input and comments to area traffic plans – such as with ACHD and the City of Boise. They should also be continually aware of Highlands-centric traffic topics in these organizations, establish linkages with them, understand and fit into their planning calendars, etc. This committee should prepare regular communications to Highlands residents on Traffic Safety related topics, including but not limited to, a presentation at the HNA Annual Meeting. This committee will exist until a future Executive Committee disbands it.

This committee is expected to hold regular meetings sufficient to deliver upon their charter, though no less than twice per year. All meetings will be open to all Highlands residents per our neighborhood Bylaws. However, participation at the meetings and any votes will be limited to committee members. Meeting dates, times, and locations will be published beforehand by the Chairperson or other identified committee member.

Membership

The committee is open to any Highlands Resident. The Committee Chairperson is responsible for selecting committee members. The committee should have at least 5 members and ideally from geographically diverse parts of the neighborhood. The Committee Chair and the Executive Team will work to recruit committee members as needed and communicate to all residents the opportunity to sit on the committee. Executive Team members may sit on the Committee though they may not be Chairperson. Members are expected to attend at least half of all committee meetings annually; in person or virtually. Members may sit on the committee for a maximum of three years. They may resign their seat at any time by informing the committee chair of their decision. The chairperson may also remove someone from the committee though this should only be used in exceptional circumstances and typically related to a lack of attendance or participation. In such situations the

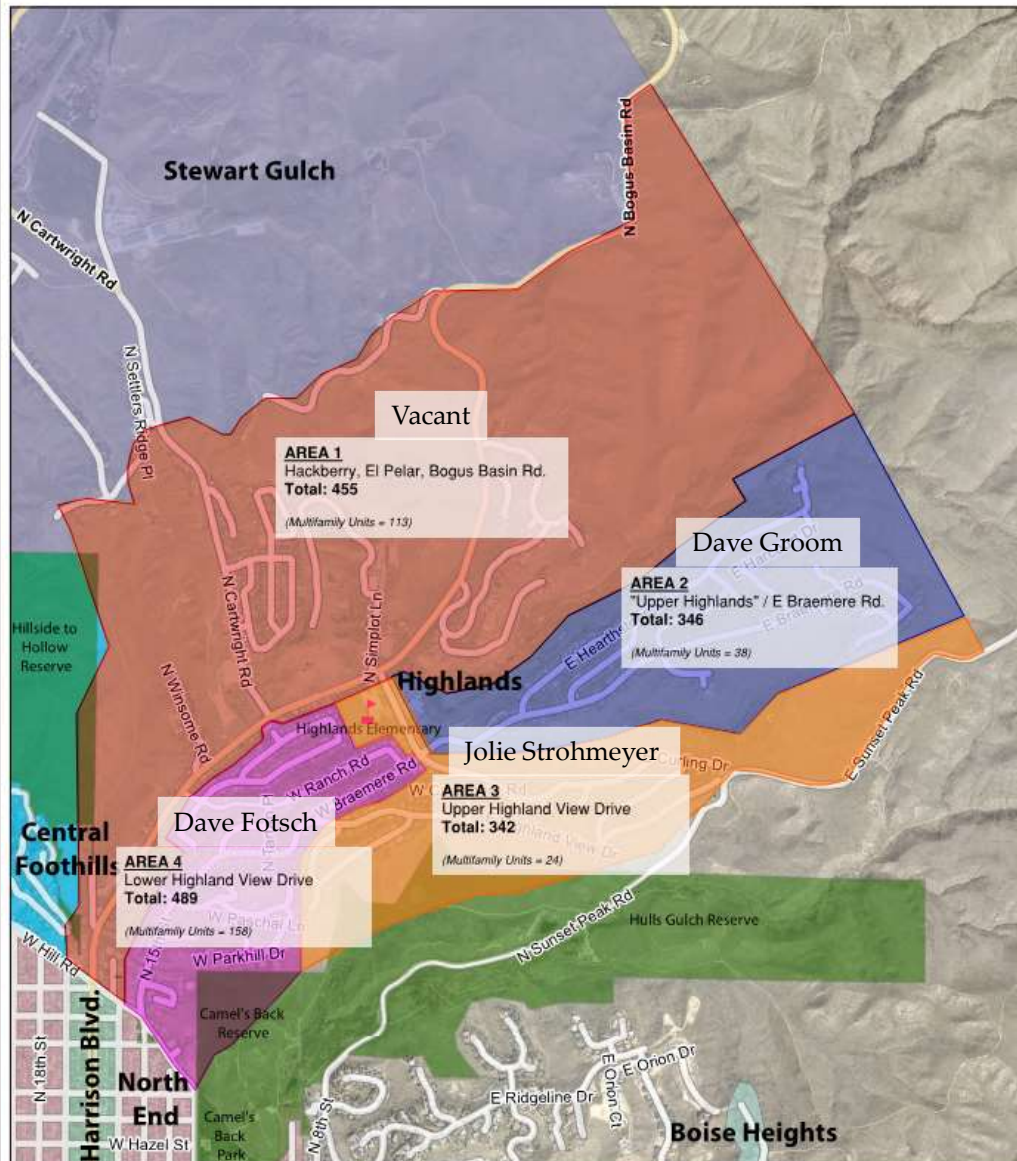
- Clearinghouse for all resident traffic concerns
- Reports to the Executive Committee
- Committee Chairman selects at least 5 members
- Meetings are open to any HNA resident (Bylaws Article 5C)



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Past Activities

- Meetings with City & ACHD
- Traffic priorities for ACHD IFYWP
- P&Z hearings for development
- Highlands View Drive Survey (July/August 2018)
 - Many voices on this subject from “do nothing” to “do everything”
 - 65% of homes (75 of 116) responded to survey (67% occupied homes)
 - Conclusions
 - > 65% support need for speed mitigation
 - > 56% support need for pedestrian safety mitigation
 - > 68% said candles were not effective
 - > 90% said they expected to be involved in future decision making

2023 Current Activities

- Traffic issues on HVD, E Braemere & Hearthstone
 - Speeding & two rollovers in 2020 (HVD and E Braemere)
 - Boise PD presence in the neighborhood to police speeding
 - HVD street walks with ACHD
 - Pilot study proposal
 - Highlands Cove mitigation funds are available
- Yard sign program (~100 signs available)
 - Contact Jeff Bradley



2023 Current Activities

- Other reminders
 - 1 committee vacancies (Area 1: Hackberry)
 - Send in your comments/concerns
 - Recommend also sending any comments to ACHD TellUs website (photos can be attached):
<http://achdidaho.org/AboutACHD/contactUs.aspx>

2024 Events

- Wildfire Preparedness Workshop



8th Street Fire (1996) - City of Boise
in the foreground

Wildfire season is coming! Each of us has an important role to play in protecting our property and community from wildfire.

The good news is that there are simple steps you can take to reduce the chances of a wildfire igniting your home or harming your family.

In spring 2024, Highlands Neighborhood Association will host an in-person Wildfire Preparedness Workshop in partnership with Highlands resident Dr. Brittany Brand, Professor and Director for the [Boise State Hazard and Climate Resilience Institute](#)

You will learn:

- wildfire risks in Boise's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)
- where fires have happened before
- what you can do to make your home, neighborhood, and family safer

Wildfire Preparedness Workshops

All attendees will be eligible for a FREE wildfire home assessment.

Workshop will be presented by:

Dr. Brittany Brand, Professor and Director for the [Boise State Hazard and Climate Resilience Institute](#)

This workshop was developed by the Boise State [Hazard and Climate Resilience Institute](#), [Idaho Firewise](#), the [Fire Adapted Communities Network](#), and the [City of Boise Fire Department](#).



DETAILS ABOUT THE DATE AND PLACE OF THE WORKSHOP WILL BE MAILED TO YOUR HOME, POSTED ON THE HIGHLANDS NEIGHBORHOOD WEBSITE AND ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

Highlands Neighborhood Association Treasurer's Report

11/02/2022 – 11/1/2023

Beginning Balance		\$1,946.36
Revenue		
Grant Income	\$1,626.00	
Picnic Donations	\$139.00	
Total Income		\$1,765.00
Expenses		
Office supplies (printing, signs)	\$350.74	
Zoom subscription	\$149.90	
Picnic food	\$380.67	
Picnic 2023 entertainment	\$600.00	
Picnic 2023 rentals (tables, chairs, trailer)	\$773.64	
Picnic 2023 portable toilet rental	\$200.00	
Annual meeting venue rental - 2022	\$0.00	
Annual meeting refreshments - 2022	\$64.00	
Annual meeting venue rental – 2023	\$0.00	
Annual meeting refreshments – 2023	\$65.20	
Total Expenses		-\$2,584.15
Ending Balance		\$1,127.21

*Zoom subscription, office supplies, and annual meeting refreshments were paid with Boise City Administration & Support Grant funds, per city guidelines. Picnic 2023 rental expenses and part of the entertainment fee were paid with Boise City Celebration Grant funds, per city guidelines. Picnic food and part of the entertainment fee were purchased with HNA funds.

In FY 2023 HNA was awarded a \$1,000 Celebration Grant from the city of Boise to fund the annual picnic. It was awarded a \$626 Administration & Support Grant to fund administrative costs. For FY 2024, HNA was recently awarded a \$1,000 Celebration Grant and a \$917 Administration & Support Grant to fund the picnic and administrative costs.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura White Barton, Treasurer