Uptown Fort Worth Neighborhood Association

August Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2025 - 6:00 P.M-7:00 P.M
FWBlack House- 1105 E Peach St.

1. **Call to Order**
   a. Introduction & Welcome New Neighbors
      i. **BOARD ACTION ITEM**: Approval of Minutes from July 2025 Meeting
         - Motion: Allen Cejka
         - 2nd: Tim LaPoint
      ii. Welcome to all of our city and local representatives present today & Introduce new residents
         - Carl
            - Showed an interest in PID and keeping the name as rock island
            - Issue about picking up trash on the street, suggested lights and cameras
         - Julio
            - Resident that grew up in the neighborhood. Interest in finding out how the neighborhood name changed to uptown

2. **Introductions**
   i. Mia Boatner - District Director City Councilwoman Elizabeth Beck, District 9
      a. Lighting takes up to 60 days for review, still waiting to hear from TPW
      b. The council was on a month break, they are back now
      c. A 7 yes, 4 no vote approved Trumps DEI initiatives for the city of Fort Worth
         i. Fort Worth suspends DEI initiatives to comply with Trump orders, creates small business program | KERA News
      d. Ms Beck was responsible for bringing a veteran liaison onboard for the city of Fort Worth
      e. There was an email about 811 Samuels sent to ask about what happened with the materials salvaged by the historical society
   ii. NPO - Officer Layton or Assigned FW Law Enforcement Officer
      a. Was asked to keep an eye on rushing cars
      b. Issue: Cars parking on nichols street. Officer Layton asked resident (Carl) to call the police if they block driveways, fire hydrants, or flow along the street
      c. Issue: cars not acknowledging the closed street and driving through the detour signage. Officer Layton confirmed that it's illegal to do that when there are workers
      d. Officer Layton mentioned that there are minimal dangerous or drug related crimes in the neighborhood
      e. Issue: resident mentioned people following them into apartment complex. Officer Layton mentioned that it's acceptable to stop right inside of the gate and let it close on the car behind you

f. Issue: resident mentioned vandalism being a topic in the area. Topics were discussed and Officer Layton said those topics are technically theft. It's helpful to have a witness, either a neighbor with a description or a video from a camera

iii. Code Compliance Officer - Tiwanna Wilson (reassigned to different district) /Officer Dana Carr- **Did not attend the meeting.**

iv. Animal Control Sr Code Compliance Officer - Animal Control/Ashley Hartsfield- **Did not attend the meeting.**

v. Open to last minute city or law enforcement officials who are able to make it to the meeting

3. Officer Reports

a. Liz Padilla
   i. Uptown FW Issue Tracker Report & New Issue Discussion
   ii. **MEMBER ACTION ITEM**: Motion to elect a local business of the month or go over criteria needed to be voted as business of the month- Tim LaPoint
      - It was mentioned that guidelines for a "business of the month" need to be established
   iii. **MEMBER ACTION ITEM**: Vote Khyla Jones as Secretary of the NA.
      - Discussion:
         - No discussion
      - Motion: Allen
      - 2nd: Khyla
      - All approved, no abstentions
   iv. **MEMBER ACTION ITEM**: Vote on the NA(Neighborhood Association) Logo
      - Discussion:
         - Some people still view the neighborhood as rock island
      - Motion: Khyla
      - 2nd: Evan
      - Yay: 8 Nay: 5 Abstain: 3
   v. We are still working on opening a bank account for the association.
   vi. School backpacks & Supplies - Rosemont NA (Neighborhood Association) has graciously offered to invite our Uptown FW kids to get a backpack and school supplies on August 9th. See Flyer for details. Please donate directly to Rosemont NA back to school cause if you can.
   vii. In need of a marketing and fundraising committee and events planning committee.
   viii. September 3, 2025 Meeting 6PM-7PM @ the FWBlack House-See Facebook Page for updates. Add your phone number and email to sign-in sheet for email updates.

b. Vice President – Omar Rosales
   i. Invite more people

c. Treasurer – Andy Nold-Not in attendance

4. Committee Reports

a. Tracey Marks - Safety Committee
b. Andy Nold - Historic Resources-Not in attendance
c. Dave Pannell - Real Estate Committee
   i. Will try to bring printouts of what's being sold in the neighborhood
d. Evan Escher - Infrastructure & Transportation Committee

i. Street Improvements starting in February 2027
ii. Resident asked about the bus service from free routes coming through the neighborhood. Evan mentioned that free transportation route doesn't come through the neighborhood and there was not enough ridership projected in the area for the route to pass in the neighborhood. On Demand ridership is not available for this area. Evan will provide information on the process to request attention to this a

e. Tim LaPoint - Business & Local Engagement Committee

5. Adjournment 7:00PM– Next Meeting: September 3, 2025 @ 6:00PM-7:00PM @ FWBlack House 1105 E Peach St.