



## The Washington Avenue District

## Superneighborhood Twenty Two

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### WASHINGTON AVENUE BUSINESS LEADER'S MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, April 16, 2009

MEETING TIME: 3:00PM

Meeting was presented by SuperNeighborhood 22 (SN22), represented by:

Tom Dornbusch – Vice President Superneighborhood 22 Council & Representative from Woodcrest

Paul Nicosia - Super Neighborhood 22 Council & President of Magnolia Grove Civic Club

Business Owners:

Rudy Castillo – Allied Waste Systems

Jeff Masanow – The Lot

Denise McCaskill – Maui Wowi

Kimberly Murphy – Amish Craftsman

Kathy Raia – Raia's Italian Market

Richard Taylor – Right Turn Marketing

Darren Van Delden – The Drake

Armando Silva – Meca

Carlos Castro – Reign Lounge

Tony Reidel – Hickory Hollow

Jaysen Clark – The Social

Sammy Patrenella – Patrenella's

Rene Zamore – Houston Restaurant Assoc.

Natalie Gundersen – Crew Health & fitness

Michael Paolucci - Ei8ht

Roberto Molina – Molina's

Mary Jane Buschlen – Watershed studios

Gary Mosely – Creek Group

Oniel Kurup – Reign Lounge

James Craig Furnishings

Agenda:

Greetings: by Paul Nicosia.

The Meeting was centered around a discussion of where do we go now. Some of the major topics discussed were;

- It is now time for this group to begin looking at setting up a committee structure so that The SN22 Business Leader's Committee can be run by the businesses. This will include identifying a Chair Person, Co-Chair, Secretary and any other officers that the group requires. A sub-committee to the "Catch the Wave" committee will also need to be identified in the next couple of months.
  - Two co-chairs volunteered to work with the SN22 group, these are:
    - Darren Van Delden from The Drake
    - Rene Zamore from Houston Restaurant Assoc.
  - We are still looking for a volunteer for the position of Secretary.
- Rene Zamore from the Houston Restaurant Assoc. gave a presentation about how the assoc. and the restaurants and bars are willing to work with the City of Houston, the neighborhoods and each other in regards to the issues of parking, safety, trash and noise. Rene went over a list of suggested points that are in the early stages of development, which will be taken to the City for discussion. From this discussion came a suggestion that a sub group of this committee could be the Washington Hospitality Group which would focus on the issues specific to them.
  - The suggestion that a map could be published that shows the neighborhoods where the restaurants and bars have parking areas and what the space counts are. This would show that the neighborhood concerns are being addressed.
- As requested by the group, below is a link to the SuperNeighborhood website with further links to the area neighborhoods.

Super Neighborhood 22 - [www.sn22.org](http://www.sn22.org)

A link has been included on this page which is for the businesses; this will be for announcements, meeting minutes and a list of contact information.
- Announcements: None



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- Next meeting to be on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm to 4:30pm at Hickory Hollow Restaurant located at 101 Heights Blvd. Don't forget to bring a friend or a neighboring business leader.
- Adjournment – 4:30pm

**For more information, please call Paul Nicosia, at (713) 628-5113 or send an email to [egnpdn@msn.com](mailto:egnpdn@msn.com)**

It is our goal to build a sense of community spirit and pride for our area. Please join us, Superneighborhood 22, the businesses and residents of our community, as we strive to foster a climate of success by building a stronger awareness of and identity for Historic Washington Avenue.

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MEETING**

Meeting was presented by SuperNeighbor  
Jane West – President, Superneighborhood  
Tom Dornbusch – Vice President Superneighborhood  
Patrick McIlvain - Superneighborhood  
Phyllis Thomason - Superneighborhood  
Paul Nicosia - Super neighborhood 22

Business Owners:

Natalie Gundersen – Crew Health & Fitness  
Dr. Tran – I-Vision

Denise McCaskill – Maui Wowi  
Kimberly Murphy – Amish Craftsman  
Kathy Rai – Rai's Italian Market  
Erik Ibarra – Rev Eco Shuttle