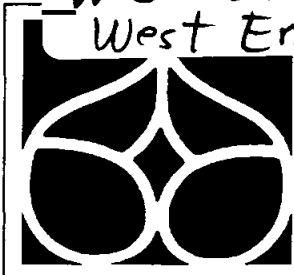


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West End Happenings

Petree Stockton Proposal

Several months ago, the *West Ender* reported that Mike Carr of Carr Properties, in conjunction with Tom Calloway and Thad Lewallen, were investigating the development of a professional office condominium in the 1000 block of West Fourth Street. This site is currently owned by Petree Stockton, a local law firm. Since the law firm no longer needs this site for office space, it has been placed on the market for sale. Thad Lewallen is representing Meridian Realty Group which is marketing the white house and adjacent vacant lot. If the house is not purchased within a reasonable amount of time, it will be demolished pending approval from the Historic District Commission and developed as professional offices. Tom Calloway from Calloway, Johnson, Moore and West is the architect involved in the project.

These gentlemen originally discussed their proposal before the Board in August and attended this month's meeting to update the Board on the development. Tom Calloway shared an architect's model of the proposed buildings. The proposal includes two rather than one building. Both buildings will maintain the same amount of setback as those of the surrounding homes. There will be a total of eight units of 1350 square feet each. Both buildings will have four units. Entries for the top floor offices will be from the front and the bottom offices will be entered from the side. Parking is projected to be in the back of the building from a Burke Street entrance. There will be three to four street parking spaces.

The structures will resemble present homes and offices along the street consistent with the historical nature of our community. Suggested building materials are stucco, brick (for the base) and wood siding. The roofs will be asphalt shingles. There is a possibility of using vinyl siding. Samples of building materials have been shown to the Historic District Commission. Effort is being made to preserve the magnolia tree that is in the center of the site with a 'mall effect' facilitating entrance.

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A request has been made that the developers consider moving a driveway next to the office buildings on West Fourth Street rather than have it beside a residential home. There is the possibility of losing the magnolia tree if the driveway is moved. No definite decisions have been made.

Mike Carr stressed that the occupants will be professional individuals that are seeking an upscale office site. He indicated that the occupants will own and manage the sites.

These developers have met with the Historic District Commission with their preliminary proposal. The Commission is asking that they delay the demolition of the white house on the site until all means of advertising the sale have been exhausted. Petree Stockton is offering the building free to anyone willing to move it (at the recipient's cost).

A motion was made that the West End Board not oppose the demolition so long as the site plans remained substantially in conformance with the representations made at this meeting. Sample plans are available for viewing if you contact any of the West End Association Board members.

These developers are to be commended for their efforts in respecting our neighborhood and the excellent presentations they have made to the Board. Their cooperation is appreciated.

Historic District Commission

Congratulations to West End resident, Trish Pegram for being elected to the Historic District Commission. Trish will represent a business owner/operator in an H or HO district on the Commission. Also elected to the Commission was William Watkins, current President of the Washington Park Neighborhood Association. Mr. Watkins will fill the architect's vacancy. The West End Board would like to thank both Trish and Stuart McCormick for applying for vacancies on the Historic District Commission.

Adult Video Store

Most of you are aware of the interest Charles Newsome expressed in opening an adult video store at 858 West Fourth

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Street. According to Mr. Newsome, the front portion of the site was projected to be family oriented video rentals with adult videos in the back side of the store. The idea of an adult video store operating in a residential area was not one that many residents and businesses supported. Neighbor Beverly "Luchie" Freeman actively petitioned local businesses and neighbors to oppose the opening of the store. Meanwhile, landlord William Tatum and Charles Newsome arrived at an agreement to rescind the lease that Mr. Newsome held.

Given the controversy surrounding the location of adult video establishments in a residential area, the West End Board members discussed the issue at length. The Board empowered President Jim Vaughan to represent the Board in opposing to the establishment of the Starr Maxx Video Warehouse (if this establishment considered locating within our neighborhood.)

Burke Street Merchants

West End Board members are interested in supporting the Burke Street merchants. Jim Vaughan agreed to compose a letter to the various businesses along Burke Street and surrounding areas to elicit participation in the West End Association. It was suggested to amend the membership application contained in the *West Ender* to offer business persons an opportunity to request a copy of the newsletter. The recommendation was to offer membership with advertising in the *West Ender* at a slightly higher rate than a regular business or corporate membership which does not include advertising in the newsletter. Please note the change on the membership application form located on the back page of the newsletter. Support for all of the businesses in our neighborhood will continue to build a strong community reflecting the diversity and character of a historical district.

Let's Dance, Santa!!

Here's the news you have been waiting to hear! **Mark Saturday, December 9** on your calendars as a time to celebrate the annual West End Association Christmas party!! This year the Women's Club has graciously agreed to allow the Christmas party to be held at their facility on West Fourth Street. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m. with music provided by the Behind the Times band. Drinks will be compliments of the Association. We are asking that you bring hors d'oeuvres to share.

Please be prepared to make a donation to the Women's Club at the door. All residents of West End are invited to attend. We hope to see you there! If you would like to assist in the preparations for the party, please contact Missie Vaughan, Billye Keith Jones or Nancy Dawson.

Construction at the YWCA

Lea Loftis contacted Jim Vaughan to investigate the Board's opinion on construction plans at the YWCA. In June, Florence Corpening from the YWCA attended a Board meeting to share projected construction plans. Since that time, Board members have not been informed of the renovations' progress. It was suggested that a 'Y' representative be invited to another Board meeting and share the current status of construction plans before recommendations from the Board are made.

Renovations

Many of you residing in West End have probably experienced some type of renovation to your abode since its purchase. Only a few years have passed since we have been designated a historic district with a Commission that supports retaining its character. Most of you have copies of the *West End Historic Overlay District Design Review Guidelines*. However, you may have new neighbors that are in the process of renovating their home and are not aware of the guidelines. As a good neighbor, you can suggest they review the *Guidelines*. You can even refer them to LeAnn Pegram, Project Planner for Historic Resources. Her number is (910)727-2087. Copies of the *Guidelines* can be purchased for \$8.00 at the Planning Board.

The Board suggested involving the local Realtors to support historical West End. We need to educate the Realtors and property owners as to the historical significance of these residences. If you have suggestions, please contact one of the Board members with your thoughts. Work with us to preserve this neighborhood. Your input is needed.

Gladstone Apartments

It has been a while since the Gladstone Apartment building has been discussed. Jim Vaughan has copies of the final site plans if anyone is interested in reviewing them.

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Limited Parking

Residents of Glade, Clover and Fifth Streets have approached the Board regarding limited street parking. It appears that workers from downtown are parking on Glade, Clover and Fifth Streets, then taking the trolley to work downtown. This severely restricts residents parking in front of their homes. Additionally, parking has become a problem in the area of Summit Street, Pilot View, and Sixth Street. It is becoming increasingly difficult to drive safely through these areas without fear of a collision. The Board requested Jim Vaughan to contact the City about the parking problems. He will ask the City to consider changing the parking signs to reduce this problem.

Light a Luminary Project

The Friends of the Ronald McDonald House hope you will join in the traditional community "Light a Luminary" project again this year. With the purchase of a luminary kit you will be remembering those individuals who find a "home away from home" at the Ronald McDonald House. Your purchase will also enable the Friends of the Ronald McDonald House continue to support these families in their time of need.

The cost of a luminary kit is only \$5.00. It includes six white paper bags, six candles, sand and instructions for assembly. The kit will light approximately 100 linear feet. Luminaries should be lit at dusk on December 24. In the event of rain, the alternate date to light the luminaries will be December 25. A second rain date is scheduled for December 31. If you are out of town, you could ask a neighbor to light your luminaries.

To assist you with the purchase of the luminary kits, our own Billye Keith Jones is there to help. Contact Billye Keith at 748-2057 to let her know the number of kits you wish to order. Checks can be made payable to "Light a Luminary". Another number to reach Billye Keith is 723-1771. Please request your kits no later than Friday, December 1.

Historic Homes

Given the length of this issue, there will not be a historic home listed this month. Look for it in upcoming issues of the *West Ender*.



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The next neighborhood association meeting!

There will be no official Board meeting in December. Our next Board meeting will occur **January 2, 1996** at Missie and Jim **Vaughan's home.** Please plan to attend this meeting at 7:30 p.m. at **814 West End Boulevard.** Your attendance is a good resolution for a New Year!

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