

**Notes Council Workshop with Committee
May 05, 2009**

McFee: Resources, partners. Grown infill potential. Knows importance of NWQ. Cultural importance highest in NWQ.

Beer: Concern with quality of living conditions. We responded to neighbors in the past and passed Demolition By Neglect Ordinance. Grow and develop.

Fordham: Would like to see an accurate assessment of structures. Pro-active board is needed I look to HBF to assume a leadership role. Let's see positive, quick results.

Sutton: I've worked hard in the NWQ. We can accomplish this goal. Clear up myths. Details to help us make decisions. What is significant? We need quantifiable data. Lots of families are elderly, 2nd homes and rentals. We need to know the neighborhood. Crime is a problem. Vacant/derelict houses are havens. Let's make it a vibrant part of the city. This council cares.

Mayor: You hear we care, resources are an issue. There are competitive grants. Make economic sense to have a vibrant downtown. Grow but grow the right way.

Dadson: I see patterns. I see the need for preservation, but there is a need for property rights as well. People need to be able to live there to be sustainable. What can we do? Regulations and policies that make sense for the neighborhood. Balance of preservation and regulation, pride, sense of community, property rights.

Fordham: Save what we can save – get rid of what needs to go.

Charlotte Brown: It will take thought, time, contemplation. Take a step back. Focus on the people. Keep young people in the neighborhood. Get people to come back.

Hefner: Glad everyone sees the potential. Essence of new urbanism. Zoning controls a neighborhood. Codes, too. Interesting, beautiful place. Historic preservation has not destroyed the NWQ.

Mayor: Contributing historic structures should be repaired. Document mass and scale for replacement. Outcome is a form based code.

Sutton: The neighborhood already has a code – Northwest Quadrant Design Principles – written by the neighborhood and it works. Look around at the new houses built since its adoption.

My pen died at this point..... Donna Alley