

**CHARLESTOWNE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**  
**GENERAL MEETING – JANUARY 10, 2011**

Molly Weir Hall – First (Scots) Presbyterian Church

Due to President Clark's continuing illness, Vice President Edward Hart conducted the January 10 Charlestowne Neighborhood Association general meeting, calling it to order at 5:38 p.m. He announced at the next general meeting will be held at the same location on March 14, 2011. Meeting announcement and committee reports will be published in the newsletter.

It is membership renewal time. Membership Chairperson, Tootie Dawson was set up at a table in the rear of the room to take memberships.

Vice President Hart then called on all current and rotating off board members to stand and be recognized as they names were called.

VP Hart then recognized Randall Pelzer who read a resolution proposal concerning the cruise ship industry and the redevelopment of Union Pier. A motion was made to accept the proposal and was seconded. An amendment motion was made to table the resolution to the March meeting. The motion to table was defeated. After a lengthily discussion pro and con, the motion was carried.

VP Hart then called on Rainey Evans as chair of the nominating committee. She recognized those rotating off of the board and introduced the six candidates selected by the nominations committee to serve 3 year terms. VP Hart then opened up the meeting for nominations from the floor. Mr. Will Cleveland offered an alternative slate. It was moved and seconded that the slates be named A & B for identification purposes. Nominations were closed. Both sets of ballots were handed out. The results will follow the program.

VP Hart then introduced Michael Mayer who is the director of civic design center joining us to discuss the proposed renovations to the Gaillard Auditorium. Mr. Mayer brought us up to date. He discussed the important use of this building in the pass and the need to create a new world class performance hall, a renovated exhibition hall – banquet type facility as well as exhibitions, as well a new city offices. Taking offices now scattered throughout the city and consolidating them in one primary location. He then showed pictures of the overview of the site explaining how all the elements fit together. The interior of the performance hall will have a horseshoe appearance with balconies all around at different levels. All models are on display at the Civic Design Center open 9 to 5 during the week. The budget is \$142,000,000. Of that, half, \$71,000,000 will be coming from private contributions. City Council has thoroughly investigated how this will be done and fully understands where that \$71,000,000 comes from. Mr. Mayer agreed to remain afterward to answer any questions. Mr. Hart thanked Mr. Mayer for his presentation.

VP Hart reminded old and new board members that there will be a meeting of that board immediately following the general meeting to elect officers. He then stated that "Slate B" received a majority of the votes. Newly elected Board members are: Mary Cutler, Steve Gates, Jeff Leath, Randy Pelzer, Cornelia Pelzer and Margot Rose.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Rainey Evans, Secretary