SEMINARY HILL ASSOCIATION, INC. Monthly Meeting 14 June 07

The meeting came to order at 7:40 p.m., President Joanne Lepanto presiding. Members present: Joe Fischer, Beth Aronson, Tom Kerester, Margaret Goodman, Carter Flemming, Jack Sullivan, and Bruce McCarthy, Recording Secretary. Other members attending included Jim and Kitty Ray, Dan Kelly, Arthur Peabody, Bill and Peni Roberts, Berna and Jemal Omidvar, and Charles Howe.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as amended. Ms. Lepanto expressed hope for a speedy recovery by Molly Danforth. Ms. Lepanto also announced that the Listserv will be removed from the SHA website because of a lack of use. Beth Aronson was welcomed as the new member-rep from Area 4. Seventy foot high lights at Fort Ward were reported as a possibility.

Capt. Hassan Aden, APD, reported continued police traffic enforcement in the Seminary Hill area, and said that "Photo Red" would be back by July 1st. There was a robbery at the Seminary Plaza Exxon station on May 19th. Sgt. Aden further reported on the successful apprehension the daytime burglar on June 7th, with the aid of police cars, helicopters, and dogs, and alert citizens. Carter Flemming reported lots of police activity at Bishop and Vicar Lanes during that period.

Treasurer Jack Sullivan reported 127 SHA renewals with the treasury now at \$24, 855.50.

Dr. Omidvar asserted that 508 Quaker Lane was still too big and not compatible with the neighborhood, although the proposed home is now down to 35 feet in height with 6500 sq/ft. The lot owner won't reduce it any further, so the matter goes to the Board of Architectural Review, according to Mr. Fischer. There was further discussion of Pickett/Pegram traffic calming, the 5325 Polk Ave.project, and the Landmark/Van Dorn plan, which won't be rolled out until Fall. There was a general discussion regarding Seminary Road; no action was taken. A Ms. Hamer is the new City Planning Director. Fifty Dollars was voted for SHA support of the 7/12/07 candidates forum at the Beatley Library. A new pre-school is planned for Temple Beth-El. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m., with a July traffic meeting possible at the call of the chair.

Bruce E. McCarthy, Recording Secretary