Congress Park Neighbors, Inc. Board Minutes August 20, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7p.m. by President Brent Hladky. Board members present were: President Brent, Vice President Tom Conis, Maggie Price, Jonah Bradley and Wendy Moraskie. Guest: Jamie Licko, PUMA consultant working with Mayor's office.

Meeting began with Jamie's explanation of her charge. She is a member of a team working with the Mayor's office to develop plans, with a goal of quick implementation, that will achieve business district improvement. The Bluebird district (defined as north and south sides of Colfax from York to Colorado) is one of the pilot areas for this project. She is proposing to do a survey and neighbors forum to find out what business owners and neighbors want and need for/from the business district for it to thrive. The implementation plan is due to the Mayors' office by mid-October, so CPN Board agreed that by early September, we will send an email blast with a link to the survey and arrange with City Park South and CHUN for a joint neighborhood assembly, to be held about mid-September.

Discussion of minutes, crime action, and membership were tabled until the next Board meeting.

**Newsletter:** Wendy reported that the newsletter was sent to the printer late last week and should be available for delivery early next week.

## **Zoning:**

Rezoning application for 1300 block of York and Josephine: Following a motion from Maggie and a second from Jonah, Board unanimously ratified the vote taken at the neighborhood assembly.

Coventry development (historic building at NE corner of Colfax and Detroit): a meeting is planned for 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 4.

**Denver Botanic Gardens:** Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) needs three residents of Congress Park Neighborhood to volunteer as liaisons who will represent the interests of the whole neighborhood at NAC and DBG meetings. These positions will be posted in a neighborhood email blast and on the website.

**Other:** Tom will contact Teller School to determine if they have a "Dollars for Dictionaries" program.

Meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Wendy Moraskie.