Congress Park
Board Member Minutes
October 20, 2010

In attendance: Brent Hladky, Tom Conis, Maggie Price, Bill DeMaio, Ted Boeckman and Kathleen Hynes.

Absent: Wendy Moraskie

Guests: Sloane Walbert, Andrea Miller, Bonita Lahey, John VanSciver, Lorraine Alfini, Karen Miller, Julie Ripley and Jim Ripley

1. August minutes were approved and September minutes were tabled.

2. Savannah Jameson, Denver Landmark Commission, explained the historic designation known as Thematic Districts. The Thematic District allows owners to opt-into a Thematic District if their structure conforms to an agreed upon theme, trend or historic pattern which helps tell the “story of Denver”. This may include, but is not limited to, distinguishing architectural styles, features, timeframes etc. The structures belonging to a historic Thematic District do not have to be contiguous. In fact, the more communities represented in the theme the better. Ms. Jameson will be invited to the all neighbor meeting in January, 2011.

3. South City Park’s new president, Bonita Lehey, was introduced to the CPN. She shared the work she is doing on parking matters in SCP and sought CPN’s support to work together on parking matters impacting both our neighborhoods. Ms. Lehey noted grid lock now exists with Festival in the Park and East High is now offering some of its parking space to businesses along Colfax. It was agreed SCP and CPN would work on a joint parking survey.

4. The annual member meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2011 from 6-7:30 p.m., location to be determined.

The All Neighbors meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2011 from 6-8 p.m. We must go through DPS to secure Teller School.

5. 2510 E. Colfax—Clarification on Liquor License
Unless a neighborhood agreement specifically requests that it be transferred with the liquor license it was attached to, it does not. Liquor licenses are issued to the applicant, not the property, but once granted are typically transferred without additional review.
Kathleen briefly discussed Mr. Frank Schultz’s request that CPN sign a document forfeiting all future rights to contest his Dance Cabaret License (see attached.) CPN did not sign the agreement because it is not within our power to do so.

6. NAC update—Bill reported the 2010 concert series was very successful and Denver Botanic Gardens will work with Sallow Hill next year on 2011 concert series. The first annual Harvest Festival sponsored by the Community Gardeners was also well received.

7. New Business—INC has between 85 and 90 RNOs as members. Maggie continues to remind folks that Colfax is a food desert and grocery stores would help the elderly, the poor as well as, all the urban homesteaders.

Lisa Boeckman updated events at Teller including the Penny Harvest and the school tours every Friday.