



NORTH UNIVERSITY
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION



President's Note: CodeNEXT

By Brandon Tucker, NUNA President

Hello neighbors, I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and have been staying warm during these cold spells.

We're pleased to announce that for our first general membership meeting of 2018, our city council representative, Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo, will be joining us.

I'm sure that many of you are curious about the progress and details of CodeNext. There are also some other notable neighborhood items of interest, like the proposed Guadalupe St. corridor changes.

Just to provide some quick background on where the city is at in terms of CodeNext timing (this

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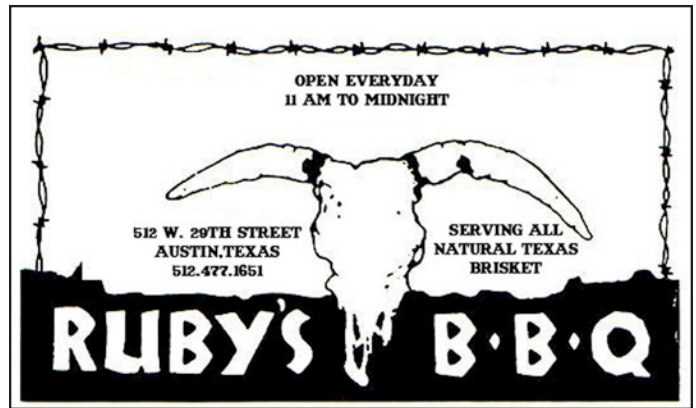
is the latest info we have from the city as of Nov. 15th):

Draft 3 of CodeNEXT -- the Staff Recommendation -- will be released by Feb. 12, 2018, with an anticipated Council first reading in late April 2018. Draft 3 initially was slated for release Nov. 28.

The new release date will give staff the time needed to consider the comments and concerns we received to date regarding Draft 2.

Public input on Draft 2 officially ended Oct. 31. Staff is working through the comments received to date to help inform Draft 3. All future comments on CodeNEXT will be gathered for the purpose of informing the commissions' and Council's policy discussions.

The updated timeline is outlined in a memo sent out to the Austin City Council Thursday, Nov. 16. The memo also includes a summary of the Draft 2 Community Open Houses and information about the Council Q&A webpage.



An advertisement for UTCEC Microfarm's Rent-A-Plot. At the top is the UTCEC logo. Below it is the text "MICROFARM'S RENT-A-PLOT". There are five icons of different vegetables: a head of broccoli, a head of cauliflower, a head of lettuce, a bean, and a pea. Below the icons, it says "Raised bed garden plots available for rent to students, faculty, and staff of UT." and "Located @ Whitaker Intramural Fields W 51st and Guadalupe". There are two diagrams of garden plots: a 4x8 plot and a 4x4 plot. To the right of the diagrams, it says "Rental Rate: \$15 for a 4'x 8', \$10 for a 4'x 4'" and "Rental Period: February to the end of the Fall 2018 semester". At the bottom, it says "Email: microfarm@utenvironment.org for a reservation!".

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North University Neighborhood Association (NUNA) has a meet up every other month. Check our website for more details:
<http://www.nunaaustin.org/>.

Minutes NUNA General Mtg 12/4/17

Extended Hours Pilot. Red River Music Venues. Good collaboration with the city. However, still getting a lot of noise, even when measured decibel levels are within range. Weather conditions are considered to be a factor. Suggestion to fund more study so that better rules and protocols are established.

Additionally, venues outside the Pilot are generating high decibel events.

Mary Ingle and Steven are advocating this with the City and individual Venues with good relationships with Neighborhood Associations.

UT Football game noise were also discussed.

501 W 33rd St

Discussed making new owner aware of our zoning and design guidelines.

CodeNext Update

3rd Draft postponed to February, 2018 for additional Staff review. Mary Ingle circulating petition calling for a Referendum on CodeNEXT.

Treasury Report

December version of the Treasurer's report was circulated.

Parks Committee

Bill Bednar looking for assistance with the Parks Committee.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The location for the meeting is:
First English Lutheran Church

AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Guests :**
Mayor Pro Tem Kathie Tovo
- III. **Topics**
 - CodeNEXT
 - Guadalupe corridor proposal
 - Other items of interest.
- IV. **Reports:**

ANC	Mary Ingle
CANPAC	
DRC	Steven Tomlinson
Parks	Douglas Plummer
News letter	Abby Tucker
Treasurer	Jan Moyle
Quadrant Leaders Reports	
Red River Music District Pilot	
CodeNEXT	
- V. **Old Business: Aldridge Place Columns**
- VI. **Items for Action: None**
- VII. **Events: It's my Park Day March 3rd.**
- VIII. **Adjourn**

District 9

District 9 Rep TOVO will come to NUNA meeting in February, 5 to discuss.

CapMetro

Question on when 32nd Street Rapid Stop (near Wheatsville) will open.

CANPAC Update

Question about tracking affordable housing. City does not track, wants neighborhoods to track.

2018 NUNA DUES

Dues for 2018 are now being collected. These dues help to pay for neighborhood events, presentation materials and small expenses that occur during the year. Membership dues are \$15 per person, \$25 per couple and \$10 for students. Checks can be made payable to NUNA and sent to Jan Moyle, 200 W. 32nd St.

Please use the form in the newsletter.

Feel free to contact Jan at moylejan@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Guadalupe Corridor Improvement Program

By The City of Austin

The City of Austin has completed the preliminary engineering report for the Guadalupe Corridor

Improvement Program. The report, also known as a Corridor Mobility Plan, contains short- and long-term recommendations to enhance safety, access and mobility along Guadalupe Street near the University of Texas campus area for all roadway users—including people who drive, walk, bike and take transit.

The report, initiated in 2014, incorporates analysis of existing conditions, current City plans and policies, technical analysis, as well as feedback from public meetings and extensive online engagement.

Key recommended improvements include:

- Conversion of Nueces Street from one-way to two-way to enhance mobility and safety
- A two-way protected bicycle path on 24th Street, between Guadalupe Street and Lamar Boulevard
- Transit priority lanes on Guadalupe Street, between Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and West 29th Street



A rendering of the proposed Guadalupe Street corridor.

- Various operational improvements including intersection and traffic signal work and pedestrian-focused projects such as wider sidewalks and improved street crossings

The recommendations will be considered for possible design and construction funding as part of the voter-approved 2016 Mobility Bond, which dedicates \$482 million to corridor improvement projects.

City staff will provide a proposed Corridor Construction Program to the Austin City Council in spring 2018 for consideration. City Council must approve the program before 2016 Mobility Bond funding is appropriated to construction of corridor improvements, as required by City Council's Contract With Voters.

Check AustinTexas.gov/Guadalupe and AustinTexas.gov/CorridorMobility for updates on the proposed Corridor Construction Program.

New Orleans

By Leoda Anderson

New Orleans (or New AW-lins, as longtime residents say it) is a lovely, interesting city.

We enjoyed it for three years. My two older daughters, Elaine and Heidi, were born there

in Hotel Dieu (the House of God Hospital, no longer there). Sunya and Lissa are Texans. You will see French words here and there, but during World War II the Post Office found that

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there were more Italians in New Orleans than French.

Yes, it has one of the most horrendous crime rates in the country. And yes, it has tropical summers when the days start with deceptively refreshing showers that graduate into steam heat the rest of the day. Every time it rains the pumps start pumping, for, after all, the city lies below sea level, and the sea and the river are not welcome on Canal Street and the French Quarter or anywhere else.

And yes, everyone has cockroaches, from the wealthy lady in the Garden District on down. Mardi Gras is a year-round business. After the Parade, when the floats have pulled back into their sheds, the designers and float-workers start work on next year's production.

On a visit back there, I got into a casual conversation with a woman in my favorite downtown store, Maison Blanche (white house, no longer there now either), and asked her, "Is R. (a notorious gangster) still running the town?" "Oh, well," she hedged, then staunchly came out with, "He's not so bad! He's been really good to my brother!" Naïve lady. It took all my will power not to respond with, "Really? And what did your brother do for him — knock off a few competitors?"

There are some traits one has to adjust to, like terminology. When an acquaintance told me she would drop by "this evenin'," I was puzzled. "This evening"? I might be preparing supper. So I ventured to ask her, "Just about what time this evening?"

"Oh, about 2 o'clock", she said. Any time after noon was "evenin'", I learned. The word "afternoon" was not in the vocabulary of some folks.

Two children of the neighborhood saw me and rushed up to tell me their big news. A little boy and his older sister, ages about 6 and 9.

"We've got a baby sistuh!" proudly announced the little boy.

"A baby sister! How nice. And what is her name?" I asked.

He gargled something that sounded like "Jerslin."



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I processed that for a second, then said, "Oh, Joycelyn! That's a pretty name."
 "No!" yelled the boy "It's---"
 But his sister silenced him with a jab of her elbow in his ribs and sternly admonished him, "That's what she MEANS!"
 We belonged to an interracial club. We would meet at each other's homes for lectures, discussions and just to get to know each other. The black members were mostly professional people, dentists, doctors, teachers. One of the white members was a very old retired professor whose speech was as gnarled as his features. One night, after a lecture, he made a lengthy comment. Frustrated, I turned to a black friend sitting next to me.



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"Millie," I said, "I didn't understand a word the professor said. (This was in the years when my hearing was keen.) "Do you understand him?"

Oh, no," she chuckled. "I gave that up a long time ago. Now I just sit back and enjoy the sound."

I squeezed her hand. Thank you, Millie.

New Orleans had a very quaint custom of discrimination in transportation. I wanted to laugh the first time I saw it in action, but the citizens took it very seriously, I found.

The back of the top of the seats in the streetcars and buses had two holes bored into them. There was a wooden bracket with two pegs that fitted

into the two holes on the top of the seats — a movable bar. The white folks were supposed to sit in front of the bar, the black folks behind it. I would not move that bar. I would just sit down behind it to see what would happen. What happened was a concerned white passenger would get up and silently move the bar behind me. I'm sure their thoughts were, "Aw, she's a stranger in town and doesn't know that she is supposed to move that bar. I'll just help her out."

No, I wasn't being brave like Rosa Parks. I was just being experimental — and mischievous.

As I said, New Orleans is a lovely interesting city.

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Our annual It's My Park Day is right around the corner. Over the years we've been able to enhance and clean up our neighborhood parks in many ways. Save the date for the first Saturday of the Month, March 4th where we will give some attention to beloved Adams-Hemphill Park. Project details will be announced shortly. But for now, you can register to volunteer at: <https://www.austinparks.org/volunteer/impd/>

Sunshine Community Garden's Annual Plant Sale & Fundraiser

By Randy Thompson

While Saturday March 3rd is It's My Park Day and helping with that is already on your calendar, it is also the date of Sunshine Community Garden's annual plant sale and fundraiser. Sunshine is Austin's oldest and largest community garden. The sale is from 9am to 2pm at 4814 Sunshine Drive. This year's selection of organically grown

vegetables includes more than 120 varieties of tomatoes picked with central Texas in mind, 80 kinds of peppers from sweet to wicked hot, as well as eggplants and tomatillos. There will also be herbs, natives and ornamentals plus compost to keep them healthy and happy.

Garden themed vendors and what Austin event would be without music, starting with a brass band to lead folks in. For plant lists and more information visit sunshinecommunitygardens.org.

More old Memories of New Orleans

By Leoda Anderson

As spoken in New Orleans, the English language has variations. Some call it the Irish Channel mode. Some call it Brooklynese. The letter "r" is a factor. It is omitted in some words in which it appears and is inserted in some words in which it does not appear. An example (in my previous story) was the neighborhood boy's insistence that his baby sister's name was "Jerslin" (not Joycelyn). Another example: If someone said, "Earl

needs to change the oil in his car," it would come out sounding more like: "Oil needs to change the erl in his cah."

The "oi" sound is sometimes substituted for the "r". When I acquired a severe sunburn my first summer there, my motherly friend, Mrs. Pinero, clucked sympathetically, "You're boint, Leoda, you're boint!" I remember thinking at the time that "boint" sounded more fitting for what I was feeling than "burnt." It sounded more painful.

Leaving the language-theme, let's drop in at that little gem, Audubon Park. I think it was Audubon, where they had monkeys in a large open space, where there were always spectators standing at the fence that encircled the monkeys. A man from the outside, not a park employee, would come regularly to bring the monkeys a treat. I don't know what if was, but they did, and, recognizing their benefactor from afar, would gather at the fence, chattering and fidgeting in anticipation.

One time I witnessed what appeared to be a little family drama at the monkey space. Father Monkey slapped Baby Monkey for some misdemeanor. Baby Monkey yelped.



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Mother Monkey rushed onto the scene, scooped up Baby Monkey, clutched him to her breast, glared at Father Monkey and chewed him out with high-pitched chatter: "That was too rough! He's only a baby. Don't you ever do that again!"

Father Monkey slunk away.



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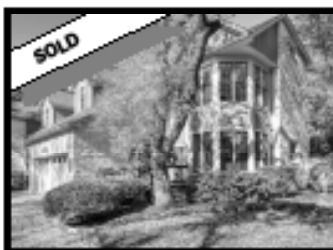
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Listed at \$649,000



4009 AVENUE D

Classic 1925 Hyde Park bungalow in heart of historic district. 2 BR, 1 BA, updated kitchen and hall bath, utility porch. Wood floors throughout. One-car garage.

Listed at \$529,000



4202 AVENUE C

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