

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

January 12, 2012

- No meetings since December Board meeting
- ECCO neighbor Lisa Warren brought the LES schedule for line relocation to our attention. Their schedule showed 33rd Street from “P to Holdrege” as on the list for relocation, due to street widening. Lisa spoke to Dan Pudenz of LES who didn't know the particulars so he put her in touch with Steve Wallingford (402-467-7680), who indicated that the city HAD planned to widen 33rd St from P to Holdrege in 2 phases; hence LES put it in their budget to reserve the money. Evidently, according to Steve, the city wanted to widen the street a little AND put in a bike path. However, the last Steve heard, the city has now concluded that 33rd St DOES NOT warrant widening after they studied the traffic patterns, etc. Steve added that IF it were to happen, there would be an announcement in the newspaper along with scheduled community meetings to discuss the issue.
- Committee member Lisa Sutton had also checked with the City and not found 33rd Street to be on the list for widening or resurfacing. The Committee will continue to monitor the lists, because even “resurfacing” if done with Federal funds, would result in widening, and subsequent issues with the current street trees. If 33rd Street is to be resurfaced at some point we want to be on record asking that City funds be used so as not to have the same issues as with Holdrege Street.
- With this having been our top priority, we will be moving our focus once again to resolution of the parking issues in our neighborhood. We will coordinate our efforts per Ann Bleed’s report, with the appropriate UNL representatives, Mayor’s office, Lincoln Police Department, and fraternity representatives. We will also involve Clinton neighborhood at the appropriate time.
- No other changes from our December report.

Submitted by Mary Eisenhart, Chairman