

Norhill Neighborhood Association General Meeting Minutes February 24, 2026

After calling the meeting to order at 6:35 pm, Karen Stokes, current NNA President,

- Called on all first-time visitors to introduce themselves. Some voiced particular interest in the talk from Preservation Houston scheduled at this meeting.
- Introduced all Board members elected for 2026; this being the first meeting of the year, due to January meeting cancelled due to weather.

Announcements and Introductions:

- City of Houston public meeting on City Guidelines for implementing Norhill Deed Restrictions: 03/24/2026, City Hall Annex, 2:30 pm. Norhill residents strongly urged to attend and promote the support of Norhill historic features.
- Edith Colon, representing Browning Elem. School, will celebrate centennial in 2027. Browning offers a dual language school, pre-K, age 3-4. Parents are encouraged to come tour the program in action. 607 Northwood St., 77009
- Colin Gary, Houston METRO, announced that Metro's "Community Connector" would operate additional hours and routes during Heights Foody Week, March 1-7. Consult "Heights Foody Week" website for details.
- Metro has also initiated bus to both Hobby and Bush airports from downtown Houston. Also, consult ridemetrol.org for change in fare card from Q Cards to regular credit cards.
- Thomas Wheaton, Communications Dir., for Mario Castillo, District H, announced:
 - - 3 Town Hall meetings (see Councilman's newsletter or website);
 - Speed Cushions for streets approved by residents are in process of contracting;
 - How can Proctor Plaza Park be included in "Let's Play Houston" City program"? <https://www.msn.com/en-us/money/realestate/whitmires-plan-to-fix-neighborhood-parks-is-a-reminder-of-how-houston-shortchanges-kids/ar-AA1sDXbm> - asked by **Jon Albrecht**. Thomas will talk to Council Member Castillo about advocating this.
 - **Laura Diez** drew attention to the chaos and danger at 11th and Hogg MS during admission and dismissal; need for solution ASAP. Thomas will talk to Castillo.
- Lorenzo de Zavala of Masonic Lodge 1397, 310 Enid St. introduced the interest of himself and his group to support NNA efforts at community support and improvement.

Report on Super Neighborhood meeting by Letha Allen (NNA Programs)

- Heights library celebrates 100th anniversary 03/14/2026 at 1:00pm.
- New Houston Police Patrol Center at 1217 Morin PI, 77002 ,invites District H residents to an open house on 03/28/2026, 10:00-11:30am.
<https://communityimpact.com/houston/heights-river-oaks-montrose/government/2025/07/14/houston-police-department-opens-new-renovated-central-patrol-station/>

Laura Diez, NNA Socia Events Director:

- March First Friday Happy Hour will be at home of Letha Allen, 1028 Walling at 6:30pm. A Happy Hour Host is needed for April 3rd, 2026 (Good Friday)
- Clean-up of Proctor Plaza Park will be 03/21/2026. More info coming by email.

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Jon Albrecht, NNA Treasurer: Report:

- 01/01/2026 Beginning Balance: \$25,177.95. Current: \$25,392.61

NNA President, Karen Stokes

- Announced the desire and the need for NNA to have a newsletter that could be distributed to all Norhill residents. Simple software is available but an individual responsible for design is needed. All NNA members, all neighbors, are encouraged to write and submit short articles or items of interest for this simple publication. Karen distributed index cards and pencils for members present to write down and volunteer.
- **The meeting was dismissed at 7:00 pm**