



## UUFCO NEW HOME STEERING COMMITTEE

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*"Design can be art. Design can be aesthetics. Design is so simple, that's why it is so complicated."* ■ Paul Rand

The following is a brief update on the progress of the New Home Project (NHP) as of mid May when this update is submitted for the newsletter. To read news that is more current, check the weekly ACE and the updates in the New Home section of the UUFCO website.

**The Land:** The May 2 pre-application meeting with the City was productive in providing an opportunity to receive initial observations on our building and site plans. The feedback was positive. On May 8 our posted Public Meeting took place in Old Stone. We had six attendees who represented neighborhood associations and private residents. There was general support for our current site and preliminary design plans and having UUFCO as new neighbors. The current plan is to submit the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application before the end of May. The City review process is approximately ninety days.

**Design:** We've started the Design Development phase with the Design Committee (DC) meeting weekly or more often during this phase through the end of June. Along with the DC, representatives of work groups from Maintenance & Grounds, Religious Education, Events and Kitchen, Music and Worship, Administration, and Art Integration are meeting with our architects, THA, to provide input and to clarify space needs for each of these respective areas. During this time of design development, the finer details of the exterior and interior of the building are reviewed, discussed and decided. THA conducted an in-person meeting on May 10 and will return on May 30 to review an updated design plan.

**Capital Campaign:** Current information about the Capital Campaign is covered by Don Hartsough in another article in this newsletter.

**Project Administration:** Progress has been made with phase two contracts. We have a few remaining contracts to review and approve.

**Timeline:** The timing of site preparation and ground breaking is dependent on the successful approval of the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and the timely completion of the design development phase. Currently we are expecting site preparation to begin in the summer and groundbreaking to take place the beginning of September. The overall completion date of our New Home Project is the beginning of January 2015. Exact dates will be communicated as each of the prerequisite events is completed.

**Save The Date:** Sunday, July 14 following our service. This all-congregation update with the architects is to present the final design. Your attendance and participation will be important so mark your

calendar for this date. We'll be meeting in Old Stone and child care will be provided. Read future ACE notices for more specific details.

**Communications:** You can stay current with the NHP activities in one or all of these ways: 1) the New Home table at Sunday service where you'll see a printout of THA's presentation and the latest drawings, 2) on the public page of the UUFSCO website (under the "About Us" tab), 3) in the members' area of the UUFSCO website, 4) in All Congregation Emails (ACE) when we have date sensitive information to share and 5) by asking a member of the Steering Committee or subcommittees. (See list on the display board.)

**New Home Project Steering Committee:** Dale Clark, Design Committee; John Coltman, Finance Committee; Don Hartsough, Capital Campaign Committee; Melissa Hochschild, Communications Advisor; Jerrie Jones, Secretary and Website Update Coordinator; Leslie Koc, Chair; Dave MacGurn, Land & Site Committee; Vernon Threlkeld, Construction & Technical Advisory Committee

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