**SOUTHWESTERN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

**SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING**

**AUGUST 12, 2021**

Approximately 100 + neighbors attended this special meeting held at Wakonda Christian Church on August 12, 2021, at 6:00PM.

**SAFETY ON SW 23rd STREET**

Jeff Wiggins, City of Des Moines representative, spoke regarding safety and speed issues on SW 23rd Street. He shared the City of Des Moines proposals for reducing speeding on SW 23rd Street. The proposal included adding one speed hump and two curb extensions between Park Avenue and Bell Avenue. There were a number of questions that attendees had for Mr. Wiggins. The money for this project is allocated by the City Council. The majority of people in attendance did not favor this proposal. Most of the neighbors in attendance preferred the installation of 3 speed humps and no curb extensions. The final decision will be made by the 14 homeowners who reside on SW 23rd Street between Park Avenue and Bell Avenue. According to code, mailings are sent to homeowners within 250’ of the street proposal. Only 60% of the RETURNED postcards are required to pass. If only ten cards are returned, six yes votes would pass this proposal.

**BROWNSTONES AT FLEUR DRIVE AND PARK AVENUE**

Adam Sieren (developer) proposed development on the NW corner of Fleur Drive and Park Avenue. The development is called Park Fleur Brownstones and would include 23- three story condos. The condos would be about 1750 square feet and would be for sale for about $450,000. This complex would have only one entrance and exit on Park Avenue. Southwestern Hills Neighbors had many questions and concerns regarding this project and the effects that such a project would have on the neighborhood. The main concerns centered on the additional traffic on Park Avenue and the effects that such a project will have on the appearance of the area. This meeting is the first necessary step needed to rezone the area for this development. An informal vote of the 100+ in attendance, showed 98 do not approve of this project.

Minutes Submitted By Ginny Renda, Secretary of SWHNA