

UPTOWN PLANNERS

NOTICE OF BOARD ELECTION

Tuesday, March 6, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m.

**Joyce Beers Community Center, Uptown Shopping District
(Located on Vermont Street between the Aladdin Restaurant and Panera Bread)**

Seven seats are up for election on March 6, 2012 for terms of four years, which will beginning April 2012.

Qualifications to be Candidate: To be qualified to run for Uptown Planners a candidate must: (1.) be a resident, property owner, or business owner, operator, or designee, within the Uptown Community Planning area; (2.) and have attended three meetings of board of Uptown Planners within the prior 12 months prior to the meeting on March 1, 2011, (3.) and have a membership application on file with the Secretary.

Who May Vote on March 6: To vote an individual must present identification proving residency, property ownership, or business ownership in Uptown: Identification can be in the form of a driver's license, utility bill, tax bill, business license, or rent receipt – any document that has the individual's name and street address. Photocopies of documents are acceptable.

When to Vote: Ballots will be handed to eligible voters, upon presentation of proper identification, once the March 6 meeting is called to order at or shortly after 6:00 p.m. As a courtesy, it is suggested that before completing the ballot, voters first listen to the three minutes statements each candidate will make regarding their qualifications and reasons they would like to serve, or continue to serve, on the Board.

Election Ballots: The names of all the announced candidates will be listed on the ballot. **A voter may vote for up to seven candidates.** A vote for a candidate is made by circling their name on the ballot. If more than seven names are circled, the ballot will be ruled invalid.

Close of Voting: Once the candidates have made their statements, and all the qualified voters who are present in the room have had the opportunity to vote, the election will be closed at or after 7:15 p.m. The election committee will then count the ballots at a table in the back of the room. All individuals present in the room will be able to observe, but no one is permitted to participate and interfere with the work of the election committee.

Announcement of Results: After counting the ballots, the election committee will seal the counted ballots in a plastic bag, and present them to the full board. They will be placed on the table in full public view, should further review become necessary it will be done under the supervision of the Board.

At the appropriate time during the meeting, the results will be read by the chair. The seven candidates who receive the most votes will be elected.