 Residence Halls
o On May 14, the University broke ground on its Phase 1 Residence Hall
project, which is located just south of the Parking Facility on the west
side of the Main Campus. Construction will continue through the
planned Fall 2016 opening.
o Matt Specht, who was recently named Northeastern’s Dean of
Students, will serve as the point person for the residence hall projects.
o Caren Real Estate, a property located on the 3400 block of Bryn Mawr,
now belongs to the University. As part of Northeastern’s agreement
with Caren Real Estate, it will continue to operate at its current
location until next spring.
o There has been very healthy interest among current and prospective
students for student housing, and a number of them have already
expressed a desire to be placed on a waiting list. This fall, the
University will begin providing additional information as well as a
mechanism to apply for housing on its new student housing website at
www.neiustudenthousing.com.

 Parking Updates
o The University is looking at parking much more carefully than it used
to.
o It is currently exploring plans to add spaces at Foster Avenue and
Campus Access Drive.
o Starting this fall, students will see a modest reduction in the parking
fee.

 Traffic and Parking Study
o Mike Dizon has collected and compiled community feedback and
input on the study and shared with NNN several themes that have
emerged. In general, the input fell into one of six categories:
 Neighborhood considerations
 Opportunities to better manage parking
 Improving access to public transportation
 Pedestrian safety
 Construction impacts
 Student driving and parking behavior
o President Hahs has identified a potential vendor who could
administer the study, which would ideally be conducted this fall, and
she plans to reach out to them soon.
o Answering a question from an NNN member, President Hahs
confirmed that any student resident who elects to bring a car to the
Main Campus would be required to obtain a University parking
permit.

 Community partnerships and events update
o Northeastern’s Music Department hosted a free Jazz Night concert for
the public last month. In spite of being relocated from the University
Commons to the Auditorium (due to rain) the event was well
attended.
o Northeastern is glad to help sponsor the Bon Appetit Albany Park
Restaurant Week. The executive director of the North River
Commission (NRC) encouraged NNN members to participate and
invited them to a kick-off event on July 21 at the newly renovated
Angelo’s Wine Bar.
o Northeastern’s Senior Director for Community and Civic Engagement
shared some ideas to partner with NRC to promote both local
restaurants and University events. A “dinner and a movie” concept
was well-received by the group, with one member suggesting that the
idea would be even more popular if the plans included child-care
opportunities.

NEIGHBORHOOD INFO / OPEN DISCUSSION

 The representative from the Alderman’s Office shared the following updates.
o Resurfacing of Bryn Mawr Avenue has been completed, and the city
will begin work on streetscape elements next week.
o The flood control project has provided better drainage in the area and
has reduced the number of basement flooding issues.
o Chicago’s Korean Festival will take place on August 8 and 9.

 The representative from the North Park Village Nature Center said the Center
hosted in April a centennial celebration for the former Chicago Municipal
Tuberculosis Sanitarium located on its site.

 Representatives from the Hollywood-North Park Community Association
(HNPCA) shared the following updates.
o HNPCA hosted a tour last week of the new Habitat for Humanity
ReStore, a home improvement store and donation center.
o In May, HNPCA hosted a community event at ArtZone Café called “On
The Table,” a group conversation about ways to better support,
improve and invest in our community.
o In October, HNPCA will host a presentation on how to safeguard your
home from burglaries.

The NNN meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.