

**Shoal Creek Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2011**

The first meeting of the Shoal Creek Committee was on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 from noon – 1 pm at 808 West Avenue which is Kevin O’Hanlon’s law office. Committee members Ted Siff, Sara Koeninger, Kevin O’Hanlon, Priscilla Lozano, Mitchell McGovern, Ben Turner and Greg Tait attended. After brief introductions, Ted gave a general review of the history of the Shoal Creek Greenway and its Action Plan as well as the status of current improvements. Then committee members discussed and set committee priorities for 2011. The major priorities are:

- 1) develop a broad coalition of supporters including DANA, DAA, Condo HMO’s, Shoal Creek properties owners, etc to support the implementation of the Shoal Creek Greenway Action Plan;
- 2) work with the City of Austin Parks Department to get the “gap” in the Greenway and Trail between West 5th and West Avenue closed within 18 months;
- 3) identify visible short term improvements of Shoal Creek Greenway successes (ex. an “adopt a garden” program) and
- 4) advocate for a solution to the Bowie Street Underpass to connect the Pfluger Bridge extension to Bowie Street and Shoal Creek.

To start the follow up on these priorities Ben Turner volunteered to contact the Parks Department, and find out the status of the “close the gap” project, and Mitchell McGovern volunteered to identify “adopt a garden” locations.

The next committee meeting was set for March 8, 2011, Noon – 1pm at 808 West Avenue.