

THE RESIDENT NEWSLETTER OF
THE SOCIETY HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION
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Notice of Membership Meeting

There will be a meeting of the membership of the Society Hill Civic Association on March 11, 1975, at 8 p.m. at the Old Pine Street Church, 412 Pine Street. The matters to be discussed at the meeting will include the proposed development by Messrs. Agnes and Gola at Third and Spruce Streets, the present status of the six units of relocation housing proposed by the Redevelopment Authority for Sixth and Lombard (which units are to become generally marketable when the relocatees have ceased their use), and the present status of the proposed black history museum at Sixth and Pine.

All of the plans relating to these projects which are currently in the SHCA's possession will again be available for inspection on Tuesday evening, March 4, 1975, at 8 p.m. at St. Peter's House, 313 Pine.

Proposed Black History Museum

The Zoning Board of Adjustment commenced its hearing on the variances being sought by Philadelphia '76, Inc., for its proposed museum at Sixth and Pine on Thursday, February 20, 1975. The hearing was not completed but has been continued until February 27, 1975, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 603, City Hall Annex, Juniper and Filbert Streets. Any interested person in the neighborhood should make an effort to attend this important hearing, and should arrive well before the scheduled hour to ensure getting a seat.

The SHCA adopted the resolutions printed elsewhere on this sheet at the membership meeting held on February 11, 1975. Comparable resolutions were adopted by the PAC. Your Board and the Association's representatives have sought to implement these resolutions, and negotiations have been held with Philadelphia, '76, Inc., and the other sponsors of the project. While some concessions have been made, the sponsors have to date failed to make any substantial cutback in the size of the proposed museum so as to satisfy the Urban Renewal Plan or the Zoning Code. The Association will oppose the granting of the variances before the Zoning Board.

1975 Membership Dues Reminder

Present members and associate members, and persons who would like to join the SHCA, should pay their 1975 dues (\$8, two adults at same address; \$5, single) to Janet Lewis, Treasurer, at 220 Spruce or 313 Pine Street.

Adopted by the Society Hill Civic Association
on February 11, 1975, by a vote of 107 to 12

RESOLUTION

We are opposed to the Museum as it has been presented tonight because of its size and scale and the impact on the neighborhood of increased traffic and inadequate parking.

