Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

September 24, 2007

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, Beverly Conerton, Carol Pass, Jeffrey Strand, Mark Stenglein, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Cara Letofsky (Alternate, Mayor’s Office), Robert Lilligren (Alternate, City Council), Ken Kelash (Alternate, Central Labor Union), Anita S. Duckor, and Jon Olson, chair, presiding

Alternates Attending: Nicholas Kakos, Mark Hinds, Carletta Sweet.

Absent: R.T. Rybak, Barbara Johnson (excused), Rep. Joe Mullery (excused), Chris Stewart, Sandra Vargas, Bill McCarthy, Byron LaHer (excused), Todd Klingel

Staff: Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Gary Arntsen, Sherri Pugh Sullivan, Jim Graham

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jon Olson, chair of the NRP Policy Board, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Robert Lilligren and seconded by Mark Hinds the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Anita S. Duckor and seconded by Ken Kelash the minutes of the August 27, 2007 meeting of the Policy Board were adopted.

IV. POLICY ITEMS


Bob Miller reviewed the proposed modification and upon a motion by Ken Kelash, which was seconded by Jeffrey Strand, the NRP staff was directed to distribute the proposed revisions to the neighborhoods for review and comment. The resolution was then adopted.
RESOLVED: That the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board authorizes the Director to distribute the attached proposed revisions to the “Changing Approved Neighborhood Action Plans and Early Access Requests” Policy to neighborhoods for their review and comment in accordance with the Policy Board’s Policy on “Notifying Neighborhoods of NRP Policy Changes or Amendments”;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That all comments should be in writing or by email and should be submitted to the NRP office or blickness@nrp.org by no later than 4 p.m. Friday, November 9.

2. Policy Board 2008 Neighborhood Representative Election

Bob Miller reported that the following candidates have filed for election as a neighborhood representative to the Policy Board. The election will be held on Thursday, November 15th.

At-Large: Debbie Evans
           Brock Hanson

Protection: Nicholas Kakos
             Jeffrey Strand
             Carletta F. Sweet

Revitalization: Beverly Conerton
                Mark Hinds
                Peter Johnson
                Debra Wagner

Redirection: Kari Anderson
             Barbara Jacobs
             Carol Ann Pass

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. Plymouth Plaza Transition Fund Loan

Bob Miller reported that negotiations are still in process to reach agreements on this issue. Cara Letofsky moved and Mark Stenglein seconded that this item continue to be laid over until the October meeting.
2. 2008 NRP Administrative Budget

Bob Miller presented the FY2008 NRP Administrative Budget for Policy Board member review with action to be taken on the budget at a future meeting. He highlighted the reductions that have been made including the reduction of one FTE employee.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. Ventura Village Phase I Review

Jim Graham presented a short summary of the Ventura Village Phase I Review on behalf of the neighborhood.


During the discussion around the budget, the issue of future funding was again raised. It was suggested that a discussion around the future of NRP be included in the October meeting agenda. Upon a motion by Beverly Conerton and seconded by Anita S. Duckor the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That a discussion about future funding of NRP be included on the October 22, 2007 meeting agenda.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jon Olson, Chair