Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
July 26, 2010


Alternates Attending:  Wizard Marks, Tom Bissen, Nicholas Kakos

Absent:  Mark Stenglein, R.T. Rybak, Barbara Johnson (excused), Chris Stewart, Bill McCarthy, Ken Kelash (excused)

Staff:  Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:  Gary Artnsen, Kerri Pierce Ruch

I.  CALL TO ORDER

David Ellis, vice-chair of the NRP Policy Board, called the meeting to order at 4:43 p.m.

II.  APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Gail Dorfman and seconded by Liz Wielinski the agenda was approved.

III.  APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by DeWayne Townsend the minutes of the June 28, 2010 meeting were approved.

IV.  POLICY ITEMS

1.  Dates for the 2011 Neighborhood Representative Election  [NRP / PR #2010-05]

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by DeWayne Townsend the dates for the 2011 Neighborhood Representative Election were approved.  The dates are as follows:

- Candidate filing forms available:  Wednesday, August 18
- Candidate filing deadline:  Noon / Friday September 17
- Candidate forums and election:  Thursday, November 18
2. Metropolitan Urban Indian Phase II Plan Modification #3  [NRP /FR #2010-08]

Bob Miller presented the plan modification. Policy Board approval is needed because a new strategy is being created for the Urban Indian Plan. The modification removes a strategy which is no longer viable, the “Eagle’s Center”, and places the resources in a program for housing elders in that community. These resources will help make the project at 24th & Bloomington go forward. There was discussion about making sure that this housing opportunity, although located in south Minneapolis, is available to all. Nicholas Kakos moved to amend the motion to reflect this concern but his motion died for lack of a second. Bob Miller agreed to communicate this concern of the Policy Board to the Metropolitan Urban Indians.

Upon a motion by Peter McLaughlin and seconded by DeWayne Townsend the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board (Board) approves the addition of a new Goal 2, Objective 1, Strategy 1 to the Phase II American Indian Neighborhood Action Plan to be worded as follows:

Goal 2: Work within the American Indian community and surrounding neighborhoods to address the housing needs of elders.

Objective 1: Develop and build facilities to house Elders in South Minneapolis communities where they are close to programs and services.

Strategy 1: Build a housing facility to serve elders who are capable of independent living, with a supportive atmosphere.

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board approves the reallocation of $148,053.38 from Phase II Goal 1, Objective 1, Strategy 1 to the new Goal 2, Objective 1, Strategy 1.

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. Minneapolis St. Paul Home Tour  [NRP / PR#2010-06]

Bob Miller presented the final report and recommendations for continuing the Home Tour. Upon a motion by Wizard Marks and seconded by DeWayne Townsend the following resolution was adopted.
RESOLVED, That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board (Board) agrees that NRP should be the coordinator for the 2011 Minneapolis and Saint Paul Home Tour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes the Director to: (1) enter into any contracts or agreements needed to conduct the 2011 Home Tour; (2) expend funds from the approved 2010 and 2011 Administrative Budgets as needed for this purpose; (3) create the accounts and files needed to document the revenues received and the expenses incurred for the Home Tour; and (4) use the NRP name, logo and website to promote and advertise the Tour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director shall provide a full report on the revenues and expenditures, attendance and any other relevant matters to the Board by July 30, 2011.

2. NRP & NCR: Collaboration, Cooperation and Consolidation Plan

Bob Miller reported that he removed the reference to the legal opinion because of objections raised by David Rubedor. Members of the Board objected to this deletion and advised that this reference should be returned to the Plan. Mr. Miller is waiting for David Rubedor to return from vacation to continue discussions in August on this and other possible changes.

3. Update on Board Subcommittees

DeWayne Townsend reported that the subcommittee working on the Home Tour met on July 19th. The committee decided to perpetuate the Home Tour after 2011 by putting out a RFP looking for an individual or organization to take over the operation of the Home Tour.

Debbie Evans reported that the Joint Powers committee met on July 19th and reviewed the current agreement. Questions were raised that require a legal opinion and the committee will be scheduling its next meeting with NRP’
VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40

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Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

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**ATTEST:** David Ellis, vice-chair