

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

February 27, 2006

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, Dorothy Titus, Carol Pass (Alternate, Redirection), Jeffrey Strand, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Cara Letofsky (Alternate, Mayor's Office), Barbara Johnson, Jon Olson, Lydia Lee, Byron Laher, Ken Kelash (Alternate, Central Labor), Laura Waterman Wittstock and Rep. Joe Mullery, chair, presiding

Alternates Attending: Ryan Marth, Robert Lilligren

Absent: Tom Bissen, Mark Stenglein, R.T. Rybak, Emmett Carson, Bill McCarthy, Todd Klingel

Staff: Bob Miller, Jack Whitehurst, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: David Fey, Jeff Schneider, Mike Kimble

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center and Rep. Joe Mullery, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Jon Olson and seconded by Ken Kelash the agenda as presented was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Ken Kelash the minutes of the January 23, 2006 meeting were adopted.

IV. POLICY ITEMS

1. Report of the Nominating Committee

[NRP / PR#2006-05]

Peter McLaughlin, chair of the committee, placed in nomination the follow slate of candidates for Policy Board officers: for chair, Jon Olson; for vice-chair, Byron Laher; and for Secretary, Debbie Evans. Debbie Evans withdrew her name and nominated Carol Pass for Secretary. The chair called for any additional nominations and hearing none closed nominations. A vote was then taken on the revised slate of officers and Jon Olson, Byron Laher and Carol Pass were duly elected.

2. Future Funding Task Force

Bob Miller and Byron Laher reported that a draft report with recommendations has been completed and the Task Force will be setting up meetings with City Council members and the Mayor to brief them for their input prior to presenting the report and recommendations to the Policy Board. The report will be distributed to the Policy Board after the meetings with Council members are completed.

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. Salary Increase for NRP Staff

[NRP / FR#2006-03]

Funding for a 2% salary increase for NRP staff was included in the adopted NRP 2006 Administrative Budget. Formal Policy Board approval for this increase was requested. Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Jon Olson the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board hereby approves a 2% salary increase for NRP staff retroactive to February 20, 2006.

2. Northeast Park NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan [NRP / FR#2006-04]

Bob Miller presented the plan on behalf of the neighborhood. A representative from the neighborhood was also to present the plan but since the meeting agenda was short, the chair asked that consideration of the plan proceed in the hope that the neighborhood presenter would arrive in time to offer any additional information. Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Jon Olson, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS: On April 19, 2004 the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board ("Board") approved a Phase II allocation for the Northeast Park neighborhood of \$252,685, based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP;

WHEREAS: The neighborhood conducted a Phase II neighborhood planning process that began in 2004 and has submitted a Northeast Park NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan that requests a Phase II allocation of \$252,685;

WHEREAS: The Northeast Park neighborhood has allocated at least 70% of their Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan to housing programs, projects, services and activities;

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts the Northeast Park NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request the City Council and Mayor [a] amend the 2006 General Appropriation resolution by increasing the Community Planning and Economic Development Department agency Fund CNR – NRP Program Fund (CNR0-890-3550) by \$252,685 and [b] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That up to 70 percent of the amount approved for this plan (\$176,880) shall be available for obligation in the first three (3) years after approval of the appropriation for this plan.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. Windom Neighborhood Phase I Action Plan Review

Bob Miller presented the review on behalf of the neighborhood and highlighted the successful collaboration of the neighborhood, school and parks in fulfilling a forty year dream of the neighborhood; the building of a community center for the neighborhood. The report was received and filed.

2. Kenny Neighborhood Phase I Project Highlights

Bob Miller presented the review on behalf of the neighborhood and highlighted the neighborhood's involvement planning effort for development of Lyndale Avenue south of 54th street. The report was received and filed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Joe Mullery, Chair