

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

April 24, 2006

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, Dorothy Titus, Tom Bissen, Jeffrey Strand, R.T. Rybak, Barbara Johnson, Lydia Lee, Marigrace Deters (Alternate, Minneapolis Foundation), Byron Laher, Anita Duckor and Jon Olson, chair, presiding.

Alternates Attending: Carol Pass, Nicholas Kakos, Cara Letofsky, Robert Lilligren

Absent: Mark Stenglein, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Rep Joe Mullery, Emmett Carson, Ken Kelash, Todd Klingel

Staff: Bob Miller, Jack Whitehurst, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Gary Arntsen, Jeff Schneider, David Fey, Mark Winkelhanke, Jack Kryst, Lucy Gerold

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center and call to order by Jon Olson, chair, at 4:40 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Byron Laher, the agenda as presented was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Robert Lilligren and seconded by Jeffrey Strand the minutes of the March 27, 2006 meeting were adopted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

1. Request to Increase 2006 Administrative Budget Appropriation

[NRP / FR#2006-06]

Bob Miller presented the request to increase the 2006 Administrative Budget Appropriation needed to satisfy remaining 2005 budget obligations. Upon a motion by Robert Lilligren and seconded by Jeffrey Strand, the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby approves an increase of \$125,982.25 to the 2006 NRP Administrative Budget to satisfy remaining 2005 budget obligations; and,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor: [a] amend the 2006 City of Minneapolis General Operating Resolution by increasing the NRP Program Fund (CNR0) by \$125,982.25; and [b] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any necessary contracts or agreements to implement the activities above.

V. POLICY ITEMS

1. Future Funding Task Force Report

[NRP / PR#2006-06]

Byron Laher presented the report on behalf of the Task Force and reviewed each of the recommendations. It was the consensus of the Task Force that future funding come from a variety of sources. He then moved and Thomas Bissen seconded the following resolution.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board receive this document, submit it to the five NRP jurisdictions, asking each of them to review it and provide feedback to the Policy Board within the next two to three months, and encourage them to identify other options that we may have missed.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. Taking Minneapolis Policing to the Next Level

[NRP / PR#2006-07]

Mayor Rybak began the presentation by suggesting that the Policy Board consider asking the State Legislature to amend the NRP legislation's "housing mandate" to include community public safety. A language revision to include this might be possible before the close of the current session. A discussion followed with Jeffrey Strand moving and Dorothy Titus seconding the following resolution.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board authorizes the Chair and the Director to work with Minneapolis City leaders to pursue a narrowly focused statutory change in 2006 to expand the definition of the "NRP Statute" to include community public safety in addition to housing. The authorization from the Policy Board expires December 31, 2006.

RESOLVED FURTHER: That this action be communicated to the NRP neighborhood organizations.

Deputy Chief Lucy Gerold then presented a report prepared by the *Strategic Policy Partnership* of West Tisbury, Massachusetts entitled The New Vision for Policing. The report / presentation reviewed the current situation in Minneapolis, the community and police perceptions about community policing, and outlined future steps for success. The report also included data comparisons with other cities in the United States.

**2. Financial Impact of the De-certification of the pre-1979
Tax Increment Financing Districts**

A reference document was distributed and Mark Winkelhanke reviewed the information presented in this document. The TIF districts are due to be de-certified in 2009. He reviewed some of the options and projections that the City Council will be considering in the future.

3. NRP Minneapolis / St. Paul Home Tour Update

Bob Miller gave a short update on the Home Tour to be held May 6th & 7th. Home Tour guides were provided to members to distribute and volunteer opportunities were suggested.

VII. AJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jon Olson, Chair