

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

May 22, 2006

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, Dorothy Titus, Carol Pass, Jeffrey Strand, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Cara Letofsky (Alternate, Mayor's office), Barbara Johnson, Byron Laher, Rep. Joe Mullery, Ken Kelash (Alternate, Central Labor Union), Anita Duckor and Jon Olson, chair, presiding.

Alternates Attending: Ryan Marth, Nicholas Kakos

Absent: Mark Stenglein, R.T. Rybak, Lydia Lee (excused), Emmett Carson, Bill McCarthy, Todd Klingel

Staff: Bob Miller, Peg Mountin, Robert Thompson, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Melinda Ludwiczak, Arthur Knowles, Niki Valens, Mark Hinds, Sarah Linnes-Robinson, Rhonda Eastlund, Rosemary Knutson, Eunice Eckerly, Emily Cheesebrow, Todd Smith, Abia Ali, Deven Nelson, Gary Arntsen

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Dorothy Titus and seconded by Anita Duckor, the minutes of the April 24, 2006 meeting were adopted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

1. King Field NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan [NRP / FR#2006-07]

Melinda Ludwiczak, Arthur Knowles, Niki Valens, Mark Hinds and Sara Linnes-Robinson represented the neighborhood and presented the King Field NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan to the Policy Board. The plan focuses on housing development and redevelopment, community development and building connections, and environmental concerns. Upon a motion by Gail Dorfman and seconded by Anita Duckor 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 King Field neighborhood of \$770,934, based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP;

WHEREAS: The neighborhood conducted a Phase II neighborhood planning process that began in 2005 and has submitted a King Field NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan ("Plan") that requests a Phase II allocation of \$770,934;

WHEREAS: The King Field neighborhood has allocated at least 70% of their Plan to housing programs, projects, services and activities;

RESOLVED: That the Board hereby accepts and adopts the King Field NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan and approves the expenditure of up to \$770,934 of NRP funds for implementation of the Plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor: [a] approve the King Field NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan, and specifically those parts of the Plan that fall under City jurisdiction, for their Phase II allocation of up to \$770,934; [b] amend the 2006 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) appropriation by \$281,000 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$489,934 for Plan implementation in a reserve account within Fund CNR0 for future years expenditures on the approved Plan provided that no more than 70% of the amount approved for the Plan (\$539,654) shall be obligated in the first three (3) years after approval of the Plan; and [d] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the Plan and the activities above.

2. Cedar Riverside Neighborhood Phase I First Step Neighborhood Action Plan

[NRP / FR#2006-08]

Bob Miller introduced this plan and congratulated the neighborhood for the determined work that they have done to achieve this accomplishment. He noted that it has been a long process with many challenges along the way, but the neighborhood is moving ahead with their NRP process. Rhonda Eastlund, Rosemary Knutson, Eunice Eckerly, Todd Smith and Abia Ali then presented the plan to the Policy Board. Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Peter McLaughlin, the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts the Cedar Riverside First Step Plan dated April 19, 2006; and

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that 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 \$350,000.00 and [b] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. NRP Minneapolis / Saint Paul Home Tour

Bob Miller gave a brief preliminary report. A full report will be presented at the June meeting of the Policy Board.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jon Olson, Chair