

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

October 23, 2006

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

Alternates Attending: Ryan Marth, Carol Pass, Nicholas Kakos, Robert Lilligren

Absent: Mark Stenglein, Gail Dorfman, R.T. Rybak, Marigrace Deters, Bill McCarthy, Todd Klingel

Staff: Bob Miller, Stacy Sorenson, Margaret Mountin, Barbara Lickness, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Gary Arntsen, Rosie Doege Dryden, Breanne Dalnes, Mary Petersen, Beverly Conerton, Leslie MacKenzie, Calder Hibbard, Jennifer Gisslen Lee, Justin Eibenholz, Katie Hatt

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 Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Ken Kelash the agenda was adopted with the addition of two items to the presentations portion: 1) an announcement from Cara Letofsky, and 2) a request by Jeffrey Strand to consider central office assistance for neighborhoods to comply with ADA requirements.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and second by Jeffrey Strand the minutes of the September 25, 2006 meeting were adopted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

1. Windom Neighborhood NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan

[NRP / FR#2006-13]

Rosie Doege Dryden, Breanne Dalnes and Mary Petersen presented the NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan on behalf of the neighborhood. The presentation included a summary of accomplishments from Windom's Phase I plan and an overview of the strategies in the Phase II plan. Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Ken Kelash 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 Windom neighborhood of \$291,018 based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP; and

WHEREAS: The Windom neighborhood conducted an extensive and inclusive Phase II neighborhood action plan development process; and

WHEREAS: The Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan requests a Phase II allocation at their guideline of \$291,018 and dedicates 70% of that allocation to housing programs, projects, services and activities.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board ("Board") hereby accepts and adopts the Windom NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan dated October 12, 2006; and

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor: [a] approve the Windom 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 \$291,018, which includes an Early Access request of \$18,695 from the Phase II Plan Development Fund; [b] amend the 2006 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) by \$92,509 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] refer \$46,254 to the 2007 budget and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$133,560 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 (\$185,018) 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 activities above.

2. Southeast Como NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan [NRP / FR#2006-14]

Calder Hibbard, Jennifer Gisslen Lee and Justin Eibenholz presented the NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan on behalf of the neighborhood. The presentation included a summary of accomplishments from Southeast Como’s Phase I plan, highlighting the successful environmental strategies, and an overview of the strategies in the Phase II plan. Upon a motion by Robert Lilligren and seconded by Ken Kelash, 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 Southeast Como neighborhood of \$556,043, 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 Southeast Como NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan that requests a Phase II allocation of \$556,043;

WHEREAS: The Southeast Como 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 Southeast Como NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor: [a] approve the Southeast Como 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 \$556,043; [b] amend the 2006 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) appropriation by \$194,615 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] refer \$97,308 to the 2007 budget and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$264,120 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 (\$389,230) 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.

3. Longfellow Neighborhood NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan

{NRP /FR#2006-15}

Presenting the Longfellow Neighborhood NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan were Beverly Conerton, Leslie MacKenzie and Katie Hatt. The presentation included a summary of accomplishments from Longfellow's Phase I plan, highlighting the leveraging of additional funds that occurred and an overview of the strategies in the Phase II plan. Upon a motion by Peter McLaughlin and seconded by Anita Duckor the following resolution was adopted with Cara Letofsky abstaining from voting.

WHEREAS: On April 19, 2004 the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board ("Board") approved a Phase II allocation for the Longfellow neighborhood of \$2,306,477 based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP;

WHEREAS: The neighborhood conducted a Phase II neighborhood planning process that began in June 2003 and has submitted a Longfellow Community NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan that requests a Phase II allocation of \$2,306,477;

WHEREAS: The Longfellow 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 Longfellow NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor: [a] approve the Longfellow 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 \$2,306,477; [b] amend the 2006 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) appropriation by \$770,071 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] refer \$385,035 to the 2007 budget and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$1,076,978.50 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 (\$1,614,534) 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.

V. **PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS**

1. **NRP Neighborhood Representative Election**

Bob Miller reported that a total of fifteen candidates have filed for election and that there are now candidates in all categories. The election is to be held on December 12th.

2. **Grant Program for Neighborhood Outreach**

Cara Letofsky reported that CPED has a first of its kind grant program aimed at helping neighborhood organizations reach out to new arrivals and non-English speaking residents. She then announced a workshop to be held on October 27th at the University of Minnesota's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs.

3. **Assistance for Neighborhoods for ADA Compliance**

Jeffrey Strand reported that he would be putting together a recommendation for future consideration that would request that the NRP's central office provide assistance to neighborhoods for ADA compliance.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jon Olson, Chair