

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

September 24, 2001

Present and Voting:

Gretchen Nicholls (At-Large Alternate), Jeffrey Strand, Nicholas Kakos, Peter McLaughlin, Sharon Sayles Belton, Barret Lane (Alternate City Council), Rep. Joe Mullery, Joanne Walz (Alternate for Emmett Carson), Ken Kelash (Alternate for Dick Johnson), Denise Stephens (Alternate for David Jennings), Diane Hofstede and Mark Stenglein, chair, presiding.

Alternates Attending:

Absent:

Judy Schwartau, Holliar Tyner, Gail Dorfman, Jackie Cherryhomes, Edward Solomon, Catherine Shreves, Emmett Carson, James Colville, Dick Johnson, John Powell, David Jennings

Staff:

Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:

Jeff Schneider, Bob Cooper, Lori Olson, Chuck Ballentine, Steve Cramer, Jay Heffern, Pat Born, Arlin Waelti, John Utley, Doroth Mayer, Kim Vohs, Carol Pass, Julia Burman, Gary Arntsen, Steve Brandt

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mark Stenglein, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center. Although a quorum was not present, it was agreed to proceed with the presentation from the Community Development Work Team.

II. PRESENTATION

1. Community Development Work Team

The Community Development Work Team made an initial presentation at the July 23, 2001 meeting of the Policy Board. Members of the team, Chuck Ballentine, Pat Born, Steve Cramer and Bob Miller presented their findings and the material that will be shared with the public at a series of neighborhood meetings to be held in October. In addition, Arlin Waelti, legal counsel, presented responses to legal questions presented by the work team. A copy of the presentation is attached.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Nicholas Kakos and seconded by Ken Kelash the agenda was adopted.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Denise Stephens the minutes of the August 20, 2001 meeting were adopted.

V. POLICY ITEMS

1. Conflict of Interest Policy

[NRP / PR#2001-13]

Bob Miller presented the revised conflict of interest policy. It was the consensus of the Policy Board that this policy has had proper review by the neighborhoods and should be adopted. If in the future there is a need for additional revision, amending the policy is certainly an option for the Policy Board to pursue. Upon a motion by Sharon Sayles Belton and seconded by Ken Kelash, the policy was then adopted. A copy of the policy is attached.

2. Interim Funding for Neighborhoods

Bob Miller presented a position paper on the options the Policy Board has available to sustain neighborhood activities until funding is identified for Phase II. In the review of these options, consensus was reached that these recommendations will continue to be reviewed at the next meeting during the discussion of the annual budget.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

1. Sheridan Neighborhood Action Plan Modification #6[NRP / FR#2001-13]

Upon a motion by Sharon Sayles Belton and seconded by Jeffrey Strand the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) policy on "Changing Approved Action Plan and Early Access Requests" policy (approved by the NRP Policy Board on June 6, 1994 and amended on September 5, 1995) the Board hereby approves the Director's recommendation and authorizes the creation of a new strategy in the approved Sheridan Neighborhood Action Plan to fund upgrades to the Sheridan School parking lot; and,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby approves the allocation of \$14,886 of Minneapolis Public Schools "Second 7.5%" NRP funds for this new strategy to fund parking lot upgrades at Sheridan School; and,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the MCDA Board of Commissioners authorize the appropriate MCDA officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

2. Sumner Glenwood Action Plan Modification #4 [NRP / FR#2001-14]

Upon a motion by Joanne Walz and seconded by Sharon Sayles Belton the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts the following modification (Plan Modification #4) to the Sumner Glenwood Neighborhood Action Plan dated January 1996:

Reallocate \$55,666.51 of unobligated funds from the "Bethune School Parking Lot" strategy (Crime and Safety A.3., page 9) to the "Glenwood Lyndale Clinic" strategy (Health Services A.2., page 7)

3. Performance Review of the Director (July 1, 1999- June 30, 2000)
[NRP / FR#2001-15]

Diane Hofstede presented the results of the Personnel Committee's review of the Director. The committee recommended that the Director's salary compensation be increased by one step retroactive to July 1, 2000. Upon a motion by Nicholas Kakos and seconded by Ken Kelash the recommendation was adopted.

4. Additional Item

Peter McLaughlin ask that the record reflect that two days before the newspaper article on the Mona Mode Neighborhood Early Learning Center, which was supported by \$800,000 in NRP funding, the Minneapolis School Board agreed to open the center. He further stated, as chair of the Youth Coordinating Board, that efforts are being made to make sure that this new facility is fully utilized.

At this point in the meeting the chair turned the meeting over to the vice-chair for continued discussion on interim funding for neighborhoods. However, given the lateness of the hour, the quorum was lost and the meeting was adjourned.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Mark Stenglein, Chair