

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

February 25, 2002

Present and Voting:

Ron Ravensborg, Julia Burman, Carol Pass, Nicholas Kakos (Alternate for Protection), Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, R. T. Rybak, Barret Lane (Alternate for City Council), Bob Fine, Joanne Walz (Alternate for Emmett Carson), Byron Laher (Alternate for James Colville), Denise Stephens (Alternate for Louise Dickmeyer), Diane Hofstede and Ken Kelash, vice chair, presiding

Alternates Attending:

Judy Schwartz, Greg Bastien

Absent:

Jeffrey Strand, Mark Stenglein, Paul Ostrow, Rep. Joe Mullery, Catherine Shreves, Emmett Carson, James Colville, Bill McCarthy, John Powell, Louise Dickmeyer

Staff:

Bob Miller, Brett Feldman, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:

Jeff Schneider, Gary Arntsen,

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ken Kelash, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Diane Hofstede and seconded by Barret Lane the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Peter McLaughlin and seconded by Diane Hofstede the minutes of the January 28, 2002 meeting were adopted.

IV. POLICY ITEMS

1. Report of the Nominating Committee

Byron Laher reported that in addition to himself, Peter McLaughlin and Julia Burman served as the nominating committee. The committee recommends the following slate of

officers: for chair, Diane Hofstede, for vice-chair, Jeffrey Strand, and for secretary, Ken Kelash. He then moved and Joanne Walz seconded this slate of officers for election. Vice-chair Kelash then called for additional nominations. There were no further nominations so Nicholas Kakos moved and Bob Fine seconded that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for this slate of officers. The motion carried unanimously and the new officers were duly elected.

At this point in the meeting Diane Hofstede assumed the chair, thanked the outgoing officers for their service and continued the meeting.

2. NRP Personnel Policy Handbook Revision

Bob Miller informed the Board that changes have been made to the NRP Employee Handbook in the conflict of interest section to conform with the Board 's recently adopted conflict of interest policy. The changes were received and filed.

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. Phase II Participation Agreement for Jordan [NRP / FR#2002-04]

Bob Miller reminded the Board that they allocated \$97,711 in Phase II funding for Jordan to initiate Phase I review, complete a Participation Agreement and begin Phase II planning. The Jordan Participation Agreement is now completed and is ready for Policy Board approval. Upon a motion by Nicholas Kakos and seconded by Ken Kelash the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) Phase II Guidelines adopted on July 24, 2000, the Board hereby approves the Jordan Neighborhood's Participation Agreement as approved by the Jordan Area Community Council (JACC) Board on November 12, 2001, and authorizes the Jordan neighborhood to begin its NRP Phase II plan development activities. This approval is contingent upon JACC's completion of the neighborhood's NRP Phase I Plan Review.

2. Marcy-Holmes Plan Modification #21 [NRP / FR#2002-05]

Bob Miller presented this plan modification because Board approval is needed for new strategies. The neighborhood created this new strategy to fund development of a master plan for Marcy-Holmes. In discussion of coordination of planning strategies, Joanne Walz asked that the Board review the specifics of how Marcy-Holmes will be developing their master plan. Upon a motion by Nicholas Kakos and seconded by Gail Dorfman 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 Marcy-Holmes Neighborhood Action Plan to fund the development of a neighborhood Master Plan; and

RESOLVED FURTHER: That \$70,000 be reallocated from three strategies: \$35,000 from the Motion Detector strategy (Crime and Safety: A.3.C page 10) and \$20,000 from the Linkage with Riverfront strategy (Environment: C.2. page 15) and \$15,000 from the Dinkytown Streetscaping strategy (Economic Development: B.2. page 18-19) to this newly created Plan Review and Development strategy; 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.

3. East Calhoun Neighborhood Plan Modification #5 [NRP / FR#2002-06]

Board approval is needed for this new strategy to fund a land survey for the Loon Lake Trolley Walking Path. Upon a motion by Bob Fine and seconded by Nicholas Kakos the following resolution was adopted with Nicholas Kakos abstaining.

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 East Calhoun Neighborhood Action Plan to fund a land survey of the Loon Lake Trolley Walking Path; and,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That \$5,000 be reallocated from the Traffic and Pedestrian Safety strategy 1.1.1 (Traffic Study) to this newly created Loon Lake Trolley Survey strategy; 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.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

Mayor R. T. Rybak reported that McKinsey & Company is conducting a study on how Minneapolis should do Community and Economic Development. They have given the City Council a presentation on the first phase of their study. He then introduced Jack Dempsey and Heather Bomstra who then reviewed their first findings with the Policy Board.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Diane Hofstede, Chair