

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

May 20, 2002

Present and Voting:

Ron Ravensborg, Julia Burman, Carol Pass, Mark Stenglein, Peter McLaughlin, Paul Ostrow, Erik Takeshita (Mayor's Office), Edward Solomon (Alternate for Park Board), Byron Laher (Alternate for James Colville), Ken Kelash (Alternate for Bill McCarthy), and Jeffrey Strand, vice-chair, presiding

Alternates Attending:

Judy Schwartau, Nicholas Kakos

Absent:

Gail Dorfman, R.T. Rybak, Rep. Joe Mullery, Bob Fine, Sharon Henry-Blythe (excused), Emmett Carson, James Colville, Bill McCarthy, John Powell, Louise Dickmeyer, Diane Hofstede (excused)

Staff:

Bob Miller, Brett Feldman, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:

Jeff Schneider, Elizabeth Hinz, Mary Merrill Anderson, Jennifer Ringold, Judd Rietkerk, Tim Welsh, Jack Dempsey, Marie Houser, Gary Arntsen

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jeffrey Strand, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Judy Schwartau the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Judy Schwartau and seconded by Ken Kelash the minutes of the April 22, 2002 meeting were adopted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS / CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Byron Laher, the following items on the consent agenda were adopted.

1. Minneapolis Schools “Second 7.5%” NRP funds for Kenwood

[NRP / FR#2002-11]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board hereby approves the use of up to \$14,518 of Minneapolis Schools “Second 7.5%” NRP funds for improvements to the Kenwood Community School playground.

2. Minneapolis Schools “Second 7.5%” NRP funds for Phillips

[NRP / FR#2002-12]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board hereby approves the use of up to \$250,000 of Minneapolis Schools “Second 7.5%” NRP funds for Andersen School / Stewart Park playground and parking improvements.

3. Hennepin County “Second 7.5%” NRP funds for Phillips

[NRP / FR#2002-13]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board hereby approves the use of up to \$52,600 of Hennepin County’s “Second 7.5%” NRP funds to support funding Aprendamos Computacion at the South Area Family Resource Center at Andersen School in the Phillips neighborhood.

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. McKinsey and Company Report

Jack Dempsey and Tim Welsh presented, on behalf of McKinsey and Company, a summary of Phase I findings previously presented to the City Council on March 25, 2002. They projected that the second phase of their work, which will be recommendations on options for change, will be finished and presented to the City Council in mid-June. Following the presentation, members raised questions and expressed concerns about the direction that the consultants were going with their finding.

2. Park Board Presentation

Mary Merrill Anderson, Superintendent of Parks, presented an overview of how the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board operates, its history of involvement with NRP and some highlights of projects done with NRP as a partner during Phase I. She also pointed out some of the lessons learned from this partnership and projected some of the future challenges for the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board. Neighborhood involvement in park project planning and NRP funds as a source of additional revenue to support future projects were stressed as crucial for the continued success of the partnership between the NRP and the Park Board. A copy of her presentation and a listing of future park projects will be made available to Policy Board members.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jeffrey Strand, Vice-chair