

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

November 21, 2011

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, DeWayne Townsend, Carol Pass, Nicholas Kakos, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Jeremy Hanson Willis (Alternate, Mayor's Office), Barbara Johnson, Rep. Joe Mullery, Annie Young, David Ellis, Sen. Ken Kelash

Alternates Attending: Wizard Marks, Tom Bissen, Jeffrey Strand, Rep. Karen Clark

Absent: R.T. Rybak, Mark Stenglein, Gail Dorfman, Lydia Lee (excused), Bill McCarthy

Staff: Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Michael Norton, Chiffon Williams, Brad Conley, Brad Pass, David Rubedor, Jay Clark, Jana Metge, Gary Arntsen, Mary Gonsior, Mahamed Cali, and other interested citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Senator Kenneth Kelash, chair of the NRP Policy Board, called the meeting to order at 4:42 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by DeWayne Townsend and seconded by David Ellis the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by David Ellis and seconded by DeWayne Townsend the minutes of the October 24, 2011 meeting were adopted, with Annie Young abstaining.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

1. East Phillips Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan [NRP / FR#2011-10]

Bob Miller reported that all the issues that prevented the plan from being adopted at the October meeting have been resolved and in addition the plan now has had a legal review. Mary Gonsior presented, on behalf of the neighborhood, additional background about efforts made to include people in the development of the plan. Chiffon Williams and Jay Clark also testified about the citizen engagement efforts made in East Phillips. Annie Young moved and David Ellis seconded the following resolution, which was then adopted.

WHEREAS: On April 19, 2004, the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) established the Phase II allocation available for the East Phillips neighborhood at \$489,220 based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP,

WHEREAS: The East Phillips neighborhood has conducted an appropriate and responsible Phase II plan development process,

WHEREAS: The submitted East Phillips NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan requests an allocation of \$489,220 and dedicates more than seventy percent (72.21%) of that allocation to housing programs, projects, services and activities,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts the East Phillips Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor [a] approve the East Phillips 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 \$489,220; [b] amend the 2011 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) by \$489,220 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; and [c] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. NRP Termination Agreement

The most recent draft documents from the City and from NRP's legal counsel, Michael Norton were distributed. Michael Norton then proceeded to explain the differences. The main discussion point in section three of the document was about current NRP staff and how their layoff, severance, rehire in the new department, and participation in the City's job bank will be affected by this agreement. In section four, the issue discussed was about current and possible future claims made against the NRP. The issue of insurance coverage also was discussed. The consensus was that further work be done on this agreement by the attorneys involved, Bob Miller and David Rubedor.

2. Director's Severance

The meeting was closed at 6:10 pm to discuss the performance of the director and related severance issues. The meeting was reopened at 7:05 pm.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. NRP Neighborhood Representative Election

The Neighborhood Representative Election was held on November 17, 2011. The following persons were elected.

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| At-Large | Debbie Evans | Representative |
| | Wizard Marks | Alternate |
| Protection | Jeffrey Strand | Representative |
| | Nicholas Kakos | Alternate |
| Revitalization | Brad Conley | Representative |
| | DeWayne Townsend | Alternate |
| Redirection | Carol Pass | Representative |
| | Tom Bissen | Alternate |

2. Recognition of the Policy Board Staff Secretary

Carsten Slostad, Policy Board staff secretary for the past 18 years, was presented a plaque and thanked for his service.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Ken Kelash , Chair