



Payne-Phalen

DISTRICT FIVE PLANNING COUNCIL

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Payne Phalen District Five Board of Directors Meeting Draft Minutes

Tuesday, October 25, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

Arlington Hills Community Center, 1200 Payne Avenue, St. Paul (Payne and Maryland Avenues)

Board Directors Present:

Roger Allmendinger	P	Danette Allrich-Osano	P	Valentine Awasom	L
		Spencer Cardinal	P	Annie Davidson	P
Mark Dawkins	A	Charles Dexter	A	Richard Finch Jr.	L
Eric Foster, President	P	Britt Graupner	P	Nick Hayen	P
Athena Hollins	L	Felipe Illescas	A	Dan Rodriguez	L
Eric Saathoff	P	Keith Schmalzbauer	P	Maychy Vu	E
Marny Xiong	P	Ploua Yang	A	Bill Zajicek	P

P= Present, L= Late, A= Absent, E = Excused Absence,

Community Participants & Guests: Joanne Ellis, Keith Ellison county commissioner office

Staff: Lissa Jones-Lofgren, Interim Executive Director

Quorum Established

Agenda Review and Approval – Eric Foster

Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions – Eric Foster, Board President, called the meeting to order and read the Mission Statement to remind us of our shared purpose.

Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan 2040 – Lissa Jones-Lofgren, outlined the St. Paul Comprehensive Plan for 2040. She emphasized that District 5 has not submitted proposals for the St. Paul Comprehensive Plans since the 1970s. We will also be launching a radio campaign to raise awareness for our planning efforts regarding the Plan for 2040. This outreach will be specifically tailored to encourage input from community members who are not currently engaged with the activities of District 5.

Athena suggested we look closely at what other Districts on the East Side are doing in an effort to work collaboratively towards common goals. Lissa mentioned reaching out to local businesses and organizations as well such as ESND. Bill reminded everyone that a preliminary Plan was drafted by District 5, but was not finalized and so city action was not taken on it. The Board also discussed the previous history of inequality with regards to the planning process and how this can be prevented in the current planning cycle. Lissa mentioned that one of the best ways to overcome previous barriers of inequality is to reach out to diverse communities for their input. The St. Paul Innovations Fund will be used to help find ways to gather input from persons who are otherwise unable to attend Board functions or have their voices heard by the Board.

Public Input and Comments – Joanne reminded the Board of the Juvenile Justice Program will be hosting an informational session at Battle Creek. This will focus primarily on joint efforts with Hennepin County.

District 5 Board Fundraiser, Bill provided an update for the District 5 fundraiser for November at Tongue in Cheek.

Committee Reports:

Transportation Committee – Eric Saathoff, outlined the recent successes of the committee including the implementation of bike lanes on Payne Ave. He also informed the Board of a test project by the city to alter the travel lanes on Maryland Ave to prevent pedestrian deaths. This will be designed to determine if permanent lane changes should be made. This would reduce Maryland Ave to two lanes with a center turn lane.

Finance Committee – Annie Davidson encouraged attendance at the next meeting for budget planning and upcoming plans for changes to our accounting procedures and practices.

CPED – Eric Foster encouraged more attendance to CPED meetings by Board members. Lissa reminded everyone that CPED has a large amount of power over local issues and that many of the members of CPED are not elected members of the Board itself.

Executive Committee – Eric Foster informed the Board of the timeline for hiring a permanent Executive Director. The Exec committee will follow up with this initial timeline for the November Exec meeting and will bring recommendations to the Board for the November Board meeting.

Interim Executive Director Report, Lissa highlighted Board accomplishments for the month of October including grant proposals

Consent Agenda

1. Board of Directors Draft Minutes from (August), 2016.
2. Draft CPED Committee Minutes from (October), 2016.
3. Finance Committee Meeting (August) 2016
4. August 2016 Finance Report

Motion (Keith): To approve the consent agenda as submitted.

2nd: Athena

Motion passed

December Board Meeting – Eric Foster reminded the Board that the last meeting of the year is usually dedicated to a social gathering. Last year, the Board went to the Flat Earth Brewery after the meeting. Eric then opened the floor for further suggestions.

The Board then entered into a closed Executive Session.

Adjournment

Adjourned unanimously.

Minutes submitted by Nick Hayen, Board Secretary