



Payne-Phalen COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Community Meeting

Tuesday, September 24th, 2019 6:30 p.m.

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

Board Directors: Ikram A, Patricia E, Stuart K, Chris S, Athena H, Rebecca N, Britt K, Janey A (late)

Community Participants & Guests: Jacob J, Joann E, Don L, Regina R, Damian S

Staff: Jack B, Robin H

Welcome: Introductions and Review of the Agenda

Presentations and Discussion:

1. Update to the Payne Phalen District Plan: Progress report and update on work related to Pre-Planning activities: Jack Byers, Executive Director

Tabled due to technical difficulties and missing board members

2. Tedesco Road Project: City of St Paul Public Works Department, Presenter: Cheng Xiong & Chris Engelmann Project manager

Reconstruction of Tedesco from Lafayette to Payne Ave Provides smoother surface, improved storm drainage and bike connection. Design phase is almost done, street reconstruction beginning May/June 2020 done by the end of 2020. Includes upgrading lighting, urban forest (trees). Proposing to reconfigure triangle at Otsego, Desoto, Tedesco but will need to do more research.

Donald Lorr asks about the triangle between Desoto and Otsego. Public art that is there would it have to be moved? Chris E. is not sure. Will have to look at history, purpose etc.

Public Comment/Input

Damien Schaab reports the Swede Hollow Master Plan has been finalized but is not set in stone. Community Input is welcome still.

Board Deliberation, Votes, and Reports

3. Approval of Minutes: Board Minutes for August Meeting no quorum and minutes have not been submitted yet
4. Financial Report Janey now officially has access

5. Update: Arcade St Working Group Have a questionnaire that will eventually be distributed or “door knocked”

6. Community Events and Activities:

- Back to School event at Bruce Vento School, Aug 28th. Thank you!
- Back to school event was wonderful. Surveys had lots of feedback. Found that the kids engaged well and Math was a favorite subject.
- Harvest Fest Parade, September 28th. No Parade entry from PPCC this year, please attend and cheer on our community partners from the sidelines.
- East Side Community Festival (after the parade) Volunteers needed!
- Metro Transit Network Next Community Conversation on transit access. Grant awarded to PPCC to host a community conversation this Fall, Date TBD Volunteers needed! Specifically about how transit is working and getting feedback from the community on this.

Upcoming City Council Candidate Forums

- Ward 6 Candidate Forum on *St Paul's Energy Future*: October 1st 6:30-8 pm at Arlington Hills Community Center 1200 Payne Ave
- Ward 5 Candidate Forum: October 10th, 7-8:30pm Washington technology Magnet School, 1145 Rice St
- Ward 6 Candidate Forum on *Housing Issues*: October 5th, 10-11:30 am Hazel Park Preparatory academy gym. 1140 White Bear Ave
- Ward 6 Candidate Forum: October 23rd 7-8:30 pm Arlington Hills Community Center 1200 Payne Ave
- Stop Gun violence at AHLCC Richard Pittman 6-8 Thursday and co-hosted by NAACP

Adjournment of the Public Meeting

Immediately following the Community Meeting the Board of Directors will hold a Closed-Door Session to discuss Board Matters. This portion of the meeting is closed to the Public.

Can't do this as we do not have a quorum

ADJOURNMENT of Closed-Door Session

8:00 PM

- **Next meeting:** *October 22, 2019* at the Arlington Hills Community Center, 1200 Payne Avenue