



Payne-Phalen COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Community Meeting

Tuesday, January 28th, 2020 6:30 p.m.

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

Board Directors: Krishna Natarajan, Janey Atchison, Athena Hollins, Patricia Enstad, Stuart Knappmiller, Lynette Harris, Rebecca Nelson, John Thompson

Community Participants & Guests: Nicole P., Dave & Sue K., Regina R., Joann E.
(Commissioner McDonough's office)

Staff: Executive Director Jack Byers, Administrative Assistant Robin Horkey

Welcome: Introductions and Review of the Agenda

Updates:

Board Retreat set for Saturday March 7th from 9-2. Lead consultant from Propel Amanda Ziebell will be leading retreat.

East Side Housing Summit/East Side Housing Justice (Seanne). Seanne is out sick, info in packet, encapsulates the work that has been done, where they are going including working in collaboration with other housing groups.

Arcade Street Working Group (Eric). Meeting tomorrow at the District Council office at 6:30 with MnDot. Looking at traffic flow and how a conversion will impact businesses, residents, bike riders, pedestrians.

Update to the District Plan: Transition from Phase 1 to Phase 2 (Jack). Moving from preplanning to actual planning. Have been aligning talent, resources and scope of the project and we can begin implementing Zipper strategy. Large part includes the Public, in the actual gathering of the data and input, assessment and analysis. Will hire Springboard for the Arts to help us find Artists to design public engagement events. The Council will be working on the Strategic planning simultaneously and merge at points. Intention is to have a planning document with help from the Artist and a document to record our process for future Boards and other District Councils. Two foundation grants have been awarded to help in this process, \$45,000 from Bigelow Foundation & \$30,000 from St Paul Foundation.

Decisions made by the Board of Directors:

Scope document for the update to the District Plan

Community Partners for the Update to the District Plan

Acceptance of grant from the Bigelow Foundation for the Update to the District Plan

Acceptance of grant from the Saint Paul Foundation for the Update to the District Plan

Athena asks about the guidelines for the grants? Restrictions? Expectations? Jack says the scope, plan expectations are pretty much what is asked for. Community engagement is the key, Artist led engagement, East Side based with people of color.

Nicole, community member asks for few clarifications regarding process of engagement, grants names and outcome of the Artists engagement.

Patricia asks about selection of the Artists. RFQ will be going out soon, ending March 1st. Interviews will be conducted in middle of March.

Janey makes motion to approve scope document to update the plan, Lynette seconds. Motions passes.

Janey makes motion to accept Community Partners for the update to the district plan, Athena Seconds. Motion passes.

Janey motions to accept Bigelow Grant, Patricia seconds, motion passes.

Janey motions to accept St Paul Foundation Grant, John seconds, motion passes.

2020 Budget Janey and Jack met, everything with a star is funded through the grant. Health insurance changed slightly. Patricia motions to accept Budget, Krishna seconds motion passes.

Convening of recruitment Committee for Annual Meeting/Elections on April 28th. Board of 17 will have two vacancies, 6 seats up for re-election. Will happen on April 28th Annual meeting.

Nominating committee: Continuing to look for diversity especially from our Asian community. Patricia, Athena, Janey. Joanne will help count ballots.

Silent Auction/Food: Krishna, Bill, Stuart & Lynette, Patricia

Other Business

Financial Report (Janey Atchison) For whole year, budgeted \$155,566.00 and spent \$160,004.71 plus with the line of credit looking like we are -\$10,254.73 but we were able to "prebuy" for this year, office supplies and building out the rent & utilities. Puts us back around even.

Athena brings up vacancy on Executive committee At Large position, Patricia & Stuart are interested.

Janey motions to approve October minutes, Athena seconds. Motion passes.

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8:00 PM

➤ ***Next meeting:*** Wednesday, *February 26th, 6:30 pm* at the Eastside Freedom Library