



Payne-Phalen

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes for the Community Meeting

Tuesday, July 27th, 2021, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom Conferencing

Welcome: Introductions and Review of the Agenda 6:30 pm

Attendance: Rebecca Nelson, Ikram Ali, Marci Exsted, Janey Atchison, Athena Hollins, Jacob Jurss, Patricia Enstad, Kelsey Canaday, Stuart Knappmiller, Bill Zajicek, Seanne Thomas

Staff: Jack Byers Executive Director, Administrative and Outreach Assistant Robin Horkey

Community and guests: Bill Dermody, Emma Siegworth, Joann Ellis, Greg Copeland, Don Lorr, Justine LaCroix, K. Bergland

Developing the Payne-Phalen District Plan: 6:35 pm

Chapters: Land Use, Transportation, Housing and Economic Development:

1. *Presentation and Discussion:* Transit-Oriented Development (TOD), Bill Dermody, Senior Planner, City of St. Paul: Presentation was forwarded to the board. Bill is D5's planner. Rush Line (to open in 2026) and H Line are in PPCC. The H Line is an East-West connector to be built in 2028-2030. TOD would include underground parking, bike parking, easier access to employment, decreased cost of living, health and well-being, efficient transit network, housing and economic development, and environmental protection. We should engage in Advanced Station Area Planning by late 2021/early 2022 and update our district plan. We looked at Earl and Maryland, 1059 Maryland, the huge parking lots near Seeger Square, both drug store lots. Could housing have been included above them? Businesses need to own their buildings. Many BIPOC businesses close due to rent hikes. Economic development strategy must accompany transit planning.

Business items: 7:50 pm

2. Approval of minutes from recent meetings: (Stuart Knappmiller, Secretary) Approved with corrections.
3. PPCC Monthly Financial Report and Status (Janey Atchison, Treasurer)
4. Update: Fundraising and Nominations Committees will meet jointly 8/4.

Announcements, updates, and upcoming business:

8:00 pm

- Save the date: Payne-Phalen Community Council Annual Meeting and Elections, Saturday, September 25th, 8-11 a.m., Arlington Hills Lutheran Church
- Wheelock Parkway Public Art Project: top 6 contacted, 3 on board.

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8:06 pm

- ***Next PPCC Community Meeting:*** Tues., August 24th, 2021, at 6:30 pm

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