



**Kingfield Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting May 10, 2017
7-9 PM MLK Park**

Members in attendance: Aaron Shaffer, Anthony Hsu, Ashley Siljenberg, Dan Myers, David Fenley, Hetal Dalal, John Sessler, Scott Mueller

Members absent: Dan Swenson-Klatt, Erica Torres Bagaason, Lesa Hudak, Lisa Skrzeczkoskii-Bzdusek, Madelyn Sundberg

Others in attendance: Sarah Linnes-Robinson (staff), Dean Laite (alternate),
Guests: Terry White, Gus Fenton, Trevor Funk, Melissa Funk, Scott Pedersen, Kevin Walker

Meeting Chair: *David Fenley*

Meeting Secretary: *Anthony Hsu (sub for Lisa)*

Confirmed quorum: 8 Directors/7:05 PM

Green Party City Council Ward 8 Candidate

Terry White

- Moved from NYC in 2006
- Chose Minneapolis for following reasons
 - Jobs
 - Affordable housing
 - Progressive city status
 - Inclusive and accepting of immigrants, POC, non-traditional families
 - Vibrant arts community
 - Activism
- Why am I running?
 - Ecological wisdom built into city policy
 - Climate action plan developed in 2013 to be implemented
 - Work as operations manager makes me fit
 - In 2012, city council made decision to passed funding for football stadium
 - Currently \$28 million deficit in schools
 - Grassroots democracy to the city council
 - Tone at city hall needs to change

- Too many residents are being left behind while services like daycare are being left behind
- Campaign priorities
 - Inclusion as a way of life
 - Increased opportunity for education and employment
 - Safe environments
 - Increased funding for natural affordable housing fund
 - Loans and legal assistance for people facing eviction
 - City can do more to support small and minority owned business
 - Support \$15 minimum wage – need to tie into cost of living index
 - Supports community gardens and small food producers
- Election in November
- Campaign website

David: Our status as non-profit prevents us from participating in campaigns

I-35 and Lake Street Construction Overview

MnDot: Scott Pedersen, Kevin Walker

- Anticipate construction to begin August 14, 2017
- Go through 2021 construction season
- 40th street pedestrian bridge included
- southbound direction will be mnpass lane
- New exit ramp from southbound 35W to Lake Street
- New exit ramp from northbound 35W to 28th street
- Frankliln will close for 7 weeks
- Minimize impact for bridges over the freeway

Handouts

- Laid out staging of project and timeline
- Project information sheet

Typical methods of outreach have been emails blasts, open to more effective ways to reach community (ex: Twitter, email). Feedback

Last minute inclusion in summer newsletter

16.2% disenfranchised business

4.5 year project – hope that people will be trained in subsequent years

Q&A Portion

Dean: Suggestion to use block leaders

Scott: concern with pedestrian crossing at parts of Nicollet, what are we going to be doing?

- Proposing maintaining exits into the neighborhood but close entrance ramps from the neighborhood
- Upgrading crosswalks
- Bumpouts (ex: at 38th street)
- Proposed light at 38th Street and Stevens
- Sidewalks getting widened at 38th street and bike lanes getting produced

Hetal: Increased traffic projection?

- Routes parallel to corridor will fill up
- Increased all the way to Hiawatha

35W will open up to 6 lanes after 2019 construction season

Sarah: Where are entrance and exit ramps changing at 31st street and lake street

- New exit to 28th street
- Traffic modeling done shows that exit at 28th street that half the drivers using 31st street will use 28th street

Dean: Franklin Ave bridge, takes about half hour to get to the bridge, will these ramps be fixed

- Replacing 5th Ave south of Franklin will switch to one-way northbound
- Widening Franklin Ave bridge
- Adding left turn access on the bridge

Terry: What is impact when Super Bowl is here?

- Work will start this fall
- Temporary widening of
- Working on Portland Ave – completed this fall
- Working on Franklin Ave bridge
- Maintaining all current lanes
- First major traffic blocks won't occur until April 2018

Ashley: Anything being done to encourage alternative modes of transportation

- Encourage transit usage, van pools, car pools
- Callout from Ashley to use downtown employers to encourage other modes of transportation
- Partnering with U of M center of transportation to encourage telework and/or changing work hours
- Temporary park and rides
- Want to understand impact to existing services first

David: Will you be able to cutover and get off from 94 westbound to southbound 35W using 28th street?

- Reconstruct
- Both ways in 35W will now come under 65

David: Where does reconstruction of bridge fit in?

- Stage 4

Sarah: When will we see designs for 40th street bridge?

- Scott to send renderings of the design

Consent Agenda: David filed motion, Ashley seconded, unanimous in favor

2018 Budget Presentation

We will need to talk housing funds at this level and at redevelopment level soon

What are the rules for the money that is being returned from City of Minneapolis

In 2010, City of Minneapolis took a lot of money from neighborhoods

- Getting back \$45k (for housing and redevelopment)
- In Phase 2 NRP program, but not contracted to specific program
- Examples of use in the past: emergency funds for low-income homes, low interest loans

Redevelopment will have big conversation and board will be invited

- Ask: Bold when this meeting will happen in email

Board training: Normally there is a placeholder in budget

- If it's 10% of budget it would be discussed
- Authorized to sign check up to \$2500 without board approval

Empty Bowls expenses not yet in YTD expenses as the final check hasn't been written yet

Income is predicted to be the same but we are expected to carry forward a huge amount of money

- Difference is where we made up \$42
- Additional NRP \$\$ in project concepts that we can implement in the course of the year if someone comes up with a great idea – this year no one came up with one

We do have unrestricted \$\$\$ for food and fun

Aaron: proposed motion to pass budget, Anthony: second motion, unanimous in favor

Empty Bowls Wrap-Up

Recommendation from Lesa –

- Take 10% off the top for the organization
- Investment this year

Suggestion from Dan M

- Instead of thinking we spend \$6k on staff hours
- Reallocating staff hours to “community building”

30 hours of Cheryl, 40 hours of Sarah, 30 combined on-site

Moving forward – change the way Sarah and Cheryl does time card

Hetal: motion, Ashley: second, in favor: unanimous

KFNA retain \$1400 for staff expense

Write check to Beacon in amount of \$9385

GOTV Project

- Contributing KFNA and volunteer time to door knock and increase turnout for 2017 election
- Lyndale hired someone
- Sarah posed question to Brad, weren't we supposed to figure out how we as a community support or amend or edit the values statement that was developed at the meeting
 - Longer we don't have this value statement, the longer it will take to get out and actually do stuff
- Lyndale came up with draft of 8-point value statement
 - Take this out to community and ask is this something we really believe in
- Farmers Market is a good start, but it only hits certain demographic (i.e. Sunday morning off and money to spend at a farmer's market)
- Goal of grant is to raise voter turnout in other neighborhoods to level that Kingfield is at (precinct specifically)
 - 85% presidential, 40% city – Kingfield
- Pizza nights serving as a “conversation” night
- Ideas for parents too (ex: group playdates)
- Attending Aliveness Project lunch
- Hoping to host a mayoral and city council forum
- Bryant, Central, Lyndale in 8th Ward
- Help other neighborhoods replicate our success with election day festivities

ADA Policy

- Churches are exempt from ADA
- Sarah to ask whether policy notice is a city requirement to have visible at events, otherwise we can provide link on website
- City says we need to have an ADA policy

- Revisit in June for vote

Next Board Meeting: Moved up to June 7!