Kingfield Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting March 13, 2019
7-9pm MLK Park

Members in Attendance: Madelyn Sundberg, Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek, Scott Mueller, Elena Bretzman, Mike Skinner, Chris DesRoches
Members Absent: Ashley Siljenberg, Samantha Laesch, John Sessler, Hetal Dalal, Dan Myers, Dan Swenson-Klatt, Robert Roedl,
Others in Attendance: Sarah Linnes-Robinson (staff)
Meeting Chair:
Meeting Secretary: Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek
Confirmed Quorum: 6 members, quorum not reached

DISCUSSION

BUDGET: predicting less money in this year and less money in on a projects we normally make money on (i.e. oven, garden tour). Have been told from City to expect to be funded until January 31, 2020.

CPP 2018: What do we want to say about stakeholder involvement? We highlighted election outreach/turnout. We’ve created new partnerships that allow us to involve stakeholders in new roles including work with parks board for arbor day, beer run at open streets, citizen tree pruners. Should also mention how many board members are or have left to be on city commissions.

SOUTHWEST PARK PLANS: Consolidating comments – one concern with plan b is pollinator gardens are on MNDot’s easement, also worry about trash buildup there. Plan b also include “ice pathway” in winter. Concept b also liked because of splash pad, amphitheater, and multi-use field.

MINNEAPOLIS 2020: Southwest neighborhood associations taking the position that NCR is our best option in city to keep neighborhood funding so doesn’t do any good to throw them under the bus. Thought was to work with this to get this passed by city council. Northside neighborhoods wants to throw MCR under the bus and feels like they should not have been doing the writing or final result of this project. Northside now trying to delay the vote in order to guarantee funding for another year so they can work on this.
The framework that came out does not address any of the work that came out of the working groups suggestions or the comments that have come in over the past couple of years. This is just a staff recommendation from NCR.
Both Northside and Southside letters talk strongly about the benefits of neighborhoods. Every neighborhood admits that none of us do a good job about talking about the work we do that benefits the city in a cost-saving way.

Comments are due in 21 days, there have not been many comments so far so Kingfield really needs to give input.

How should we draft a letter? Should include that we assume city will realize benefit of supporting neighborhoods. We know that a lot of neighborhoods are asking for the vote to be delayed and we are concerned about the vagueness of the framework. Need to make clear what relationship/interaction is between neighborhood and cultural organizations. There is an interest to know how the two can partner together to benefit the community. What does NCR support include outside of the base funding – does it include everything in the list on pg. 6 of the framework (i.e. insurance, graphic design). No matter what the total amount of funds or the split is there needs to be a minimum amount of base funding to cover baseline expenses.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** *(Saturday, April 27th)*: goal of having on Saturday was for drawing in more people through an engagement. Confirmed that oven can be used but no indoor space available date. decided to risk outdoor space and get tents if needed. 4:00-6:00

E-Votes:

**SW Master Plan comments to the Park Board 3/25:** approved and sent.

**Ayes:**
Ashley  Scott  John
Lisa  Michael  Chris
Dan SK  Elena

**2020 Response Letter to NCR Department 3/28:** not enough votes for approval; not sent.

**Ayes:**
Dan SK  Dan M  Madelynn
Elena  Scott