

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

February 28, 2000

Present and Voting:

Gretchen Nicholls, Jason Amundsen, Clareyse Nelson, Nicholas Kakos, Mark Stenglein, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Ron Thaniel (Alternate for Sharon Sayles Belton), Edward Solomon, Albert Gallmon (Alternate for Judy Farmer), Joanne Walz (Alternate for Emmet Carson), Ken Kelash (Alternate for Dick Johnson), David Jennings, Diane Hofstede and Jackie Cherryhomes, Chair, presiding

Alternates Attending:

Walt Gutzmer, Barret Lane, Earnest Belton

Absent:

Sharon Sayles Belton, Rep. Karen Clark, Judy Farmer, Emmett Carson, James Colville, Dick Johnson, john powell

Staff:

Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:

Steve Cramer, Ed Janezich, Bob Cooper, Kathleen O'Brien, Jeff Schneider, Kent Robbins, Leslie Wintheiser and other interested government staff, interested citizens, and members of the press.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jackie Cherryhomes, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Clareyse Nelson and seconded by Jason Amundsen the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Ken Kelash and seconded by Edward Solomon the minutes of the January 24, 2000 meeting were adopted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion by Mark Stenglein and upon consent of the Policy Board the following items were adopted.

1. Logan Park Plan Modification #2 [NRP / FR#2000-03]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts Plan Modification #2 to the Logan Park Neighborhood Action Plan dated September 21, 1998; and

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Board hereby authorizes the Director to: (1) request that the City Council and the Mayor [a] amend the 2000 Minneapolis Community Development Agency (MCDA) appropriation resolution by increasing the NRP Program Fund CNR by \$83,550 and [b] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements needed to implement the activities described in this report; and (2) further request that the MCDA Board of Commissioners authorize the appropriate MCDA officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

2. Directors and Officers Insurance [NRP / PBR#2000-03]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby authorizes the Director to expend up to \$40,000 from the approved 2000 NRP Administrative Budget to secure director's and officers insurance for neighborhood organizations through Insurance and Surety Specialists.

V. POLICY ITEM

1. NRP Audit for Calendar Year 1998

Bob Miller reported to the Board that NRP Audit for Calendar Year 1998 is completed and the report of the Office of State Auditor has no findings that need to be addressed. Mark Stenglein moved and Ken Kelash seconded the motion to receive and file the audit report.

VI. PHASE II PLANNING DISCUSSION

Jackie Cherryhomes, chair, began the discussion by asking if there were any questions about the five models under consideration. Ron Thaniel asked if there was a clear understanding of the following four points. 1) Funding is based upon \$150.6 million in program funds; 2) \$19.8 million will be spend on NRP central administration and the Youth Coordinating Board; 3) Program contingency funds are included in the \$19.8 million; and 4) 52.5% of all NRP dollars need to go toward housing. There was agreement that these were correct understandings.

The Chair, recognizing that there were no further questions, asked that Gretchen Nicholls present the options that were developed by the Minneapolis Center for Neighborhoods. Ed Janezich assisted her in her presentation. Following the presentation, Policy Board members had the opportunity to ask questions on the option presented.

The Chair then recognized Steve Cramer, Executive Director of the MCDA, to present additional options. He distributed a one page summary sheet entitled "New Options" outlining two proposed hybrid options for consideration. He indicated that he had worked with Bob Miller in preparation of these options and then explained both of them in great detail. Bob Miller then distributed a set of three charts and a single page memo entitled "Creation of an NRP Phase II Housing Investment Trust Fund". Mr. Miller explained how the over / under median concept would work in option two to capitalize a set-aside fund using examples from the materials he distributed.

Gretchen Nicholls commended Mr. Miller and Mr. Cramer for the new options and **moved that the Policy Board submit the hybrid models, the one that Mr. Miller had developed and the one that Mr. Carmer had developed, and the model developed by the Minneapolis Center for Neighborhoods, for further development and refinement.** Jason Amundsen seconded the motion.

Nicholas Kakos moved a substitute **that the proposals referred for further definition be original models A and B or a combination of A and B.** Clareyse Nelson seconded the motion. Following an extensive discussion a roll call vote on the substitute motion was held. Voting for the substitute were Clareyse Nelson, Nick Kakos, Edward Solomon and Diane Hofstede. Voting against the substitute motion were Gretchen Nicholls, Jason Amundsen, Mark Stenglein, Peter McLaughlin, Gail Dorfman, Ron Thaniel, Albert Gallmon, Joanne Walz, Ken Kelash, David Jennings, and Jackie Cherryhomes. The substitute motion was defeated.

Edward Solomon asked for clarification on the original motion. He was unclear if the proposal from the Center for Neighborhoods was included. Jackie Cherryhomes then asked Gretchen Nicholls if the options presented by Steve Cramer and Bob Miller reflected the work done by the Center for Neighborhoods and if she was comfortable with that understanding. Ms. Nicholls indicated that the hybrid options covered the work of the MCN and expressed confidence that a good solution would result from further refinement of these two options. She concluded by indicating that the motion should reflect referral of only the hybrid options proposed by Mr. Miller and Mr. Cramer.

Nicholas Kakos then moved to amend by deleting “affordable” in the two proposals. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Seeing no further discussion, Jackie Cherryhomes called for a vote on the following motion. The motion was adopted with Nicholas Kakos voting against.

[NRP / PBR#2000-04]

RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board approves submitting the hybrid models, *items 1 and 2 in the one page document entitled “New Options”*, that were developed by Mr. Miller and Mr. Cramer for further analysis, development and refinement.

VIII. ADJORNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Jackie Cherryhomes, Chair