

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

October 21, 2002

Present and Voting:

Ron Ravensborg, Julia Burman, Carol Pass, Jeffrey Strand, Peter McLaughlin, Mayor R.T. Rybak, Paul Ostrow, Rep. Joe Mullery, Bill McCarthy, and Diane Hofstede, chair, presiding.

Alternates Attending:

Judy Schwartau, Greg Bastien, Nicholas Kakos, Erik Takeshita

Absent:

Mark Stenglein, Gail Dorfman, Bob Fine, Catherine Shreves, Emmett Carson, Byron Laher (excused), John Powell, Louise Dickmeyer

Staff:

Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present:

Jeff Schneider, Jennifer Ringold, Steve Brandt, Gary Arntsen, Annie Nelson and representatives from the Youth Coordinating Board

I. CALL TO ORDER

Jeffrey Strand, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. in Conference Room C-2350 in the Hennepin County Government Center. Because a quorum was not present, the agenda and the minutes were approved contingent upon reaffirmation at a later point in the meeting after a quorum occurs. Diane Hofstede, chair, arrived and created the quorum. The actions previously taken (adoption of the agenda and minutes) were then affirmed.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by R.T. Rybak and seconded by Paul Ostrow, the agenda was adopted.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Bill McCarthy and seconded by Paul Ostrow the minutes of the September 23, 2002 meeting were adopted.

IV. POLICY ITEMS

Prior to the discussion of the policy items on the agenda, Bob Miller distributed updated spreadsheets with Phase II plan development appropriations, allocations and expenditures and well as financial projections.

1. Youth Coordinating Board

[NRP / FR#2002-22]

Bob Miller reminded the Board that during the discussion of funding for the Youth Coordinating Board at the August meeting a motion was made (NRP / PR#2002-13) to revisit the discussion on NRP's support of the Youth Coordinating Board and determine the level of funding for 2003.

Jeffrey Strand distributed a motion for consideration by the Board for funding the Youth Coordinating Board. Julia Burman seconded the motion, which follows.

Whereas, the Policy Board of the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program ("NRP") has provided funding to the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board from the non-tax increment portion of the Common Project revenues pursuant to the City's NRP Ordinance since legal counsel has advised that funding for the Youth Coordinating Board is not permitted under the NRP Law, and;

Whereas, the NRP Policy Board historically has concurred with the City Council regarding an acknowledged substantial unmet need and severe lack of resources for disadvantaged youth in the City of Minneapolis, and has provided annual funding equal to one percent of the annual \$20,000,000 commitment made for neighborhood revitalization purposes under the NRP Ordinance, and;

Whereas, funding resources available to the NRP have been reduced due to property tax reform enacted by the State of Minnesota resulting in a proposed paradigm shift for the NRP to be funded at lower annual levels for a longer term than originally conceived, and;

RESOLVED: *That the NRP Policy Board hereby approves the transfer of \$110,000 for fiscal year 2003, which amount is equal to one percent (1%) of the anticipated committed revenue (\$11,000,000) for the NRP from the City of Minneapolis, from Neighborhood Revitalization Program Funds for youth initiatives as decided and directed by the Board of Directors of the Youth Coordinating Board, and;*

RESOLVED FURTHER: *That the NRP Policy Board urges the Youth Coordinating Board to enter into dialogue with the various neighborhood organizations in the City of Minneapolis to address specific issues of neighborhood goals and objectives that the Youth Coordinating Board's program may fulfill and what supplemental funding the neighborhood organizations may provide to the Youth Coordinating Board through NRP Action Plans.*

Discussion on the motion found members either supporting reduction of funding to the Youth Coordinating Board because of reduced revenues for the NRP program in Phase II or supporting full funding with the understanding that the Youth Coordinating Board will be using \$135,000 YCB in FY 2003 as it transitions to other funding sources. The remaining \$65,000 would be used to support youth initiatives approved by the YCB and the Policy Board.

Jeffrey Strand offered the following amendment to his original motion as a compromise position.

RESOLVED FURTHER: *That the NRP Policy Board approves the transfer of \$90,000 for the fiscal year 2003 for transition of Youth Coordinating Board programs away from NRP funding.*

No second occurred but discussion continued.

After considerable debate the chair reminded the Board that the original motion was the only motion on the floor and that the various suggestions to this point were not part of the motion. The staff secretary made a suggestion, serving in the role of parliamentarian, that a vote should be taken on the motion on the floor. If the resolution was defeated a new resolution could be proposed. The question was then called, the vote taken and the motion was defeated.

Nicholas Kakos then moved and Paul Ostrow seconded the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the NRP Policy Board hereby approves the transfer of \$135,000 to the Youth Coordinating Board (YCB) for the fiscal year 2003 for transitional purposes;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That \$65,000 be reserved for joint approval by the YCB and the Policy Board for mutually agreed upon projects;

RESOLVED FURTHER: That future commitments of the NRP to the YCB be limited to an amount not to exceed one percent (1%) of NRP's annual funding.

Ron Ravensborg asked to amend the resolution and just give the YCB the total \$200,000 without further review. This suggestion was not accepted.

Peter McLaughlin then moved to amend by deleting the third clause of the motion (1% of NRP revenues limit in future years). Ron Ravensborg seconded the amendment. The amendment was adopted and then the motion as amended was adopted.

2. Additional Agenda Items

Because of time limitations and the loss of a quorum, the additional items on the agenda for this meeting were postponed to the next meeting of the Policy Board.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Diane Hofstede, Chair