

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

January 25, 2010

Present and Voting: Debbie Evans, DeWayne Townsend, Carol Pass, Jeffrey Strand, Robert Lilligren (Alternate, City Council), Rep. Joe Mullery, Ken Kelash, Liz Wielinski, David Ellis and Gail Dorfman, chair, presiding.

Alternates Attending: Gordon Kepner, Nicholas Kakos

Absent: Peter McLaughlin, Mark Stenglein, R.T. Rybak, Barbara Johnson, Bill McCarthy

Staff: Bob Miller, Carsten Slostad

Others Present: Roberta Englund, Linda Coleman, Kerri Pierce Ruch, Gary Arntsen

I. CALL TO ORDER

Gail Dorfman, chair of the NRP Policy Board, called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Robert Lilligren and seconded by Ken Kelash, the agenda was adopted with the addition of an update from Bob Miller on the progress to address the items added to the approval of the NRP administrative budget.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Ken Kelash, the minutes of the November 23, 2009 and December 21, 2009 were adopted.

IV. POLICY ITEM

1. Appointment of the Nominating Committee

Gail Dorfman asked for volunteers to be on this committee. Cara Letofsky, although not in attendance at the meeting, indicated to the chair her willingness to serve as a representative of the mayor. The neighborhood representatives had selected, at their Board briefing meeting, Debbie Evans to represent the interests of the neighborhood representatives and David Ellis agreed to represent the community interest positions on the board. A slate of officers will be presented at the February 22, 2010 meeting for election.

V. **ACTION ITEM**

1. Webber-Camden NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan [NRP /FR#2010-01]

Linda Coleman, President of Webber-Camden and Roberta Englund, executive director of the Folwell Neighborhood Association (the contracted administrative services provider for Webber-Camden) represented the neighborhood. Roberta Englund presented the background on the plan development and a status report on the condition of things in this neighborhood. A frank discussion on housing issues including foreclosures and community building then occurred based upon the experiences presented by the neighborhood. Upon a motion by Jeffrey Strand and seconded by Rep. Joe Mullery the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS: On April 19, 2004, the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) established the Phase II allocation available for the Webber Camden neighborhood at \$652,678 based on the Phase II revenues projected for NRP,

WHEREAS: The Webber-Camden neighborhood has conducted a Phase II plan development process,

WHEREAS: The submitted Webber Camden NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan requests an allocation of \$652,678 and dedicates 76% of that allocation to housing programs, projects, services and activities,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Policy Board (Board) hereby accepts and adopts the Webber Camden Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan,

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board hereby authorizes the Director to request that the City Council and Mayor [a] approve the Webber Camden NRP Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan, and specifically those parts of the Plan that fall under City jurisdiction, for their Phase II allocation of up to \$652,678; [b] amend the 2010 General Appropriation Resolution to increase the Fund CNR0 (NRP Fund) by \$500,453 from existing fund balance for implementation of the approved Plan; [c] and authorize the appropriate City officers to reserve the remaining \$130,536 for Plan implementation in a reserve account within Fund CNR0 for future years expenditures on the approved Plan provided that no more than 80% (\$522,142) amount approved for the Plan shall be obligated in the first three (3) years after approval of the Plan; and [d] authorize the appropriate City officers to enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to implement the activities above.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

1. Status of Search for Directors & Officers Insurance

Bob Miller reported that he is looking forward to having a firm proposal for this insurance coverage for the neighborhoods within a few weeks. The preliminary proposals are also within budgetary limits. In addition, he reported that general liability coverage could be available to neighborhoods through a group policy as well. A insurance presentation will be on the agenda of the February 22, 2010 Policy Board meeting.

2. Administrative Budget and Transition Amendment

Bob Miller reviewed the budget approval and reported that he has been working with David Rubidor, director of the Neighborhood Community Relations Department, on a plan to detail one of NRP's staff members to assist the new department. He also indicated that he would present at the February meeting an update on the status of NRP resources and expenditures. During discussion, it was suggested to invite David Rubidor to attend the February meeting and give an update on the status of the NCR Dept.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Carsten Slostad, Secretary Pro Tem

ATTEST: Gail Dorfman, Chair