



Highland District Council
1978 Ford Parkway Saint Paul, Minnesota 55116
651-695-4005 Fax 651-695-4019
Email: info@highlanddistrictcouncil.org

Building a More Vibrant, Welcoming, and Safe Neighborhood

**Community Engagement Committee
January 23, 2018 6:45 PM
Highland Park Community Center**

Roll Call:

-Committee Members: Colleen Zuro-White, Sally Bauer, Amanda Willis, Michael Lindsey, Laura Merriam, Emily Hansen, Bob Whitehead, Ashley Newby, Brandon Long

-Absent: Sally Bauer

-Visitor: Peter Armstrong

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: Approved with change to Ashley's last name

Amanda Smith had to cancel due to illness

Community Engagement of D15 Plan is currently blank

District Plans are done every 10 years for every district in Saint Paul

- Falls under the city's comprehensive plan
- Dictated by the Metro Council
- Broken down into topics like land use, transportation, water, arts
- Couple hundred responses to our survey
- Ford Site has its own plan separate from this – although this touches on it
- You can go on the city's website to see each districts plan
- The committee for the D15 Plan needs help engaging the neighborhood for feedback
 - Ideas
 - Feedback form on the website that's pushed on via social media
 - Table at events
 - Highland Fest
 - Annual meeting
 - New Resident Welcome

Chair – Sally Bauer

Vice Chair – Michael Lindsay

Secretary – Brandon Long

Committee Members: Bob Whitehead, Colleen Zuro-White, Amanda Willis

Community Members: Emily Hansen, Laura Merriam, Ashley Newby

The Next Meeting Date of the Community Engagement Committee is February 27th, 2018



Highland District Council
1978 Ford Parkway Saint Paul, Minnesota 55116
651-695-4005 Fax 651-695-4019
Email: info@highlanddistrictcouncil.org

Building a More Vibrant, Welcoming, and Safe Neighborhood

- Break down the plan so it's very easy to digest
 - Come up with a different way to present rather than just "District Plan"
 - Success stories and what more we need to do from the last District Plan
 - Keep things simple
 - Two options- thoughts of what you think, anything to add?
 - Frogtown turned theirs into a graphic novel which is super awesome: <http://www.frogtownmn.org/smap12/>
- Plan was to have written and revised by the annual meeting – this now seems ambitious
 - Have done by fall? Sooner?
 - City really wants us to get as much feedback as possible
 - Have chunks of the plan and push out in segments, have guided questions to ensure responses (not everyone may have anything to add or criticize – want to know they looked at it though) plus an open ended feedback form for those that want to write more
 - Something in the Highland Villager?
 - Don't have budget for an ad
 - Graphs, iPad for feedback? Banner for table
 - Count folks who at least looked at the plan
 - Sign ins, email opens, guided questions

Innovation Fund

- \$5,700 available for District Councils who create plans for equity
- Every District Council will have an equity plan
 - Joe Mendyka with the city is coming to our March CEC meeting to talk more about this
 - Patty will send around what some other DC's have started
- This can help guide our ongoing engagement plan and ensure that we are documenting our progress
- Adding seats for renters, students, etc?

Chair – Sally Bauer

Vice Chair – Michael Lindsay

Secretary – Brandon Long

Committee Members: Bob Whitehead, Colleen Zuro-White, Amanda Willis

Community Members: Emily Hansen, Laura Merriam, Ashley Newby

The Next Meeting Date of the Community Engagement Committee is February 27th, 2018



Highland District Council
1978 Ford Parkway Saint Paul, Minnesota 55116
651-695-4005 Fax 651-695-4019
Email: info@highlanddistrictcouncil.org

Building a More Vibrant, Welcoming, and Safe Neighborhood

- Have someone from Mac Groveland to chat about how this works out for them
- Host Richard Holst at a CEC meeting
 - District 1 has students on board as young as 16
- Have someone from Neighborhood house to chat about what they are doing for engagement?

Ideas on what to spend Innovation Funds on – translations for the website?
Other materials? For community dinners? Other cultural events? Materials for door hangers?

Old/New Business:

- February presentation from Great River
- Updates on committees for next meeting

Adjourn: 7:40pm

Chair – Sally Bauer
Vice Chair – Michael Lindsay
Secretary – Brandon Long
Committee Members: Bob Whitehead, Colleen Zuro-White, Amanda Willis
Community Members: Emily Hansen, Laura Merriam, Ashley Newby

The Next Meeting Date of the Community Engagement Committee is February 27th, 2018