

BUILDING, LAND USE & HOUSING

Minutes of Committee Meeting

21 March 2013

Members Present: Paul Ireland, Jeremie Carlson, Dean Jacobson, Anna Snyder, Brian Maupin, Jerry Dustrud, Kathy Gyro, Anna Koch, Christina Skeesick, Christine Parker, Jonathan Heide, Jon High, Mike Nossner, Jeff Millikan, Doug Hoskin, Joanne Meany, Erica Hanson

Others Present: Anita Tabb, Cliff Swenson, Al Bangouras, Carletta Sweet, Dale White, Lynn Regnier

The meeting was convened at 7:02PM by Chair, Paul Ireland

The agenda was approved, as were the minutes for the January 2013 meeting.

Armory Building

Doug Hoskin, owner of the Armory Building, updated the committee on his proposed plans for the site. He displayed boards that illustrated a new interior floor plan that would accommodate a multi-event center, featuring a variety of concerts, exhibitions, special events, even an indoor market. Because the structure is on the National Historic Register, he has had to secure approvals from both local and national heritage preservation agencies. Those are now pretty much secure. Doug said he will be conducting a feasibility study in the next few months to determine just kind of financing he would need in order to proceed with the interior alterations.

Elliot Park Soccer Field

Anita Tabb, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Commissioner, announced that just the evening before the MPRB had approved funding for the installation of a regulation size soccer field in Elliot Park. In partnership with North Central University, the MPRB would contribute to the funding of the soccer field, which also would serve the needs of NCU's athletic programs (the university has Division III men's and women's soccer teams that presently have to go all the way to Coon Rapids to play). The next step will be, according to Anita, community forums on the proposal sponsored by the Park Board to ensure neighborhood support for the project. North Central also will seek to secure its part of the funding for the field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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