

BUILDING, LAND USE & HOUSING

DRAFT--Minutes - July 21, 2016

The meeting was convened at 6:00 p.m. by Lynn Regnier.

Members Present: Dan Collison; Karen Johnson; Michael Lazaretti; Katy Miketic; Dan Quirk; Becca Staley; Emanuel Tekle; Patti Wettlin;

Others Present: Dan Hunt, Hunt Associates; Christopher Palkowitsch, Managing Architect, BKV Group; Lynn Regnier, EPNI.

The agenda was approved as presented. M. Wettlin/Quirk.

The June 2016 meeting minutes were approved as presented. M. Wettlin/Staley.

1400 Park Avenue Apartments

Christopher Palkowitsch, Managing Architect-BKV Group, and Dan Hunt-Hunt Associates, presented new plans reducing the number of façade materials as suggested by city staff.

Motion to support the change of materials and design for 1400 Park Avenue Apartments as presented on 7-21-2016 (plans dated 07-19-2016). M. Quirk/Wettlin. Passed.

Dog Relief Area in Commons

The Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association has requested a dog-relief space in the Commons to accommodate the increased number of pet friendly residences in the area and for use by park visitors. The relief site would be located in the southeast corner of the park.

Discussion followed.

- Overall the Elliot Park community supports this relief site in the park but would like to see more sites both within the park and outside of the park to encourage use and to support the number of people and pets that live and visit here.
- Concern was expressed that this site alone, which is in the far southeast corner of the park area, might be too distant for regular use by the residents to the north and for park visitors as a whole.
- The community hopes that there will be signage to direct people to the relief site and that bags will be provided to encourage people to pick up after their pets.
- The community would be interested in seeing an off-leash dog park developed within the Commons or nearby.
- It was noted and agreed by all that pet owners add positively to the overall safety of the district by bringing people, activity and eyes to the streets from the early morning to late evening hours.
- The community supports working together with the DMNA and the Downtown Dog Grounds Committee to support increased public and private dog relief sites in the district.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EPNI Livability Task Force: August 1, 6 p.m. Segue on 11th Avenue.

EPNI Finance & Executive Committees: August 1, 5:30 p.m. EPNI office.

National Night Out: August 2

Celebrate at the Alliance - 719 E. 16th Street, 5-7:30 p.m.

Celebrate at Segue Coffee - 609 S. 10th Street, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Safe Summer Nights: August 9, 5-7 p.m. in Elliot Park.

Community Connect: August 13, 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. in Elliot Park.

BLUH Committee: August 18, 6 p.m., Elliot Park Recreation Center.

EPNI Livability Task Force: September 5-CANCELLED!!!

The meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted by Lynn Regnier: July 25, 2016.