

**BUILDING, LAND USE & HOUSING
DRAFT--Minutes – August 20, 2015**

The meeting was convened at 6:00 p.m. by Chair, Jerry Dustrud.

Members Present: Elizabeth Beissel, Yolanda Burckhardt; Jerry Dustrud, Bill Emory; Ryan Eckman; Sue Jagodinski, Shelby Maidl; Brian Nasi, Bill Peters; Dan Quirk; Anita Ramachandran; Millie Schafer, Becca Staley, Natalie Westberg; Patti Wettlin, Bert Winkel, Howard Young.

Others Present: John Campobasso, Mike Korsh-Kraus Anderson; Burt Coffin Lukas Van Sistine-ESC Architects; Brian Larson-Pope Architects; Jacquie Berglund, Dan and James-Finnegans; John Ampe-Bernick's; John Miller, Jaddie Edwards-Mill City High School; Eric Best-MN Premier Pub; Lynn Regnier and Kim Vohs, EPNI.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The June, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

MILL CITY HIGH SCHOOL

John Miller and Jaddie Edwards provided updates on the new public charter school scheduled to open on September 15th in the First Covenant Church education building. Construction work is nearly completed on the first floor space that they will be using this year. Approximately 115 students are currently enrolled and they hope to increase that number to 135-150 by opening day.

KRAUS-ANDERSON

Burt Coffin, ESC Architects, presented the new development plans and reviewed the process and work that has been underway, including two sessions with the EPNI Task Force. The development reflects the goals of the Elliot Park Master Plan and the City B4N zoning. The Kraus-Anderson headquarter building will be LEED certified and located on the northwest corner of the block, at 5th Avenue and 8th Street. It will be five stories and house 300 employees. The residential building will be 17 stories at the tallest point, stepping down on the perimeter to seven stories along South 9th Street. First floor units have street level entries mimicking the stoop design of nearby historic buildings. A boutique hotel, a Brew-tel, lines most of South 9th Street and includes a bar and restaurant. Next to that, facing west on 5th Avenue, is Finnegans brew-up with an event center and innovation center for social entrepreneurs. A center staged pedestrian/public courtyard connects the development together and creates a cohesive gathering place. All of the parking is underground and the many large expansive sections of glass will be transparent. Discussion followed regarding brewing smells which are likened to bakery yeast; a call for an additional hotel entrance or patio along 9th Street (They are looking at that); Appreciation for the expanded 9th Street/5th Avenue hotel entrance and the residential stoop that was added on 9th Street facing the Lenox. KA will need to vacate their current building during construction which is anticipated to begin early in 2016 and be completed in 18-24 months. The community was very pleased and thought that this was a handsome and well planned full-block development.

Motion to approve the concept of the Kraus-Anderson full-block development pending final design details. M. Schafer/Beissel. Passed Unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 22: Triangle Park Fun Day 11:30-12:30 NCU Rams lead Free Fitness Fun for all Ages

August 22-23: Fellowship Without Walls Saturday 10-6, Food, music, health screenings;
Sunday 9 and 11 a.m. Church services in the park: in Elliot Park

September 1: Soccer Field Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting 12:30 with ongoing tours, music,
games and celebrating throughout the day

September 7: CANCELLED!! Livability Task Force-4 p.m., The Alliance, 719 E. 14th Street,

September 17: BLUH Meeting - 7 p.m.-- WINTER HOURS! - Recreation Center, 1000 E. 14th Street

The meeting adjourned at 7:15. Respectfully submitted by Lynn Regnier: September 3, 2015.