



SCNA Board meeting:

Creekview Park

May 9th, 2006 revised and adopted June 13th, 2006

Attendees: SCNA Board: Mr. Jeff Strand(C), Mr. Jeff Johnson(VC), Ms. Gail Anderson(T)(e), Ms. Marie Castle(S)(e), Ms. Cheryl Anderson, Ms. Virginia Bratton(e), Mr. Hitchcock, Ms. Lucille Pomerleau(e), Mr. Lynn Hauger, Brock Hanson

Guests: Paul Domholt MPRB, Janet Monear TreeTrust, Monica Nilsson The Bridge

1. Welcome and Introductions by Chair Strand at 6:31pm
2. Motion to approve agenda, Mr. Hauger, Ms. C Anderson, m-c
3. The Bridge: Monica Nilsson, Margaret Miles:
 - a. Ms. Nilsson distributes information regarding "The Bridge" who help runaway youth from 10-16yrs old
 - b. The Bridge is asking SCNA to consider using NRP funds for new project
 - c. 22nd in Emerson in Uptown area 16-21yrs transitional housing
 - d. Need to learn independent learning skills to go into the regular workforce unlike those needing medical/more social
 - e. The project will have green roof to have space and meeting space for youth
 - f. Have 18 units and medical clinic, meeting space,
 - g. Will attach to former Kenwood Medical building for increased meeting space
 - h. 6.8 million 53% 3.3 million so far, are currently at 1.2 million shortfall
 - i. Is a resource to the whole community serving the youth in the City
 - j. The original Bridge is still in operation
 - k. First started in 1970 First in the Nation for dealing with emergency housing addressing youth, also have permanent housing
 - l. "The Bridge" is the inspiration for the song "Bridge over Troubled Waters"
 - m. Successes: Youth and Emergency Shelter 10-17yrs 80% return home
 - n. Within 72 hrs the parents are contacted and ongoing therapy with family/individuals
 - o. How many annually? 800
 - p. Serve not only Minneapolis, but also other communities
 - q. Provide transportation receive 4-6,000 calls a year, 612-377-8800 is contact number
 - r. The Bridge is linked to National Hotline for Homeless Youth are regional link for crisis situation
 - s. Why isn't the City, County, contributing? They are contributing large amounts: from City \$500,000 NRP affordable housing funds, County, \$400,000, Target, Kreskees
 - t. Ms. Nilsson is here because The Bridge was mentioned in the SCNA Phase II plan and understands that there isn't currently funds in that strategy
 - u. Mr. Strands thanks Ms. Nilsson for attending and states SCNA will discuss and follow up after meeting
4. Phase II Contracts: Minneapolis Park Board Forestry: Paul Domholt
 - a. Reviewed the SCNA Phase II Tree funds
 - b. Board asks "How much of public trees have been replanted?" Currently unknown and would need to do a survey of neighborhood as first step
 - c. Some hesitation about Park facilitating the funds
 - d. Taxes should be paying for tree replacement? Stump removal
 - e. Dutch Elm disease peak may have passed?
 - f. Ms. Monear from TreeTrust states the urban forest is about both public and private property and affirms the Park Board does a good job.
 - g. The CityTree 1000 tree giveaway TreeTrust was facilitating had over 1700 tree applicants
 - h. Should look at urban forest from broader prospective
 - i. Lost over 7,000 trees in 2005, 10,000 in 2004
 - j. Board asks what can SCNA do to look at to help homeowners.
 - k. What does Park Board have for cyclical plan for neighborhood planting?
 - l. SCNA's role is to get community involved through education
 - m. MN ReLeaf grants available also
 - n. What do homeowners really need? Help with understanding strategically planting. Help with education regarding runoff, point source pollution reductions

- o. TreeTrust could help with their expertise
 - p. Reforestation will take working cooperatively with both MPRB and TreeTrust
 - q. Ms Monear suggests possibly incorporating youth in the project to train them and do canvassing work to determine how many open spaces there are in the neighborhood
 - r. Board asks if stump contribute to the disease? Mr. Domholt responds No, The MPRB have \$500,000 to do stump removal
 - s. \$3.00 an inch to remove stump estimate, minimal or deep grind
 - t. High powerlines? Single line, then no limit, if Major lines then have smaller trees
 - u. SCNA member not an advocate for planting all one type of tree on one boulevard
 - v. What should SCNA consider regarding education? Ms. Monear responds topics beyond dutch elm disease, from environmental perspective so people do understand the value of trees, Cost benefit of removing/replacing,
 - w. So residents understand trees add 15-17% in property value, reduce energy needs, introduce song birds, habitats.
 - x. ITree information is available online at TreeTrust.org
 - y. TreeKeepers education program hoping to have in 2007 available
 - z. TreeTrust focuses on planting trees on private lands
 - aa. First form a team of residents, educate them, and work through the area to assess how many trees are needed on both public and private land
 - bb. Cost for something like that?
 - cc. 1153 residents in SCNA area
 - dd. YouthStart Funds: Tree Trust uses at risk youth 800-1200 youth during the summer.
 - ee. Ms. Monear suggests also looking at planning several phases
 - ff. Two prong approach: Public lands getting those replaced
 - gg. Visit the schools with Elmer Elm tree to get them to involve kids
 - hh. MPRB in June to do inventory
 - ii. Next winter have Citizen Education programs on what kinds of trees will work in their own yards
 - jj. MPBR plant trees every spring
 - kk. Motion to have public inventory include a breakdown for park and schools also Mr. J Johnson, Ms. C Anderson, m-c
 - ll. Ms. Monear distributes materials from TreeTrust
 - mm. SCNA mentions "Children's Forest" had public celebration, but not identified as Children's Forest
5. Youth Engagement Project: (YEP)
- a. Mr. Strand reports on the project from the last Camden Alliance of Neighborhoods
 - b. SCNA Phase II plan may have dollars that could be considered under youth
 - c. Letter sent for SCNA to consider participating in the project
 - d. Wonders if there are measurable outcomes and what would SCNA want to see as outcomes?
 - e. It's not always that adults and youth interact
 - f. There are youth recreation programs at Creekview
 - g. Would it be possible to have them come out and have a better understanding?
 - h. Motion to support the Hennepin County Youth Engagement Project YEP and to reallocate the SCNA Phase II D. 1.3.1. COPSIRF Funds, \$1702.84 and contract \$1297.16 of Youth Recreation Program funds to total \$3,000 for the Youth Engagement Project by Mr. Hauger, Mr. Hitchcock, m-c
6. NorthWay Community Trust
- a. NorthNeighborhood Alliance goal to get 13 neighborhoods come together to be a force to go to the City for the Northside
 - b. Core Principles established and part of work is to work on an MOU
 - c. Each neighborhood would remain autonomous
 - d. NorthWay doing a market study, looking at housing stock, commercial retail, jobs, education
 - e. Some structural work being done currently
 - f. Community Benefits Agreement
 - g. Have been reluctant to get involved with other groups due to the process
 - h. Sometimes there are strength in numbers
 - i. Would be worthwhile to have Harrison come out for a presentation
 - j. Invite them out in the next 60 days
7. MPRB Jason Green
- a. Summer Stars program numbers down from last year, 5hrs a day \$200 staff
 - b. Did increase the fee to \$5.00 from \$2.00
 - c. Kids three field trips

- d. Capital Budget: MPRB: Contract maintenance people. MPRB will be charging dollars toward the Capital Budget for the improvements \$350,000
 - e. Watershed fee \$1,000 not budgeted
 - f. Tennis Courts: Not going to be renovated but may get a new one near Creekview
 - g. Jason will email Foreman to put up a net at the tennis courts
 - h. 286 tennis courts in the system and 20 get used?
 - i. \$60,000 for a new tennis courts
 - j. Portables are gone
 - k. Would it make sense to turn the current tennis courts into a sand volleyball lot
 - l. Would TreeTrust youth canvassing the neighborhood work for YouthStart Work
 - m. Assess the use to assess resurface of one or two
 - n. Trails are great
8. Reports of Officers:
- a. Minutes: April 11th Board meeting, Move by Mr. Hitchcock, Ms. C. Anderson, m-c
 - b. Treasurer's Report: Ms. G. Anderson's Report distributed Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the bills, by Mr. Hauger, Mr. Hitchcock, m-c
 - c. Adoption of Board Calendar and Draft Budget
 - d. Phase II budget funds
 - e. Change SCNA meeting September 12th is primary date, Move to the Wednesday 13th Motion to adopt the calendar with the one change by Mr. Hauger, Ms. C Anderson, m-c
 - g. Plant a memorial Tree at Common Ground or Shingle Creek? Looking for Visibility. Maybe when the pavilion goes in perhaps that also might be a site. Contact Agnes to see what kind of tree Cindy might like? Plaque then too?
9. Election of Officers: Bylaws read by Chair Strand
- a. Treasurer: Mr. Jeff Johnson, Nominate Gail Anderson for Treasurer, Mr. Jeff Strand confirms Ms. Anderson is willing to continue, m-c
 - b. Secretary: Ms. Cheryl Anderson, nominates Mr. Hauger, he declines, Mr. Hauger nominates Mr. Hanson, Mr. Johnson nominates Ms. Castle, Mr. Hanson elected Secretary, m-c
 - c. Vice Chair: Mr. Johnson steps down as Vice Chair, nominates Mr. Strand as Vice Chair
 - d. Chair: by Mr. Johnson nominates Mr. Lynn Hauger as Chair
 - e. Motion to approve all nominations by Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hitchcock, m-c
 - f. SCNA Board members thank Mr. Strand for his many years of service as Chair. He has done such a great job because of his job and connections.
10. Old/New Business:
- a. Shingle Creek Clean up disappointing that those that suppose to show up didn't
 - b. Camden Theater Group: Jeff Redman/Jeff Johnson reports coming up
 - c. Shingle Creek, Olson, Jenny Lind, campus meeting: Would like to invite Shingle Creek Principals to come to next meeting.
11. Motion to adjourn Ms. C. Anderson, Mr. Hauger at 9:05pm

Respectfully submitted by
 Amy Luesebrink
 SCNA staff

SCNA Chair _____

Date _____