

Meeting Minutes



Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission

September 25, 2018

Minneapolis Central Library, Doty Board Room, Minneapolis, MN

NCEC commissioners present: Boyd, Cichowicz, Dedeaux-Swinton, Eichten, Louwagie, Malone, Mariani, Mills, Mussa and Strand.

NCR staff present: Cheyenne Brodeen and Rebekah Tedrick.

Members of the public: 38

1. Meeting opening by the Chair: 5:06 p.m.
2. Commissioner introductions: 5:06p.m.
 - a. **Motion carries** to approve agenda at 5:09 p.m.
3. 2040 Comprehensive Plan update–Heather Worthington, CPED Long Range Planning: 5:10 p.m.
 - a. Minneapolis 2040 plan closed a four-month- long comment period in July.
 - b. Planning team revised the plan using input from the over 10,000 comments.
 - c. Redlined version and PDF document version will be published on 2040 website.
 - d. A public hearing is scheduled before the Planning Commission on October 29.
 - e. Another hearing with City Council is scheduled for November 14.
 - f. City Council makes final edits to the Comprehensive Plan before it’s submitted to the Metropolitan Council for a year-long review process.
 - g. City uses the Comprehensive Plan to inform its zoning plan.
4. Public comment: 5:21 p.m.
 - a. Fifteen public comments or questions were asked.
 - b. Topics included: Requests for paper mailings about the plan, questions about small area plans, support for fourplexes, concerns about preserving the beauty of neighborhoods and business displacement after development, etc.
 - c. Heather Worthington described the engagement strategies that the City used over several years prior to the draft, communications efforts, and encouraged public to find information on hearings and everything Comprehensive Plan related at Minneapolis2040.com. Clarified that the 2040 plan guides future policy making, but does not set policy itself.
 - d. Commissioners offered suggestions for future engagement: include planning announcement on water bill mailings, send information in the form of talking points to neighborhood organizations, partner with schools to send information home to parents, create a fact sheet version of Minneapolis 2040.
5. Committee Reports: 6:37 p.m.
 - a. Chair’s report–Executive committee will meet on October 3.

- b. Secretary's report–**Motion carries** to approve minutes at 6:38 p.m.
- 6. One Minneapolis Fund update: 6:38 p.m.
 - a. One request was for the commission to approve the funding recommendations submitted as a package beforehand.
 - b. Distributed information from the City Attorney on conflicts of interest. Follow up with Cheyenne with questions.
 - c. Communications about the funding: 20 people came to the pre-proposal conference on September 13.
 - d. **Motion passes** to approve the requested action from Staff Report 6 to agree to review and approve the funding recommendations submitted by the One Minneapolis Fund Committee as a package through a yes or no vote. –6:40 p.m.
- 7. 2018 Neighborhood and Appointed Boards and Commissions Diversity Surveys: 6:40 p.m.
 - a. Biennial survey of the diversity of boards and commissions.
 - b. Surveying all neighborhood organization boards during board meetings as well.
 - c. Commissioner requests that the survey be given also when commissioners end their service.
- 8. Committees and membership: 6:51 p.m.
 - a. Bylaws Committee – Meet as needed. Boyd, Dedeaux-Swinton, Kimmons, Lewis, Mills, Mariani, Strand.
 - b. City Department Engagement Committee –Boyd, Esmaeili, Kimmons, Lewis, Louwagie, Malone, Mussa, Mills.
 - c. Community Connections Conference Committee – Dedeaux-Swinton and Strand.
 - d. Community Forums Task Force – Will decide about it at the COW.
 - e. Community Innovation Fund Committee – No plan to carry out the CIF program in 2019.
 - f. Crime and Safety Committee – Boyd, Kimmons, Lewis, Mills, Russell. Chair referred interested commissioners to Boyd to fill one of the three open seats.
 - g. Grievance Task Force – City Attorneys edited the grievance policy.
 - i. Going to the next PECE committee meeting on Oct. 1 for approval. Plan to train all NCEC members by the City Attorney. Plan to use a 3rd party contract attorney to avoid any conflict of interest. **Motion passes** to ask NCR to email neighborhoods about the updated grievance policy and PECE meeting. 7:02 p.m.
 - h. Neighborhoods 2020 Committee – Boyd, Cichowicz, Eichten, Malone, Mariani, Mills, Russell, Strand.
 - i. One Minneapolis Fund Committee – Esmaeili, Dedeaux-Swinton, Louwagie, Mussa, Russell, Strand.
 - j. **Motion passes** to approve committee appointments except for Community Innovation Fund Committee: 7:17 p.m.
 - k. Committee of the Whole (COW) – Meeting on October 17 to discuss work group updates at the COW.
- 9. Adjourn: 7:19p.m.