

EHFNA Board Meeting minutes
June 2, 2021; 7 - 8:30 pm
Zoom Video Conference

Board members in attendance: Rick Michel, Maggie Zawasky, Jenny Taplin, Maria Finsness, Brian Nalezny, Jon Martin, Henrietta Conrad, Peter Allen, Beth Popalisky.

Non-Board Members in attendance: Roger Worm, Linea Palmisano, Liz Heyman, Matt Perry, Megan Elliasen, Helen Schnoe

1. Announcements, Introductions and Meeting Etiquette (M Zawasky) 7:00-7:05

Zoom Meeting: Please mute yourself when you are not talking to control background noise. Feel free to use the chat function and the EHFNA Secretary will read your question/comment to the group. In order to allow meeting attendees to speak freely, please refrain from recording meetings as per EHFNA Standard of Conduct policy dated 7/9/19 and upheld by vote on 9/2/20.

2. Ward Updates 7:05-7:15

Council Member Palmisano:

Topics:

Hennepin Avenue plan - delayed to 2024

Nicollet Avenue - needs?

Charter Amendments on the ballot in the fall:

Strong Mayor system for Minneapolis

Reorganizing Public Safety

Authorization to develop tenant protection.

38th and Chicago updates: Mayor working to re-open after trial.

Public safety update: police are 1/3 of city's fund \$174M, misconstruing of last year's budget, lots of workers comp claims in police force. Most gunfire is gang related

3. Bryant Ave Reconstruction Update (Trey Joiner & Liz Heyman) 7:15-7:25

Office Hours: Liz Monday 2-3 p.m., Trey F 1-2 p.m.

4th plan considered: oneway car traffic in response to safety and parking concern, 2-way bikers, adding green space. Expect an increase in parallel street traffic (conservative estimate 20-35 cars per hour on Aldrich, Colfax & Dupont, 65-100 cars on Lyndale during peak rush hours). Currently 10,000 trips per day on Lyndale. Using pre-35W numbers, there were 21,000 trips per day in 2019. Levels will decrease after 35W reconstruction completes in the fall. Parking at 50th&Aldrich/Bryant is a concern. 6 bus routes, 15 stops will be moved from Bryant to Lyndale, Proposed pedestrian medians are getting good support. Express routes on Lyndale 115, 114, 116, and arterial Bus rapid Transit in the future (it'll be pay before board so the stops won't take as long). Right of way on Lyndale has enough room to accommodate future BRT.

4. Approval of April, 2021 Meeting Minutes (M Zawasky) Action Required 7:25-7:30

Discussion: More details in future meeting minutes.

Motion: Motion to approve May, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion: Jenny Taplin, 2nd: Maria Finsness. All present approve. Motion passes.

5. Storm Drain Discussion (H Conrad) Action Required 7:30-7:40

Storm Drain discussion: 13% of storm drains in East Harriet have been adopted. Possibility to collaborate with Barton to increase participation.

Stenciling and storm drain mural: We could have first storm drain mural, looking for letter of support.

Motion: Motion to approve letter of support for Storm Drain Project

Motion - Jenny Taplin, 2nd: Henrietta Conrad. All present approve. Motion passes.

6. Block Club Gatherings (J Taplin)

7:40-7:50

Discussion around funding for Block Club Gathering:\$1500 requested; no vote taken as we can't pay for food and need specific requests to reimburse. Tabled.

7. Building Facades update (J Taplin)

7:50-8:00

Discussion around approval of funds for Building Facades:

\$13,512 in the facades program, 4303 Bryant has requested \$2928, Adagio \$2,000 for protection film, Khaluna up to \$5,000, 4303 - \$3,000, fund will be down to \$500, planning for support needed or company that goes into Calhoun Pet Supply, will be asking for \$10,000, 2019 was the last time funds were requested

8. Just Deeds (H Conrad)

8:00-8:10

Motion for Board to issue Letter of Support:

Motion- Jenny Taplin, 2nd Rick Michel. All present approve. Motion passes.

9. Committee Updates

8:10-8:30

Neighborhood Engagement (J Martin)

Community Partnerships (J Taplin)

Green Spaces and Places (H Conrad)