Land Use Committee Agenda January 5, 2017

In attendance: Roger Purdy (chair), Bob Straughn, Ray Bryan, Karen Nelson, Keith Hovland Staff: Cailin Rogers, Suyapa Miranda

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Agenda and Minutes	Keith moved to approve, Bob seconded with the addition of Towerside updates. It passed unanimously.					
Staff Update	Cailin gave an update on the work to extend the food justice report. She reported back on the stages of Ten Year planning (still in process of creating the equitable framework for it) and on the Board's diversity training which happened last month.					
Weyerhaus er Working Group	Bob and Roger reported back on the Weyerhauser working group meeting with Samantha and Anton from the City of St. Paul. The City will continue working with Dominium and a letter from the working group is in the works to send to Dominium and the City. The group discussed the potential of this site as an incredibly large site and a huge change over in function from industrial to high density residential. There was hope expressed for the possibilities at the site and concerns over whether we have bargaining power to move forward with a project that matches a community vision. The group discussed possibilities for district parking systems and ways to assure enough parking and enough utilization of current parking lots that exist in order to meet the parking demands of residents, especially at night.					
Towerside Update	Bob gave the updates from the Towerside district. Towerside 1.0 has wound down and 2.0 is in discussion. He shared a schedule of upcoming events. The federal government recommended Prospect Park as the site of the upcoming World's Fair Expo 2023. There are sites in Poland, Argentina, and Brazil that are all in contention for the fair. We won't know more about this for several more months. The 16th was the last meeting for Weyerhauser, there are upcoming Towerside meetings including one on the Granary "Innovative" Corridor Explore Options meeting on Jan. 12. This does not appear to be a positive option for St. Paul. Members expressed concern over not having community members heavily involved in the planning process. The Steering Committee isn't ready yet to report back to the full group and so the next meeting is postponed until February. Governance going forward will be really important. Are people able to take leadership going forward.					
Policies and Procedures	Keith walked the committee members through the rough draft of Policies and Procedures. Keith suggested that agendas note that we do not follow Robert's Rules of Order, which is stated in the Policies and Procedures draft. Need to clarify that a quorum is required for any action to happen.					

Keith suggested that the group take the draft and look it over and give suggestions. Bob suggested that the chair also serve as a tie maker not just a tie breaker. Change order of co-chair and staff in agenda for meeting section. Suyapa wondered if we should note what the consequences are for people who do not conduct themselves professionally at meetings. We should expand note on expected behavior of co-chairs to discuss committee members and audience members and note consequences for unreasonable behavior. Add missing meetings "with valid explanation" onto section 2 in leaving a committee. Bob raised issues over chain of command in removing co chairs. Need to clarify. Cross off discrimination policy on page 5 because we don't have it. Should we put a committee orientation formally in the policies and procedures manual? Bob suggested that we include that the chair is in charge of the discussion and that members of the public and the committee get permission to speak and address the chair. Change headings of "during the meeting" to "responsibilities of co-chair". Change the word "approval" to "support" under "letters of support" section 1. Switch number 1 and 2 in this section. Include lack of support as an option or not saying anything at all as options. Include having board take action without the committee or having the board override the vote taken by committees. Bob would like to see approval of committee members by the board. Share draft with other committees for review. 2017 Goals An exploration of a District Parking System should be added to goals. Keith and Karen want to work on this goal. They would like more information from Cailin on this. There was a suggestion to add a name to each goal to provide responsibility. Tree preservation could be added to development guidelines. Discussed the second goal and that we have made progress but maybe want to refine the language on it for 2017. Keith suggested that there has progress on goal 3 from last year. We may need to flesh it out a little more for the next year. Perhaps add Como Park and Union Park too. Take off goal 5. Bob suggested adding Towerside leadership to the goals. Add complete committee policies and procedures to goals. We need a champion and a strategy for every goal item. Suggestion made to assign names and timeframes on the document itself. Karen moved to adopt the goals for 2017. Keith seconded and asked that the goals come up on the agenda next time to assign people and timeframes. We can put this in the agenda every month. Unanimously approved

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