

## **SAPCC Land Use Committee Thursday September 1 Meeting Minutes**

Attendees - Ray Bryan, Nick Studenski, Karen Nelson, Starke Mueller, Bob Straughn,

Guests:

Robert Chelimsky (Playwright's Center)

Becky Krull Kraling (HGA Architects)

Diane Cushman

### **Approve August Minutes**

Looks like the notes were in the agenda from last month. Karen confirmed no action items, tabled for now.

**Playwright's Center** - The Playwright's Center is purchasing the former Viking Supply building at 710 Raymond. They will be joining us to discuss their plans for the building.

Funding secured, planned construction to begin Feb/Mar.

Existing building is made of several additions from different decades. Structure will largely remain intact, some changes to add a more open lobby, update materials of facade. Curb will go out further than it currently does at the corner of Raymond and Myrtle. There will be a pull-out for dropoff and some perpendicular parking stalls on Myrtle. The theater space on the second floor will be potentially available for public events/meetings.

Request letter of support for upcoming site plan review. Ray moved to draft the letter, Nick seconded. Unanimously passed (Bob, Starke, Nick, Karen, Ray)

Ray requested information about string lights above patio and their potential impact on light pollution. Diane echoed concerns regarding light pollution and asked question regarding water consumption of landscaping, as well as parking. Robert indicated that they are increasing the number of parking spaces, many employees commute using transit, and events typically occur on weekday evenings.

**KSTP fence at Territorial & Berry** - KSTP has installed a fence on the north side of their property completely blocking off the continuity of Territorial Rd. They own the land but have long maintained access for peds/bikers. Transportation Committee has asked for Bob's expertise in determining whether there are any laws including the original conditions of the land sale that might compel KSTP to restore ped/bike access.

We'd like to organize a meeting to discuss options to reopen Territorial

Contact @ neighborhood org in prospect park?

Robin Woolsey - Mpls Councilmember, request his staff

Dick Hillyard - Towerside

CEZ?

Mitra's staff

Nick will follow up the week of labor day to organize a meeting

**Sunrise fence near Westgate Park** - Another fence! Sunrise Banks has installed a fence on the west side of their parking lot near Westgate park. There is a gate to allow access. We may want to touch base with Sunrise and express our opinion regarding the fence, and discuss the impact, if any, on the future trail cutting along the old rail spur east towards wabash.

Karen moves to write a letter to Sunrise expressing our desire to maintain ped/bike connection. Unanimously passes.

**Equitable Development Principles and Scorecard:** The alliance updated the equitable development principles. They're published here:

<http://thealliancetc.org/updated-equitable-development-principles-and-scorecard/>

We may want to discuss and take into consideration as part of our own evaluation framework.

Grants Available

[Critical Corridors Grants](#)

## Ice Cream Social

Nick will send an email to all (incl Regan) to ask about plans.