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Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, May 11th, 2017 – 6:30PM
Edgumbe Rec Center
320 S. Griggs Street

AGENDA

- 6:30 I. Call to Order
- 6:31 II. Roll Call
- 6:35 III. Approval of the April 2017 Minutes
- 6:36 IV. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
- 6:37 V. Special Elections
- At-Large Residential Renter, Student, Residential Landlord, Faith,
Education Representatives
- 6:45 VI. Housing and Land Use Committee Recommendations
1:
*"The Housing and Land Use Committee of the Macalester-Groveland
Community Council supports the garage height variance request for the
property located at 221 Mount Curve Blvd"*
2:
*"The Housing and Land Use Committee of the Macalester-Groveland
Community Council supports the recommendations in the South Snelling
Zoning Study and strongly encourages the City to better define 'mixed use' in
Traditional Neighborhood Districts".*
- 7:00 VII. Environment Committee Recommendation

"Resolution Supporting Saint Paul's Packaging Ordinance

WHEREAS *"to-go" packaging is food packaging taken off-site from a restaurant or other retailer providing food for immediate consumption, compostable packaging is certified compostable in a local industrial composting facility, and recyclable packaging is recyclable in our City's local recycling program; and,*

WHEREAS *requiring "to go" food packaging that is reusable, recyclable, or compostable supports a goal of zero waste in homes, workplaces and businesses; and*

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WHEREAS "to go" packaging that is reusable, recyclable, or compostable protects our health and the health of our environment; and

WHEREAS exempting items that do not meet the recyclable or compostable requirement weakens the ordinance and dramatically reduces the positive environmental outcomes, and there are viable alternatives to potentially exempted items such as polystyrene, black plastic, and plastic and poly coated cups, which negatively affect both our environment and our local recycling programs; and

WHEREAS the proposed ordinance includes a commitment by the City to help businesses by financially supporting creative ways to comply with the ordinance, including support for investments (i.e. dishwashers, reusable plates); and

WHEREAS we plan to participate in educational efforts to increase the success of the packaging ordinance by sharing information with retailers and restaurants that helps them access compliant packaging while meeting their unique business needs; and

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Macalester-Groveland Community Council's Environment Committee supports the proposed Saint Paul Sustainable To-Go Packaging Ordinance, recommending that it be as consistent with other regional communities that pursued similar programs.

- 7:15 VIII. Inclusivity Task Force update
- 7:45 IX. Event and Program Updates
- 8:00 X. Other Business
- 8:10 XI. Adjourn

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