

Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, Nov. 09, 2017 – 6:30PM

Edgcumbe Rec Center

MINUTES

1. Call to Order – Erik Riesenberberg
2. Roll Call – John Zwier, Secretary
 - 12 present
3. Approval of October 2017 Minutes
 - Motion to approve – seconded – unanimous
4. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda – None Stated
5. Special Elections – Grid 5 – John Zwier was voted to move into the Grid 5 seat out of the At-Large Rep seat
6. 15 Now: the campaign to raise the minimum wage in MN – Celeste Robinson; see handouts – three members presenting
 - Proposing a phase in to catch St. Paul up to Minneapolis
 - Local economic stimulus bill
 - Working with labor groups, faith, community groups
 - Looking for an endorsement of the campaign
 - Working on affordable housing issues as part and parcel
 - Working with small business to see it through
7. Housing and Land Use Comm. Recommendation
 - “The Housing and Land Use Committee requests that the City study establishing a Student Housing Overlay around Macalester College
 - See handouts
 - High Winds Rep presented; Liz and Cathy Plessner spoke about the resolution
 - Discussion – most members spoke for a couple minutes; there were statements made on both sides; concerns of discrimination against students,

concerns about whether a Study would freeze housing; unease about how the motion came up; concern about message being sent to students; concerns about the wording of the motion; what are we addressing with the motion; fear of a study; concern about how a study would be implemented – moratorium?

- Motion to Refer Back to Committee – defeated with 2 ayes
- Motion to Approve – unanimous nay vote

8. Transportation Comm. Recommendations

- Resolution to Request City Follow Up on Bicycle Plan Recommended Actions
- Bicycle Plan – see attached language; Mike presenting – sufficient bicycle parking spaces – looking for engagement from the city to encourage following the bike plan – would make sense to include in site plan checklist
- Discussion
- Motion to Approve – voice vote – one nay; approved by majority

- Resolution for Pedestrians First and Community Involvement in County Hiring for Director of Public Works
- Mike Sonn presenting – county is hiring a new director; on the radar that the current director does not
- Discussion -
- Motion to Approve – ayes have it – 2 abstentions; and 1 nay

9. Policy and Procedures working group update – Liz presenting - Election Procedures will be first focus – Jan. 11 is our Board Meeting – and then topic of the evening is election procedures

10. December Meeting – vote to not have a December meeting; unanimous

11. Other Business – updates

- Dec. 6 – Bottle Rocket fundraiser
- Nov. 16 is Give to the Max Day – look for draft language for fundraising
- Organized Trash passed

12. Adjourn – 8:15 p.m.