



HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, July 26th, 2023 | 6:30pm

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Please note: this meeting is being held remotely online via Zoom and will be recorded.

Chair: Mike Moore

Secretary: Volunteer Needed*

Staff: Alexa Golemo

AGENDA

- 6:30 I. Welcome Guests & New Members and HLU Introduction, *Mike Moore, Chair*
- 6:36 II. Agenda additions/deletions
- 6:38 III. Approve June 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 6:40 IV. **Awaken for Wellness (1821 St Clair Ave) Neighborhood STAR Application, Chris Richmond, Founder**

Awaken for Wellness is seeking a Letter of Recommendation from MGCC for their Neighborhood STAR Application. See the attached letter of request from the business.

Resources:

Neighborhood STAR Program: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-and-economic-development/economic-development/sales-tax-revitalization-star-0>

- 6:55 V. **University of St Thomas Multipurpose Arena Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW),**

As the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU), the City of Saint Paul has prepared an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the University of St. Thomas Multipurpose Arena (Lee and Penny Anderson Arena at the University of St. Thomas).

The University of St. Thomas Multipurpose Arena is proposed to be located on an approximately 6 acre site located on the University of St. Thomas South Campus in Saint Paul, Minnesota. The proposed project will include a multi-purpose competition venue for the University's hockey and basketball programs with capacity for approximately 4,000 to 5,500 spectators. The project is also expected to include practice facilities, coaching offices, locker rooms, and student athlete support services and will host other university events such as commencement ceremonies, academic convocations, speakers, career fairs, and other events for the university. The new facility will be designed to meet a LEED Silver rating. There are three existing campus buildings with adjacent surface parking lots on site that will be demolished.

Please note: The purpose of the EAW process is to disclose information about potential environmental impacts of the project. It is not an approval process. The information disclosed in the EAW process has two functions: to determine whether an Environmental Impact Statement



(EIS) is needed and to indicate how the project can be modified to lessen its environmental impacts.

The City will accept public comments on the EAW through **July 27, 2023 at 4:00 PM**, directed to:

Josh Williams, Principal Planner

25 West Fourth Street

Saint Paul, MN 55102

StThomasArena_EAW@ci.stpaul.mn.us *(Please note the _ between Arena & EAW)*

Resources:

City of Saint Paul EAW Notice: <https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/planning-and-economic-development/planning/current-activities/university-st-thomas>

MN Environmental Quality Board: <https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/>

St Thomas Neighborhood Relations: <https://www.stthomas.edu/neighbors/>
(Includes presentation boards from the July 12th Open House at McNeely Hall)

Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW):

https://www.stpaul.gov/sites/default/files/2023-06/UST_ArenaEAW_062023.pdf

8:25 VI. Updates/Announcements

8:30 VII. Adjourn

MAC-GROVE GUIDE TO INCLUSIVE DECISION MAKING

“Nothing about us, without us.”

ANALYZE



1. Who is most impacted by the recommendations/decisions we are making?

REFLECT

2. Are people (who represent those who will be most impacted) at the recommendation/decision-making table?



CONNECT

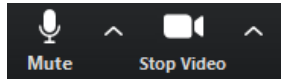
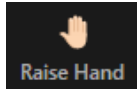
3. If the people most affected aren't connected, MGCC will actively seek them out to build relationships and to create space to participate in the future.



Learn more at [macgrove.org/equitable-development-scorecard](https://www.macgrove.org/equitable-development-scorecard)

Committee e-Meetings via Zoom

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- **Questions or Day-of-Meeting Troubleshooting** - Contact MGCC Staff at mgcc@macgrove.org and we will do our best to assist you.
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Committee Meeting Protocol

- MGCC meetings are **recorded** and made available at www.macgrove.org for one month. Please reach out to staff if you have concerns about being recorded.
- **If you would like to comment**, please raise your hand and wait to be recognized. (See *Raising your Hand* above) When recognized, please first state your name and residential cross-streets.
- **This is a place for civil and respectful dialogue.** It does not mean everyone has to agree, but it means we have to treat one another well. Please keep your comments brief and to the point. At about the two-minute mark, the Chair will let you know that your time is almost up.
- After receiving public comments and inquiries, the Committee members will have the opportunity to ask final questions and to discuss the issues at hand. Only voting members of a committee may vote on a motion. If you are not sure whether you are currently a voting member of a committee, please ask the staff member in attendance.



Housing and Land Use Committee Glossary of Terms

Please email alexa@macgrove.org if you have suggestions for additions to the glossary of terms.