



Windom Community Council Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 9, 2023
(Hybrid Meeting held via ZOOM videoconferencing & In-Person at 5843 Wentworth)

Attending: Michelle Hemingway Tatum (P), Becky McIntosh (T), Jamie Lieser, Mary Peterson, Dembo Darboe, Mario Vargas (Executive Director).

Absent: George Hall, Incha Krein, Melissa Wallingford (S)

Guests: Emily Koski (City Council Ward 11 Councilmember), Sarah Linnes Robinson, Lyndale Neighborhood Association (LNA) Director of Projects and Transition Oversight, Carol Howard (Windom School Office Secretary)

Welcome/Call to Order: Becky called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

City Hall Updates

- **NEW 3rd Precinct Headquarters:** Location has been finalized at 2633 Minnehaha Avenue. It will serve as a community center as well.
- **Ward 11 Monthly Meeting:** November 16, 2023, at 7 PM at Pearl Park.
- **Ward 11 Holiday Breakfast:** December 11, 2023, at 8 AM at the Patty Wagon on Nicollet Avenue. Breakfast is \$10. Please RSVP to Corinne at corinne.horowitz@minneapolismn.gov anyone interested.
- **Budget Public Hearing:** It will be held on December 5, 2023. Amendments are due into the Budget Committee Chair (CM Koski) by November 16th. Proposals need to go to the City Attorney for language review. Final mark-ups are due by November 30th.
- **Public Safety:** Chief Judge Barnett will be appointed as the new Commissioner for Public Safety.
- **Climate Legacy Initiative:** City Council approved the initiative. It will support \$10 million dollars annually toward conservation efforts. It will be funded through a small increase in gas and electric fees. Residents will see an increase of roughly \$12 annually, roughly \$1 a month. The new money will go to help with weatherization and electrification of homes and to hire green jobs tied to the initiative.
- **Hyundai Safety Upgrades:** Hyundai is providing ignition and other safety upgrades on November 10th and 11th for car models that are eligible from 8 am -5 pm. This is a partnership with the City of Minneapolis Police Department.
- **Questions:** Stevens Avenue traffic study happened but no update is currently available.

Housing Funds & Wells Fargo Campus Redevelopment Presentation: Sarah presented a proposal which was emailed to the Board for approval to appropriate \$25,000 of WCC NRP funds towards a PPL (Project Pride and Living) housing initiative. The housing proposal is for the old Wells Fargo site at the corner of Nicollet and 31st Avenue near the K-Mart site. No decision was made, and the Board will get back to Sarah on a final decision.

Council Business

1. **October Meeting Minutes – Review & Approval – Michelle**
 - Motion: The Board entertained a motion approving the meeting minutes.
Motion: Mary
Second: Becky
All in favor: Unanimous
Motion approved: Michelle
2. **WCC 3rd Quarter CORF/Financials Review and Approval– Becky**
 - The CORF (Community Organization Report Form) is the city's reimbursement request form. For this meeting, 3rd Quarter reports are being reviewed today. For this 3rd Quarter, July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023, only CNNF/EEF contract reimbursement will be submitted. There are no expenses toward our NRP contract.
 - CNNF/EEF Schedule A shows a remaining \$5,311.94 remaining in this contract. The staff amounts have been completely expensed. There are some amounts left over in the remaining line items which can get rolled over to 2024. To move money in Schedule A from one line item to another line item, WCC must get permission from NCR.



- Financials Review: WCC runs on an accounting deficit because the organization is on a reimbursement basis with the city. The balance sheets show how much is in our bank accounts.
- Motion: The Board entertained a motion approving the 3rd Quarter CORF to be submitted for reimbursement.
Motion: Becky
Second: Dembo
All in favor: Unanimous
Motion approved: Michelle
- 3. **Discuss Remaining NRP Phase II Funds – Michelle/Becky**
 - WCC has NRP money left in that contract. The Finance Committee is meeting with Stacy Sorenson to discuss how much is left in that contract and how it can be accessed. Some of the funds are allocated and some are not. The allocated funds include activities for youth, renter resident engagement etc. Non-allocated funds are monies considered program income that has returned from the WCC Home Improvement Loan Program as payments. Some of the NRP project allocated funds, for example, \$5,000 for bike racks, can't be implemented because they don't work in Windom.
- 4. **2023 Give to the Max: Nov. 16th Discussion – Becky**
 - WCC is looking for Board Members to contribute to our organization. Last year, WCC received less than \$350. Last year, WCC executed a full campaign which included a big promotion on an e-newsletter, a printed newsletter and social media blitz. In 2023, we will do an e-newsletter and social media blitz.
- 5. **Minneapolis Neighborhoods Collaborative Update – Michelle/Mario**
 - The Collaborative (Kenny, Armatage, Lynnhurst, Fulton, Tangletown and Windom neighborhoods) is in contract negotiations with DeYoung Consulting Services to provide organizational development and DEI (Diversity Equity & Inclusion) event planning help. The group meets every month on the second Tuesday at Windom South Park, WCC office at 7 pm via ZOOM and in-person.

Committee Updates & Other

- No Updates. We need chairpersons to lead various committees. We will push this item to the next Working Board Meeting.
- Jamie has a person of interest to serve on the WCC Board. We'd like to invite Carol back to a full board meeting and have her share some of her thoughts about her interest. Mario and Jamie will work together on this with Carol.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM