December 8th, 2020 LPNA Board Meeting Agenda

Ben, Jacquelyn, Pat, Alex B, Anna, Alex S, Becky, Robert, Alex, Steve

Guest: Christina

Approve November Minutes

Motion to approve: Ben Second: Jacquelyn

• LPNA Raingarden Program

Came in higher than last year. We would need to use priorities money for this project. Robert asked Metro Blooms about using Logan Park as a model. He also inquired about other possibilities such as using another local entity other than conservation core to do the work

Motion: Pat moved to verbally approve working with metro blooms.

Second: Steve

Robert will have continued discussion with Metro Blooms

Unanimously approved.

• Logan Park Housing Committee updates

- -Preliminary discussions with Asakura Robinson facilitators of our strategic planning process. This has evolved further to budget discussion, approach, some pro bono hours to make the budget work. These facilitators have facilitated these types of work groups in other parts of the country.
- -Framework is still pretty raw.
- -Want to keep it to a reasonable timeline, likely 6 meetings, each 1 month apart. Starting point Logan Encampment, lessons learned, approach to likely 2021 encampment.
- -Will share with group when we have something concrete.
- Q:What is the timeline? A:We're likely overly optimistic with the January to July timeline.
- -Need participants to be committed for the entire series.
- -Received concern about the cost of paying a facilitator when these funds could be used to directly benefit people experiencing homelessness.
- -Response: There are limits to how we can use the funds. This funding source would make it difficult to directly benefit those experiencing homelessness.C
- -Understand the issue with optics but it often depends on perspective.
- -This process is more likely to lead to the ability of neighborhoods to respond more effectively to people experiencing homelessness long term.

Budget Discussion

- -Pat summarized the draft budget. It utilizes estimated budget amounts for the second half of the year. Question about the insurance and Pat.
- -City is encouraging neighborhood organizations to consider merger. Some discussion about not losing 501C3 status. Questions need to be asked about various approaches. We will gather information on interest of other neighborhoods as a first step to exploring the concept.

- January General agenda suggestions and facilitator
 - January 20. Seek representatives from the Mpls Health Department to discuss virus and vaccinations. This could be broad regarding the virus. Updates on shelter initiative. Kevin regarding discussion of city budget. Lights of Logan winners.

 Anna will facilitate.
- **Priorities Committee Updates** Haven't met since last board meeting. Metro Blooms was addressed at this meeting.
- Development Committee Updates Development next to California building was approved.
- Schedule January Board Meeting Wednesday, January 13 at 7PM.
- Would like to have a e-newsletter: Alex will connect with Reanne about an e-newsletter encouraging purchasing from local restaurants and merchants for the holidays,

Upcoming Event: Lights of Logan Lighting Contest, Sunday December 13, 5pm

Comments and questions: admin@loganparkneighborhood.org

