

1. The Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA) 7/27/98 Board/Membership/Neighborhood (B/M/N) meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church by Alison Katagiri, president. A quorum was present. Motion made with friendly amendment added, seconded, and passed with some noes: ÓThat the issue of the proposed on site parking lot by Cabrini be added as the last item of #5, Zoning Committee report and that this is an information not decision item.Ó
2. The 6/21/98 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting minutes will be available at a future meeting and in a future PPERRIA Newsletter.
3. Nicole Magnam and Officer Gary, provided copies of the neighborhood crime statistics. Again, in the immediate neighborhood, the major issue is theft from buildings and autos. Keep them locked and stuff out of sight. There was positive comment on the presence of officers in the neighborhood and of the ÓfriendlinessÓ of the Police Dept. If a police call is made about Tower Hill, it is important that Tower Hill be identified, as the neighborhood and the hill are separate from the police departmentÓs viewpoint.
4. Alison Katagiri reported that the two housing committees (Unocal and Fourth Street) are working together with the other parties to see that both projects are possible. Several happenings on the calendar enclosed with the 7/98 PPERRIA Newsletter were highlighted.
5. Alison Savin, Zoning Committee, reviewed the items before the committee: PerrysÓs Pizza has requested a liquor license for their business at Ontario and Washington SE. They currently have a wine and beer license. PPERRIAÓs position on liquor licenses is that one must not duplicate an existing business, must meet a existing need and be part of a sit-down, white-tablecloth restaurant. The committeeÓs information is that the city is not in favor of the request and as yet has taken no action.

The new owner of the ÓBambieÓsÓ site, 26th and Essex, has requested residential building and parking variances. He has yet to present to the city and the committee sufficient proposals and plans. He was the recent high bidder at the county tax default sale. A neighbor was recommended for a side variance for a replacement garage.

Dinnaken has provided plans for the expansion south of their current Argyle House, the site of the recently demolished church and four houses recently purchased by bid from the University of Minnesota.

Motion made, revised, seconded and passed without noes: ÓThat there be a Special PPERRIA information, not a recommendation, meeting on 8/24/98 at Cabrini Church regarding only the issue of the proposed Cabrini parking lot.Ó There was extensive discussion concerning CabriniÓs proposed parking lot, 38 places, on the east side of church property next to the rail road tracks. Marie Rosa, parish administrator, presented the proposal and requested PPERRIAÓs support. Even though this issue dates from this spring, there continues to be unanswered questions regarding the site, the use of the lot, neighborsÓ issues and the establishment of precedent. Cabrini can build the lot at any time but if there is to be a contract for parking from Good Summation Nursing Home then there needs to be rezoning or the use of a special council member permit. PPERRIA has no opposition for a side set back variance on the railroad side, but PPERRIA does oppose any rezoning or special council member permit due to the establishment of precedent for property owners contracting with a third party for off street parking. Also of concern is the position of non support from the immediate neighbors. The Zoning Committee will work with those involved. A special information only PPERRIA meeting will be held on 8/24/98 regarding this issue. At some point in time the Zoning Committee will make a recommendation to the PPERRIA Executive Committee which in turn will present a recommendation to the PPERRIA B/M/N, at which

time a recommendation will be made to the city.

6. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: ÒThat PPERRIA release \$1,500 from the PPERRIA/NRP Administration section of the Action Plan, for funding a class in grantsmanship (finding sources/writing proposals/strategy) with environmental emphasis and enrollment open to residents of the PPERRIA/NRP plan area.Ó Bill Kahn, Environmental Committee, presented the motion and indicated this is a one-time expense to train and/or identify grant writers.

7. Motion made, revised, seconded and passed without noes: ÒThat PPERRIA may approve reallocation of PPERRIA/NRP Action Plan funds within the same section and budget, not one section to another, based on the recommendation of the involved PPERRIA/NRP Committee.Ó Alison Katagiri made the motion and explained this is so a committee can work within its plan and budget, but to avoid one committee using another committee's budget until the proposed reallocation process has been completed. This should prevent one-at-a-time changes, yet permit a committee to use its own budget.

8. Joel Schurke, Cunningham Group, updated the activities of the SPROUT project for Bridal Veil Area Sustainability. PPERRIA/NRP had earlier provided some matching seed money for the project. This fall there are to be at least one scheduled forum and ongoing discussions with whomever is part of the development of the Bridal Veil Industrial Area, the railroad property north of University and south of the Como Neighborhood. The goal is to integrate energy sustainability in the design, construction and waste management components of the project(s).

9. Susan Gottlieb, PPERRIA/NRP contract staff, reviewed the contract staff report included in the 7/98 PPERRIA Newsletter. Of major concern is holding the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MDOT) to its agreement with PPERRIA concerning the sound abatement and wall extension on I94. Much more to follow.

10/11. Late, old and new business. Motion made, seconded and passed with noes: ÒThat only for the proposed student Coop housing at 635 Ontario SE Minneapolis Minnesota Motley neighborhood house to be purchased by the Students Housing Coop from the University of Minnesota, the PPERRIA/NRP Action Plan housing grant/loan be changed from a maximum of \$5000 to \$21,000.Ó Paul Scheurer, Motley Task Force member, presented the motion and indicated that as only one of the University of Minnesota properties was offered for resident ownership and that up to \$100,000 had been earlier approved for grant/loans and this amount was needed to complete the purchase of the property. A student housing coop has been legally incorporated. There are other owner-occupied houses on the same block. Once this project is completed, the Motley Housing Committee will examine what ÒhappenedÓ and be able to make some recommendations. It seems that there were several properties that did not sell.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and passed without noes.

Respectfully submitted, Daniel Patenaude, PPERRIA Secretary.

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