



July 2015 Newsletter

Hi Neighbors,

I hope you're soaking up the sun and enjoying every second of the beautiful weather we've been having!

Things have been heating up in the neighborhood lately. A lot of plans that have taken years to form are pulling together the next steps to become reality. There are many developers making big plans for the area North of University Avenue. These plans will have a big impact on the neighborhood. Prospect Park 2020 has been inviting Block Clubs to the Neighborhood Office for an overall update on what these plans are. Keep an eye out for your invitation!

In the meantime, consider joining a committee. Committees are the groups that get things done in Prospect Park, whether it's communication, connecting with neighbors face-to-face or making sure Prospect Park is involved in the planning. If you have grant writing or other fundraising expertise, Serafina Scheel is recruiting neighbors to participate in a Development Task Force. This small group will meet 3-4 times over the summer and early fall to create a framework for funding projects in the neighborhood. Connect with her at serafinaep@gmail.com or [651-353-8617](tel:651-353-8617).

Stay safe this holiday weekend! Sincerely, Jessica

Glendale Community Townhomes

The Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) is making plans on tearing down and rebuilding the Glendale Townhomes to update the homes available, increase density and change the housing stock to a mixed income model. The residents of the Glendale Townhomes have been meeting with each other and with MPHA to discuss the plans and express opinions on the changes. [The City of Minneapolis has sent out notification of the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed Glendale Housing Development Project Plan.](#) The Plan is to be the subject of a public hearing at the July 14 meeting of the CD&RS Committee. If approved by the City Council, the Plan establishes a new Housing Development Project, enabling the City and the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority to carry out redevelopment activity at the Glendale Townhomes site.

The new Prospect Park Association Glendale Committee has created a report: "Glendale Townhomes in Prospect Park: Proposed 13-acre Sale of Public Housing to Private Developers" which is available at: <http://www.pperr.org/about/pdfs/GlendaleTownhomes-Factsheet-July2015.pdf>

MPHA is hosting a meeting with the City of Minneapolis' Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED) staff on Thursday, July 9th at Luxton Park from 6-7:30pm to collect comments on this plan. The entire neighborhood is welcome to submit their comments at this meeting or online. The Prospect Park Association (PPA) Glendale Committee is suggesting that people comment to suggest slowing down the process, since much of the neighborhood has not been informed of the details of the plan.

Thank You to Yard Sale and Garden Walk Organizers!

The Annual Garden Walk and Yard Sale Weekend was June 27-28. A big THANK YOU to the organizers of both events. Gib Ahlstrand has been the organizer of the Yard Sale weekend for the last two years and does an amazing job organizing all the sales and getting a map out. The Garden Club organizes the Garden Walk and Plant Sale and is much appreciated in the neighborhood! Thanks again, organizers!

Request for Proposals for Prospect Park Neighborhood Website Redesign

We are interested in receiving proposals from web design groups who are interested in partnering with us to redesign our neighborhood website. [Click here for a document](#) describing an overview of our goals, the project scope, audience definitions, communication objectives, functional requirements and software engineering requirements. We are looking to finalize our website redesign partner 'shortlist' no later than Friday, July 10th. Select respondents will be contacted for interviews. Please send proposals to andym@pperr.net.

Attention: Legal Fund Donors

In the early 1990's PPERRIA volunteers collected donations for a Legal Fund. The Admin Committee and Board of Directors is considering folding the fund into the General Fund and Budget of the organization. If you donated to this fund the Admin Committee would like your opinion about the change. Please email your opinion to pperristaff@gmail.com.

Survey from U of M Student about Prospect Park

Clara Gilbert, a former resident of Prospect Park, is asking residents to fill out a survey to reflect on some of the unique experiences and perspectives Prospect Park residents have. She is currently a graduate student at the U of M College of Design and is conducting this survey to better understand neighborhood residents' perspectives on Prospect Park's "Sense of Place." The survey will be closed on Friday, July 17th. [Take the survey here](#).

Sign Up for Organics Recycling

Minneapolis Solid Waste and Recycling customers who live in the [first-phase rollout areas](#) can still sign up by July 10 to get green carts during the August rollout. (For future deliveries, people can sign up any time.)

Here are five good reasons for people to sign up:

1. To reduce waste. More than a third of our trash is organic material that can be composted. Most families can divert up to 10 pounds of materials to organics recycling each week.
2. To help create more compost. Things like meat, bones, dairy products and compostable plastics can't go in a backyard composting bin, but they can be collected through organics recycling and turned into compost.
3. To save money. Once you start producing less trash, you may be able to switch to a smaller garbage cart, which will cut \$3 off your monthly bill.
4. To be a part of the sustainability trend. More than 29,500 households have already signed up to participate.
5. To help improve soil quality. Using compost returns nutrients to the soil, reduces erosion, and reduces the needs for watering and for chemical fertilizers.

Minneapolis recycling customers can learn more about organics recycling at minneapolismn.gov/organics.

Any Minneapolis Solid Waste and Recycling customer can request a cart by emailing swrcustomer@minneapolismn.gov – make sure to include your address – or call [612-673-2917](tel:612-673-2917).

Enter the Mississippi Minute Film Festival

Create and enter your own 1-minute film about the Mississippi River in Minneapolis. The competition is divided into 4 different categories that highlight different areas of the river. For more information about how to enter visit www.mississippiminute.org. This competition is hosted by The Minneapolis Riverfront Partnership.

Music and Movies in the Parks

A great summer program is offered through the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board. They are hosting free music and free movies in Minneapolis Parks throughout the season. Check out the [full schedule here](#). Luxton Park will be screening *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1* on Saturday, July 18th.

Upcoming Events

Lunch in the Park

Signature Cafe : Wednesday July 8 : noon-1:30pm

Join your neighbors for lunch at a local restaurant! We'll be meeting at the Signature Cafe to help support the new business owners. Join your neighbors for a meal on their patio and get to know someone new in the neighborhood. Hope for nice weather!

Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) Hosting Glendale Community Meeting

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Community Concert

Pratt Community School : Tuesday July 14 : 6:30pm

The band [Ticket to Brazil](#) will be playing at Pratt Community School in the second concert of the Community Concert Series. These concerts are free for the neighborhood, though free will donations are accepted.

Official Documents

[March 2015 Board of Directors Minutes](#)

[April 2015 Board of Directors Minutes](#)

["May" 2015 Board of Directors Minutes \(meeting held June 1, 2015\)](#)

[Executive Committee Minutes: May 2015](#)

[Admin Committee Report June 2015](#)

[Master Planning Committee Report May 2015](#)

[MemComm Committee Report March 2015](#)

[Historic District Report April 2015](#)

[Official Position on Glendale Redevelopment](#)

TCF Bank Stadium Schedule

Below is the current list of events at TCF Bank Stadium through Feb 2016 which may be of interest to the neighborhood. To minimize traffic/parking impacts during Vikings games, tailgating will be located in designated lots north of the Stadium, at Downtown East and Stadium Village LRT stations, and at the MN State Fairgrounds with special buses added on the transitway. Tailgating will not be permitted on any other UM property, including ramps and garages. NOTE: Some times are TBD due to stadium reconfiguration when events occur back to back. Once determined, Gopher games will either be at 11AM or 2:30/3PM. Events marked * will be televised. Concerts reflect only those booked as of 5/10/2015.

- Jul 11 (Sat) Drum Core International (est 6,000 attendance, all day)
- Jul 26 (Sun) One Direction concert (est 40,000 attendance)
- Aug 15 (Sat) @7PM Bucs vs Vikings (preseason)
- Aug 22 (Sat) @7PM Raiders vs Vikings (preseason)
- Sep 03 (Thu) @8PM TCU vs Gophers
- Sep 12 (Sat) Open Streets Initiative University/Stadium Village
- Sep 19 (Sat) TBD Kent State vs Gophers
- Sep 20 (Sun) @12PM Lions vs Vikings *
- Sep 25 (Fri) TBD Homecoming Pre-Game Concert
- Sep 26 (Sat) TBD Ohio vs Gophers (Homecoming)
- Sep 27 (Sun) @12PM Chargers vs. Vikings *
- Oct 17 (Sat) TBD Nebraska vs Gophers
- Oct 18 (Sun) @12PM Chiefs vs Vikings *
- Oct 31 (Sat) @7PM Michigan vs Gophers
- Nov 08 (Sun) @12PM St. Louis vs Vikings *
- Nov 21 (Sat) TBD Illinois vs. Gophers
- Nov 22 (Sun) @12PM Packers vs Vikings *
- Nov 28 (Sat) TBD Wisconsin vs Gophers
- Dec 06 (Sun) @12PM Seahawks vs Vikings *
- Dec 20 (Sun) @12PM Bears vs Vikings *
- Dec 27 (Sun) @12PM Giants vs Vikings *
- Feb 20 (Sat) TBD Gophers Alumni Game
- Feb 21 (Sun) TBD NHL Series Blackhawks vs Wild (est 50,000+ attendance)

Upcoming Events

All committee meetings take place at the PPERRIA office, 2828 University Avenue SE in Suite 200. All are welcome!

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Admin Committee

Thursday, July 2

6pm

Glendale Committee

Tuesday, July 7

9am

Zoning and Project Review Committee

Thursday, July 9

7pm

Executive Committee

Monday, July 13

6:30pm

Membership and Communications (MemComm) Committee

Wednesday, July 15

5:30pm

Monthly PPA Community and Board Meeting

All are welcome to the Community meeting, with Board meeting to follow. The July meetings will be on Monday, July 27 at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church. Social time begins at 6pm and the meeting starts at 6:30pm.

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