



PROSPECT PARK

ASSOCIATION



MEETINGS	Committee Meetings <i>2828 SE University Ave, Suite 200</i>	Community Meetings <i>22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC</i>
<p><i>For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the PPA Calendar. All committee meetings take place at the office (2828 University Avenue SE) unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area.</p> <p>Donate to PPA Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Environment Committee Tuesday Oct 24, 10am Luxton Park</p> <p>Livability Committee Wednesday, Nov 1, 7pm Draft Agenda</p> <p>N'hood Relations & Outreach Committee Thursday, Nov 9, 6pm Draft Agenda</p> <p>Planning and Land Use Committee Monday, Nov 6, 7pm Draft Agenda</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Tuesday, Nov 14, 7pm Draft Agenda</p>	<p>Community Meeting Monday Nov 27 6:30pm - 7:30pm TBD-Please see calendar</p> <p>PPA Board Meeting 7:30pm - 8:30pm TBD-Please see calendar</p> <p>Monday, Nov 20th, 5:30pm Management Council Set Board Mtg Agenda</p>

Give Thanks for Good Neighbors

Hi Neighbors,

Thank you all for your support and attendance at the events in October! I enjoyed seeing so many people across the neighborhood come out to build community and truly connect with their neighbors.

A big thank you to Officer Nick Juarez and Officer Matthew Clark for coming to the Community Meeting on October 23rd. They broke down some of the crime statistics from the month of October and how they compare to last year. The biggest take-away was that getting to know your neighbors helps keep crime at bay, so say hi to new folks as you're walking down the street!

Have a safe and fun month,

Jessica

PPA Program Manager

Planning for Minneapolis 2040 is underway

This summer and fall, a work group of the Land Use and Planning committee is spearheading the effort to formulate a planning framework to guide development and improvement of the neighborhood. This effort will be used to inform the overall [Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan](#) update for 2040. More importantly for the neighborhood, it will be the policy guide for our decisions about how we want to the area to prosper and meet the needs of our residents. The work group engaged residents in three open houses in September and collected written and online surveys to get resident

opinions and ideas. In addition, the group has coordinated and collaborated with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization, the University of Minnesota, Towerside Innovation District, and area businesses. A draft planning framework will be presented for community input at the community meeting prior to the PPA Board of Directors meeting on November 27. Following that the Land Use and Planning committee and then the Board of Directors will approve the planning framework for submittal to the city and use by the community to guide future decisions.

Thank you volunteers!

Thank you so much to the volunteers who helped make the Prospect Park Tour of Homes successful! The planning team, the home owners, and all of the volunteers who flied and helped the day-of the event deserve a big round of applause!

Clean Sweep was also successful, with 19 volunteers and 4 workers from ACE waste removal going throughout the neighborhood to pick up brush, concrete, metal and tires. There seemed to be less waste to collect this year, which made it a speedy Saturday morning.

Announcing the Towerside Business Alliance

Local business and community leaders have launched a new coalition straddling the Minneapolis/St. Paul border along the METRO Green Line. Centered on a new Innovation District just east of the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Campus, Towerside Business Alliance brings together businesses, non-profit organizations, and property owners to advocate for the area's economic health. "We believe local business should be at the core of the community's commercial strategy," Jeff Barnhart, President

of the Alliance, said. "We want to retain small businesses as well as attract new innovative companies to our area." [Continue reading...](#)

New Appointments

In addition to PPA's role serving as the neighborhood's official voice to key government agencies, a variety of other boards and commissions help connect us externally. Recently a number of residents have gone above and beyond to volunteer for these important roles serving our community.

Firstly, big congratulations to Del Hampton, PPA's Environment Committee chair and leader of Prospect Park's Community Gardens, on being appointed to the Minneapolis Park Board Community Advisory Committee by city councilmember Cam Gordon. Student Abdullahi Ahmed has been appointed to our at-large seat.

Dick Gilyard continues service on the University District Alliance, an NGO established by the Minnesota legislature in 2007 to work on the University of Minnesota interface with bordering neighborhoods. Reed Polakowski, currently earning a master's in urban planning at the Humphrey School, has also graciously volunteered to take our second seat on that Board. Vince Netz continues serving on the U of M Stadium Advisory Group and the Good Neighbor Fund Management Committee.

Two members of the PPA Transportation committee have also volunteered to represent Prospect Park to two related partner organizations. Dan Cross has been appointed to the Prospect Park seat on the Midtown Greenway Coalition. Jeremy Bergerson has also joined the related Extend the Greenway Partnership. The mission of that organization is to extend the Midtown Greenway over the Short Line Bridge into Prospect Park and on into St. Paul.

If you're already on a local/state/national board and would like to connect to PPA for info exchange and support, feel free to contact our staff member Jessica Buchberger (jessica@prospectparkmpls.org or [612-767-6531](tel:612-767-6531)).

Prospect Park Merchandise

Prospect Park t-shirts, posters commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Witch's Hat Water Tower, and the history book Under the Witch's Hat, are all for sale at the PPA office! To schedule a pick up time or for more information on pricing and availability, please call Jessica at 612-767-6531.

PPA Documents

Committee Reports

- Environment Committee ([June](#), [August](#))
- Transportation & Safety Committee ([Comp Plan Submission](#))
- Management Council ([June-August](#), [October](#))
- Livability Committee ([July and September](#))
- Neighborhood Relations & Outreach Committee ([August](#))

Official Letters

- [To the City of Minneapolis about Motley Parking](#)
- [To Extend the Greenway](#) Partnership

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