

Hamline University Neighborhood Advisory Committee (HUNAC) Committee Meeting

Monday, January 30, 2017

6:30pm – 8:30pm *Hamline Midway Library*

- FINAL MEETING NOTES -

HUNAC Members Present: Robin Hemenway, Steve Samuelson, Samantha Henningson, Roy Neal, Jessica Kopp, Karen Chaput, Mark Berkson, Al Ickler, Paige Natzke, Melissa Cortes, JacQui Getty

HUNAC Members Absent: Krista Finstad Hanson, Amy Ireland

Meeting Objectives

- 1) Review November meeting notes, approve them
- 2) Discuss proposed letter to Hamline regarding campus planning
- 3) Discuss campus boundaries map
- 4) Update on HPC historical survey work
- 5) Receive HUNAC member community updates

Welcome and Review of the Meeting Objectives

ACTIONS/DECISIONS:

The November 2016 HUNAC meeting notes were distributed in advance of the meeting, and no members offered changes. The notes will be posted to the neighbors' section of Hamline University's website by JacQui Getty.

DISCUSS PROPOSED LETTER TO HU ON CAMPUS PLANNING

HUNAC members discussed the draft and revised draft of the letter the group would like to send to Hamline administrators, asking for continued conversation and answers to some specific questions regarding the university's long-term campus planning and how HUNAC may be engaged in the process. There was discussion about who specifically the letter should go to, and it was determined that it should go to the Hamline administrators who presented to HUNAC in November, as a follow-up to that meeting, asking for another meeting that would also include a Hamline University Board of Trustees representative. JacQui agreed to make the changes to the letter that were agreed upon at the meeting and to re-distribute it to HUNAC to review again.

DISCUSS CAMPUS BOUNDARIES MAP

Samantha Henningson shared a draft of a map that showed the Hamline University official campus boundary and the general areas for the properties the university owns that are inside as well as outside of the boundary. There was discussion about the value of adding street names and parcel lines to the map. Samantha said she'd have the map updated with those changes and re-share with the group. The map would then also be put up on the neighbors' section of the Hamline University website.

UPDATE ON HPC HISTORICAL SURVEY WORK

Samantha Henningson shared that there has been a re-application for the grant to support the historic survey work, and that the group is optimistic it will receive the grant. An RFP for the contractor would then be ready in May, and the contractor would start work in July. The projected date for completion of project is April 2018. Most likely, the consultant would be able to speak with HUNAC over the summer to help determine what role HUNAC could play.

HUNAC Member and Community Updates

- Jessica Kopp shared that Hamline Elementary has received a grant to become a Community School and has hired a site coordinator. The school will organize partnerships and do a community needs assessment.
- Melissa Cortes shared that a neighbor had contacted Hamline Midway Coalition with suggestion for community conversations post US-election. The neighbor would like to find spaces for an informal group to gather periodically for community-building and discussions. HMC is discussing this.
- JacQui Getty offered an update on the mural project for the side of the building next to SA on Snelling Avenue. Hamline administration have approved that the Midway Murals group, in partnership with some faculty, staff, and students who have formed a working group for this project, may proceed with gathering ideas for what the mural would look like and may go forward with engaging an artist to lead this.
- Samantha Henningson shared that Councilmember Stark's office is working on efforts to ensure older kids in the neighborhood have things to do in the summer. Police have a list of 30 kids in neighborhood that they would like to contact about opportunities for kids to get involved in positive activities. Working through the logistics of best ways to engage the kids in this effort.
- Roy Neal shared that Historic Hamline Village has had several meetings with neighbors to gather facts for historic survey researchers and is now creating a Google docs repository for this information.
- Karen Chaput shared that the Ecumen senior housing project on Luther campus is on hold, as they have run into issues after applying for federal funding.

Upcoming HUNAC Scheduled Meeting and Proposed Meeting Topic

Monday, March 13 from 6:30-8:30pm in Hamline Library (basement).