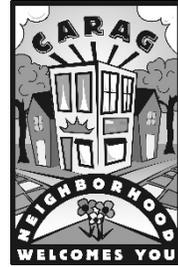


## South Uptown Neighborhood Association

Community Meeting- April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Attending: Ashley Bredeson, Scott Engel, Max Ellis, Dylan McMahon, Rollie Olson, Justin Gardiner, Jerome Chateau, Rob Raike, Brad Klein (Absent: Sophie Snow)



1. Call to Order/Announcements- Max Ellis
  - a. Statement read by Ellis on behalf of SUNA about Chauvin charges
  - b. Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm
  - c. Board members introduced themselves
  - d. Motion to approve the agenda and minutes by McMahon, seconded by Olson, motion passes
2. Bryan Square Park- Jason Green
  - a. Earth day clean up this Saturday from 9:30am-12:00 pm
  - b. Park is still under construction
    - i. Expected to be done in 3-5 weeks
  - c. Currently taking registrations for spring/summer sports programs. Can be found on Bryant Park website
  - d. Summer concert series going good, 5 current open spaces for musicians that needs to be filled.
    - i. SUNA has helped with picking artists
    - ii. Possibility to do fundraisers at concerts to pay artists
  - e. Park lights are on from 6pm-7 am for safety reasons
  - f. New equipment coming to park due to grant funding
3. Diverse Emerging Music Organization (DEMO)-Ted Martin
  - a. Board chair and president of DEMO
  - b. Non-profit focused on sustaining and promoting Minnesota's independent music legacy
    - i. Located in the White Castle off of Lyndale
  - c. MN archive project- create a repository of MN musicians
  - d. Looking to promote local releases
  - e. Demomn.org or archive.demo.mn.org
4. Development Committee- Ashley Bredeson
  - a. GVC Consultant Update on Survey Results
    - i. 284 responses, 14 interviews with board and committee members
    - ii. Consultants provided an overview of different demographic responses
    - iii. Overview of top priorities moving forward
      1. Safety (public safety; harassment; unrest)
      2. Equity (housing affordability; increasing diversity; small business support; accessibility)
      3. Community (connectedness; parks/open spaces; cleanliness; parking)
    - iv. Survey Results Q & A

1. Question regarding safety and Law Enforcement
  2. Resident asked for consultants to expand on disability accessibility
  3. Question about in which format parking concerns was captured
  4. Question about access to survey results
  5. Question about demographic makeup of interviewees
  - v. If there are further questions, please direct them to Engel
  - vi. Next Steps
    1. Finish synthesizing survey and interview data
    2. GVC to deliver final plan to SUNA
    3. SUNA will develop plan to share with neighborhood
  - vii. Survey Drawing
    1. 3 different gift cards randomly given away to survey participants
    2. Winners will be emailed
5. Land Use and Transportation Committee- Jerome Chateau
- a. Proposed 3331 Hennepin Avenue Project
    - i. Riley Co is proposing to replace a single family home with an 11-unit apartment building with a small office component. The project requires minor variances to move forward and will be reviewed by the Planning Commission in early May.
    - ii. Presented a resolution supporting certain aspects and conveyed concern about the bulk and massing along the alley including balconies.
    - iii. Increase density in alley areas, not the main corridors as is supported in 2040 plans
    - iv. The LU&T Committee approved the recommended resolution via an email vote with 5 in favor, 2 against on committee.
    - v. Motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Olson
      1. Discussion: Gardiner brought up point that resolution focuses on balcony size which he does not feel is appropriate.
        - a. Chateau confirmed that specific language related to table and chairs has been removed
      2. Bredeson questioned if it is typical to be specific in letters to contractors; if this in the past has impacted contractor decisions; and what next steps would be
      3. Discussion about homeowner right to privacy vs. what renters would want
      4. Gardiner pulled up a copy of the most recent resolution
      5. Proposal to remove comments related to balconies, and send back to the committee before the board votes
  - b. 3501 Hennepin Avenue
    - i. Engel contacted the developer and they will be reconsidering the project as it is on hold
  - c. Public works has two new concepts for Bryant ave
    - i. The road is spray painted with markings to see potential layout
    - ii. Public works staff will be in attendance at next community meeting

6. Treasurers Report- Dylan McMahon
  - a. Current accounts: \$29672.10
  - b. Bike racks, security grants, and flyering were highest expenses
  - c. Projected to be ahead of budget due to city postponing cuts
  - d. A new laptop is needed for Engel to perform SUNA activities
    - i. Cost is \$1,000
    - ii. Motion to approve laptop purchase by Ellis, seconded by Gardiner; motion passes
7. Adjourn
  - a. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:39; seconded; motion passes
8. Board Closed Session for Personnel matter.