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**North Loop Neighborhood Association  
Parks + Placemaking Committee April Meeting Notes**

**Date: 4/13/2022**

**Time 6:00 pm**

[Zoom Link](#)

1. 7 of 9 Committee Members in attendance: Amber Taft, Tony Burke, Andrew Schaefer, David Crary, Quentin Misiag, Bri Sharkey-Smith, Sarah Holland
  - a. Guests: Colleen Ciraulo (Marquee) Bob Pfefferle (Hines), Cristy Blake, David Kisan (NLNA Board)
  - b. Absent: Edward Eroe, Andrew Morse
2. Committee Called to Order at 6:08pm
3. Presentation from Marquee/Hines on North Loop Green Development
  - a. Construction beginning on North Loop Green, coming Spring 2024
  - b. Marquee Development- based in Chicago, born out of the Chicago Cubs and Wrigley Field development- created Gallagher Way
    - i. Showing NLNA the potential that could be brought to North Loop Green
    - ii. Year-round programming with an events team dedicated to 365 days a year activity
  - c. North Loop Green- 1 acre of park, connected to the Cedar Lake Trail,
    - i. Looking for local business to partner with: small theaters, artist, and music groups- etc.
    - ii. Planning to allow time for the park to be empty, calm, and relaxing
    - iii. Plan to schedule and program around the Twins schedule so there is no conflict, also going to be working with the Twins for events
  - d. Hines will control North Loop Green
    - i. Not controlled by the City of Minneapolis or the Minneapolis Parks Board
    - ii. Dealing with MNDOT for rights underneath the highways and overpasses
    - iii. Private park programmed for public use- will be accessible to the public most of the time, potential to be rented by private groups or businesses

- e. Most of what is offered at Gallagher Park is free- Patrons can purchase food or beverages and equipment to rent. Some ticketed events
  - f. A survey has been sent to Parks + Placemaking on what types of events people are interested in seeing at the park. NLNA will share this on social channels
    - i. Hines is looking for support and advice from Parks + Placemaking
    - ii. Planning to meet and talk next time Colleen and Bob are in town and once P+P creates a sub-committee for North Loop Green
4. Public Art and Welcome to David Kisan
- a. New partnership with Fashion Week Minnesota, Glass House, Minneapolis Farmers Market, Sip n Bloom, and Studio Moss
    - i. Large scale installation- picnic basket to be installed in the Minneapolis farmer's market
    - ii. Installed before May 1<sup>st</sup>, prior to the opening of the farmer's market
    - iii. Sina Pleggenkuhle from the NLNA Board is producing a whole season of programming at the farmer's market
  - b. Kisan wants to know current plan for 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park— covered later in the agenda
5. New Parks + Placemaking Organizational Structure Proposal (Burke)
- a. Want to address the growing scope of Parks + Placemaking committee
  - b. The goal is to set up subcommittees that can do work between the monthly P+P meetings, they will report up to the P+P committee
  - c. Parks + Placemaking Committee review a document created by Burke to introduce Sub-Committees and Project Teams
    - i. Sub-Committees will be established with the intention that the work requires long-term and ongoing responsibilities
    - ii. Project Teams will be established with the intention of a limited scope of work and specific objectives that have a definitive conclusion
  - d. Proposed Sub-Committees and Project Teams
    - i. Sub-Committees
      - 1. Public Art Sub
      - 2. James I Rice Park/Welcome Park
      - 3. North Loop Zero Waste
      - 4. Dog Park
      - 5. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park
    - ii. Project Teams
      - 1. Tractor Works Passway
      - 2. North Loop Green Consult
  - e. NLNA Board is responsible for Service-Saturday
  - f. Discussion of responsibilities and near-term goals for Sub-Committees and Project Teams
  - g. Goal is to recruit other general members of the North Loop to be on these committees

- h. Schaefer makes a motion to adopt the Sub-Committees and Project Teams, Crary seconds the motion, the vote passes unanimously**
- i. Sub-Committee
  - i. Public Art Sub-Committee— Sarah Holland
  - ii. James I. Rice Park Sub Committee— David Crary, Tony Burke, Sarah Holland, Bri Sharkey-Smith, Quinten Misiag
  - iii. Zero Waste Sub Committee— Tony Burke, Andrew Schaefer
  - iv. Dog Park Sub-Committee— Quinten Misiag, Tony Burke, Amber Taft
  - v. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park Sub-Committee— Andrew Schaefer, Amber Taft, David Crary, Quinten Misiag, Tony Burke
  - vi. Tractor Works Project Team— David Crary
  - vii. North Loop Green Project Team— Tony Burke, Amber Taft
- 6. Friends of the Mississippi River Follow-up (Crary)
  - a. Two public listening sessions, Friends of the Mississippi gave their notes to the MPLS Parks Board. Minneapolis Parks Board returned their comments
  - b. David Crary, as a steward of the park, has made a statement to say that NLNA and the volunteers will be following the suggestions of Friends of the Mississippi
  - c. Looking for a member of the Friends of the Mississippi to give a presentation to the P+P Committee
  - d. Burke is looking at partnering with General Mills and Nature Valley to get a sponsorship to put goats in the park for a few weeks in May and September (2023)
- 7. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park Next Steps
  - a. Andrew S. compiled all data from listening sessions and surveys
  - b. Going to further discuss in 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Sub-Committee
- 8. Tony makes a motion to adjourn, Amber seconds, committee adjourned at 7:41pm**