

Housing Committee Minutes

Dec. 6, 2023

Community Attendance: Doug Herkenhoff, Michael Nelson, Soren Stephenson, Holly Reckle, ?

Staff: Sami Smetana and Sarah Linnes-Robinson

LNA-owned property

Info that we will review at the meeting

(https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/12Br_gSHS0VCluvYMDxSmQwAlEiuThCfN?usp=sharing).

- Review data on LNA owned vacant lots--what other information do we need to have to move a process/recommendation to the LNA Board forward?

Options:

- Sell outright
- Develop with an affordable housing developer
- Invest in an affordable housing development
- Maintain as a garden (Environment Committee is fine letting the site go)
- Lease land to a business at Corner?
- Solar garden?
- Charge more for gardens?
- Do gardeners want to do a fundraiser?
- Unfairness of asking Spanish speaking garden to fundraise?
- Have another group manage the gardens?

Limitations to what NRP funds can be used for?

New investment option for affordable housing?

Develop process:

- Raise rates for this year
- Put a timeline on the process: decision made by Sept 1
- Do you sell or hold? And if hold needs a decision how, and if to sell, a plan to do that?
- Form sub-committee with reps from both committees
- Environment committee to create a fundraising plan for the year for all gardens
- Analyze costs
- List options
- Get input

Timeline?

This growing season or next?

Is there a value of affordable vs. market rate or density vs single family?

Home ownership at corner lot? Could do on a small scale on one of our lots. Habitat??

Multi-family?

Multi-neighborhood Affordable Housing Collective summary/FAQ.

Committee Name Change: since we're not doing a whole lot with just housing, aka built Environment Committee?

No Updates:

- Updates on Burger King and Casablanca (if available)

Future Meetings:

Jan 3rd Agenda

Staff-- Sarah L-R

- Victoria Yepez, Casablanca Foods site

Feb 7th Agenda

Staff-- Sarah L-R

- Lyndale Avenue Update--Amy Arcand and Willow Consulting
- Updates on PPL 3030
- Bringing together the Multi-neighborhood Affordable Housing Collective