

Northern Metals Advisory Committee Meeting

12/17/2018 Meeting Notes

Compiled by The Public Policy Project

Meeting Location:

ECMN | 1101 West Broadway Ave Minneapolis, MN 55411

Next Meeting:

Jan 28th | Location : TBD

Attendees:

Melissa Newman

Meilsa Illes

Anita Urvina-Davis

Roxxanne O'Brien

Michelle Ricart

John Hemp

Facilitator

James Trice-**Owner of Public Policy Projects(PPP)**

Sam Grant -**Lead Consultant**

Shaundelle Darris-**Lead & Asthma Organizer**

City Staff

Lisa Smestad

Gretchen Musicant

Kelly Muellman

Absent

Amber Ortiz

Andre Bornhoft

Adam Spees

Annie Krapek

Channy Leaneagh

Mary Tim- **Intern**

Patrick Hanlon

Rules of engagement for group

- Honesty and respect
- No condiciending language
- Giving everyone an opportunity to speak
- Not being afraid to ask for clarification
- Be mindful of time
- Don't take information personal

Sam Grant (Facilitator)

Introduction

- First half of meeting will be open to the community.
- Room introductions given from council members members, city staff and PPP.
- Brief review of last meeting

Lisa Smestad (City Staff): (see attachment)

Budget 1

- Developed and based on feedback from previous meetings
- Looking to provide more emphasis on incentives and resources to individual, in addition to proper compensation for those who provide education
- This budget will also be based on pro bono roles

Budget 2

- Is similar to budget 1 , however city will be less involved within the process and evaluation

Budget 3

- Focuses on maximizing the give to community members and affected families
- However, would also like to note this budget will shrink the number of families its can assist

It's also important to point out , this money will be used as a last resort if community organizations are able to assist first. City will go that route.

City has just received 71,000 for asthma work per year.

Community member question: Chemicals used for pest removal are triggers for asthma. How will we know they are using safe chemicals for families who have been affected by asthma?

Lisa Smestad (City Staff): We use bait stations instead of bombs to make sure impacted areas are controlled as possible.

Melissa Newman (Council Members): I'm concerned about costs of community health workers.

Lisa Smestad (CityStaff): We will be using community organizations to do the outreach work to help lower the cost and city will be utilized just for support, which also helps lower cost.

Anita Davis (Council Members): What is the possibility the \$71,000 budget can change or be eliminated through the years?

Gretchen Musicant (City Staff): This is a new concept, however we feel confident it can be renewed and tracked through the years.

Anita Davis (Council Members): Is it possible for pest management to have stipulations for using low toxicity or chemical free pest management?

Rochell Peleska (SRC): Has the committee decided how we will control and manage kids who can receive the gift cards stated in proposals?

Akisha Everett (HUB) : Door knocking will be key in management and targeting your areas to be tested and receive incentives.

Melissa Newman (Council Members):With the money just recieved, what will you need to provide in order to receive and keep going?

Gretchen Musicant (City Staff): We provided research that showed lower rates for kids with hospital visits, parent missing less work and lower rates of kids missing school. But we ultimately believe the change in city councilman is the reason the proposal was approved this time.

Melisa Illese (Council Members): I like group idea of educating families on medical advice as wells as offering incentives for their time.

Roxanne O'brien (Council Members):

- City view should be considered to work with since they were in the fall out from Northern Metals poisoning.
- We should give money to the schools and clinics.
- Believes community should guide what they need instead of city.
- At least 50% should go to what the family is saying they need.

Sam Grant PPP:

Do we want the city to do evaluation or a third party?

Melissa Newman (Council Members): City

Meilsa Illes(Council Members): City

Anita Urvina-Davis(Council Members): City

Roxanne O'Brien (Council Members) City

Michelle Ricart (Council Members):City

John Hemp(Council Members):City

Based on this vote budget 2 will be eliminated

Council will like to combine Budget 1 and asthma education of Budget 3 together; is this possible?

City: Yes, however will need a little more time for review, with the suggestions made of education and outreach be moved it would be 52/48 split.

Sam Grant (PPP) Would you like a feedback session to hear next steps and follow up to proposal?

Council would like to stay involved.

Gretchen Musicant (City Staff) The process ideal will go as following:

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- We will report back to city council on information we have decided.
- Lisa will create the foundation of what's brought to council.
- Then next step would be to write thre contract.
- Anticipates getting final draft to city by Jan.

Closing meeting with planning to meet Jan 28th