

**Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission
Committee of the Whole
Wednesday April 9, 2013
North Commons Recreation Center**

Unapproved Minutes

Commissioners Present: Jeff Strand, Doron Clark, Matthew Bartelemy, Ishmael Israel, Carol Pass

Staff Present: Lance Knuckles, Howard Blin

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM.

1. Approve Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Approve Minutes of March 12, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meeting

The minutes were discussed but not approved due to a lack of a quorum from that meeting. A correction was made to show Jeff Strand was present at the meeting via telephone.

3. Community Innovation Fund

The Committee discussed the goals for the program, with the following comments:

- Based on the input received from the neighborhoods, the goals should remain broad.
- There was agreement that the goals should address the need to move the city toward greater equity and connectivity.
- Using the example of the City's Affordable Housing Reserve Fund, 50 percent of the CIF funding should be allocated to partnerships between neighborhoods and community organizations.
- The goals for the CIF should all follow from the overall goals established by the Mayor, which include: 1) Growing the city; 2) Achieving equity; 3) Making the City Enterprise run better.
- The goals for the CIF should also tie back to the goals recently established by the City Council (www.minneapolismn.gov/citygoals)
- There was general agreement that using the Council goals would show that neighborhood organizations are working to achieve the City's goals.

- There was discussion as to whether the goals should be weighted. Or perhaps reference only those goals most relevant to the CIF program. Example could be the goals of One Minneapolis or Living Well.
- It was also acknowledged that while the current NCEC members will be drafting the guidelines, the will likely be new members on the Commission after June who will be evaluating project proposals and making funding recommendations.

Summary

The meeting concluded with agreement on the following items:

- 1) Most of the project goals should follow those established by the City Council.
- 2) There was general consensus that the goal of One Minneapolis should receive the greatest weighting.
- 3) There was also discussion on using the goal of Living Well.
- 4) The full Commission must determine which of the goals should be eliminated.

It was agreed that staff will draft a set of guidelines for review at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole, which is scheduled for May 14th.

.The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Submitted by Howard Blin