

# Meeting Minutes

NRP Policy Board

August 21, 2018

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room at Crown Roller Mill

**Members Present:** NCEC Commissioners: David Boyd, Jeff Strand, , Marci Mariani, Senator Torres-Ray, Director Samuels, Jaime Makepeace

**Staff Present:** David Rubedor, Cheyenne Brodeen and Aria Fine

The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

## 1. Public Comment

No one appeared to give public comment.

## 2. Agenda and Minutes from June 19, 2018

Approval of the agenda – motion Mariani/Torres-Ray 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed unanimously

Approval of the June 19, 2018 Minutes – motion Strand/Mariani 2<sup>nd</sup>, Torres-Ray abstains.  
Motion passed.

## 3. Workgroup Updates

Strand shared an update on behalf of the Governance Workgroup. The equity training was good and Strand shared that it will be very important to take accurate notes from the workgroup meetings. The workgroups are 1/3 of the way through their meetings.

Boyd shared an update on behalf of the City-wide Engagement Policy Workgroup. Boyd shared that they have yet to set their Workgroup specific goals.

Mariani shared an update on behalf of the Program Guidelines Workgroup. Mariani shared that the equity training was good and well received. Mariani stated that she is concerned that the workgroup meetings aren't as productive as maybe they could be. She also shared that members are unsure of their terms.

Rubedor explained the workgroup structure and shared that the workgroups were designed to allow new people into the process. The workgroup meetings are intended to be held at a higher level with the end product of the workgroups to be a framework for the new program.

Boyd also shared concern that there are empty seats on the workgroups that are designated for City Council Members. He would like to see those filled. Rubedor shared that we have been in contact with the City Council in efforts to fill those seats.

Sen. Torres Ray shared that she is hearing concern from neighborhoods about the Neighborhoods 2020 process. She said that neighborhoods are feeling disconnected and that better communication and engagement should be done with neighborhoods to ensure their voice is heard through this process.

A discussion about NRP Policy Board membership was held. Boyd shared his concerns about the empty seats on the board and feels as though the work of the NRP Policy Board should be important enough of the elected officials seated on this body to participate.

#### 4. Update on Cedar Riverside/West Bank Neighborhood Status

Ariah Fine, Neighborhood Specialist with NCR shared that the West Bank Community Coalition has ceased to operate. Cedar Riverside NRP is now up and running, however, there are no current open contracts with them. They are in the process of seeking new board members and will hold their annual board election in December.

The meeting was adjourned by a consensus vote of the Board members at 6:23pm