

Minutes of October 13, 2021
FNA Annual Meeting on Zoom

Board Members Present: Chris Black, Andrea Davila, Ray Klahr, Jane Kohnen, Carolina Li, Jill Lock, Nikki Nethercott-Nierman, Michael Wagner and Steve Young

Guests: Ruth Olson, Sen. Scott Dibble, Rep. Frank Hornstein, Rep. Jamie Long, CM Linea Palmisano, Casey Carl and approximately 25 neighbors.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

FNA Accomplishments for the Year: Ray welcomed everyone to the meeting and briefly went over some highlights of the year including modified events, the new Racial Equity committee and development presentations.

Charter Amendment Presentation: Minneapolis City Clerk Casey Carl presented an overview of the three proposed City Charter amendments and how they would each affect the workings of the city. Ruth will post the presentation on our website and link to a recording on the Kingfield You Tube Channel.

Friend of Fulton Awards: Awards were presented to Amanda Niskode-Dossett and Gabriella, Cris and Lucia Olson.

State of Minnesota Update: State Senator Scott Dibble and State Representatives Frank Hornstein and Jamie Long discussed:

- The Minnesota legislature remains the only one in the country to be split between parties; this makes progress very difficult.
- In the Senate, Sen. Dibble worked on E-12 education, higher education, catalytic converter theft, economic support programs, elections, taxes, health and human services and the environment. Moderate gains were made in some areas.
- In the House, Rep. Hornstein is Chair of the Transportation Committee and worked on infrastructure and the METRO E Line rapid transit bus system. Rep. Long is the Chair of the Climate and Energy Committee and worked on energy efficiency subsidies, public safety and redistricting.

Ward 13 Update: Councilmember Linea Palmisano reported:

- There is an important election this year for many city and park offices as well as ballot measures.
- Fulton neighborhood has seen two significant commercial development proposals. The proposal on the 5000 block of France has been approved; the proposal on the 4900 block of France has just finished their formal application.
- Looking at safe walking routes for Lake Harriet Upper Campus.
- Closely working with Metro Transit on the METRO E Line. The most significant change for Fulton will be the station at 50th & France.
- The previously promised sidewalk reconstruction at 50th & France is now being reconsidered due to a full review of the western half of Fulton in terms of road/sidewalk reconstruction vs. repaving. She will know more in about 6 months.

Board Elections: The election will be held online this year starting at 8 a.m. on 10/14 and ending at 5 p.m. on 10/20. There are 2 one-year terms and up to 7 two-year terms available. The candidates introduced themselves or are featured in a Voter Guide on the website: Andrea Davila, Dylan McMahon, Katrina Kessler, Ray Klahr, Jill Lock, Stephanie Tom, Michael Wagner and Steve Young. Results will be posted on 10/21/21. Further nominations from the floor were invited, but there were none.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Ruth Olson, Neighborhood Coordinator

Approved by FNA Board: _____

Signed: _____

Kirk Weber, Secretary