

Hawthorne Neighborhood Meeting Notes

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North Mpls Riverfront Development History, Existing Conditions, Expected Happenings

- Alicia gave overview of FMR, work in critical area
- Explained MNRRA, ATF, and AFCAC
- McKnight funding for research of past plans connecting N mpls to river, CURA research assistant
- Northern Metals possibly relocating
- Green Finger idea for getting people to the river and green space
- UHT is a priority for the park board
- Movies in the Park→ Summer 2016, Dowling, see what space can be used for

Hawthorne Neighborhood Insights/Overview

- Kaitlin: plan is so BIG, so much in it, overwhelming to think about
 - will it actually happen in our lifetime?
 - How can WE help? It's so long term→ what concrete things can we do now?
- Topic of discussion for neighborhood? Needs to be focused on a specific area or development or space, not the whole picture or else people will tune out and be overwhelmed and not know how to help
- MN is unique, weather, people, neighborhoods....use that
- Historical landmarks in North, what will we do with them in the plan? What can we do with them?
- Health and Wellbeing initiative
 - get active, go to parks, volunteer→ possibility of getting more community members out to parks and to FMR events
- If UHT and ATF get redeveloped and more green space is given, "people would be out of their homes more" and there would be "things to do IN North"
- PRG Homes (27th and Lyndale)
- Ecovillage
- solar panels→ Shiloh Temple
 - hire locally
 - energy to community first
- Yoga and Boxing Studio→ old fire station on Lowry
 - Free yoga→ aimed at mental and physically handicapped
 - youth boxing
 - Bring into bike lane loop by river?

Partnership

- FMR relies on local groups
 - make sure local voices are heard
 - start the conversation
- FMR to Hawthorne meeting→ spring, CURA
- Hawthorne could help advertise events on/near the river, get more community members out there
- If people could SEE the site, that would spark more conversation
- TOUR of the site, see the UHT and what is planned, gives people better base for giving insight and feedback – Get people to the site and then ask what they want to see.
- “If they want the input, we need to be able to see the spot” -Kaitlin

Communications

- Hawthorne Huddle
- Email updates to Kaitlin and Diana directly
 - dhawkins@hncmpls.org
 - ksnoddy@hncmpls.org
 - Specify if they should send JUST to board or to community as a whole
- Bi-weekly newsletter→ Thursdays
- Quarterly magazine→ The Vibe (Next edition is January 2016)
- Social media
 - Facebook
 - [NextDoor](#)