

**North End Neighborhood Organization  
Land Use and Housing Committee  
Tuesday February 27, 2018 Meeting Minutes  
6:30 PM**

The meeting began with welcome and introductions

**Present:** Ethan Osten, Amanda Cade, Renee Holst, Betti Ingman, Jason Peterson

**Absent:** Shannon Eckman, Noel Nix, Rich Holst, Cheryl VanKampen, John Jungwityh (resigned), Matt Sletten, Patrick McGuire

A motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 45 West Ivy and a CURA application under new business was M/S/A

A motion to approve the January 2018 meeting minutes was M/S/A

784 Agate Street: Re-established a non-conforming use for over one year vacant, discussion of exterior remodel and neighborhood impact. **The applicant did not attend**

**Natalia Madryga: 44 Acker:** Hmong American Partnership (HAP) is planning to expand its current operations at 44 Acker and upgrade the facility. HAP's goal is to enhance the space used to train clients. Additionally, there is long wait list for their programs at Acker and with the completion of this project, they will be able to serve more clients at any given time.

Information was distributed regarding their proposal. HAP transportation site-trains drivers from eighteen different nationalities. They provide services and help their community to be self-sufficient including transportation. They do not have enough drivers or space for training. They would like to renovate and upgrade the space. The training is free.

They are seeking 6 million dollars in funding from the State for Acker and Plato. They plan to expand the mechanic program as well. They are requesting a letter of support from NENO to HAP. Regarding the on-going dialogue as the project moves forward they are also requesting one or two members join a steering committee. A motion to support the project with a letter of support was M/S/A.

**1100 Albemarle: David Nelson:** building a house on a 29.5 feet wide lot-variance of 6 inches David Nelson is attempting to build a home for section 8 on an empty lot. He gave the background of who would like in the home. He is looking to see what type of variance the neighborhood would prefer. He went to the zoning department and would need one of two variances; setback variance or a minimum width of the house, needed 6 inches, the setback variance would be 3-6 inches. The committee supports the setback variance because it will give the house more space. A motion to support the setback variance was M/S/A.

**Committee policy on recommendations to the board regarding timing**

The committee decided to have the board respond to the Land Use/Housing Committee recommendations by email if timing is an issue.

**Jason Peterson-Neighborworks-2017 Review and 2018 Programs**

Jason Peterson will present at a future meeting when more members are present

**New Business**

**A** CURA grant for an intern will be submitted.

45 West Ivy: There is a legislative hearing Thursday March 1, 2018 regarding the site plan.

Members are requested to draw people to the committee

Having a projector at the meetings to show the projects would be helpful, Betti Ingman will look into this.

**Adjourn**