

North End Neighborhood Organization (d-6)
Land Use & Housing Committee
June 22, 2021 Meeting Notes

Present: Alan Richardson Hohn, Nate Nins, Stephen Horn, Mikki Murray, Dionne Alkamooneh, Jason Peterson, Matt Sletten, Dianne Schultz, Allan Kingdom

Absent: Joseph Wiggins, Tyrone Maxwell, Tim Luedtke, John Riederer, Dareld Meggitt

The meeting opened with welcome & introductions

A motion to approve the agenda was M/SA

Allan Kingdom 398-402 Front Avenue Variance and Conditional Use Permit request to build a Supportive Housing facility

Allan Kingdom presented a revised proposal and additional information regarding the importance of supportive living for teens; the community impact of homeless, the cultural experiences of homelessness, youth homelessness *“According to HMIS MN, 42% of the homeless population identified as African American in 2019. With our overqualified and diverse staff, we are proud that we will be able to service our residents with not only helpful but culturally relevant programs. This will aid clients (no matter the background) to be able to feel safe and comfortable. Diversity will assist in our residents having positive examples and leaders in our society in which they can relate to, who will not only be building the facility but also running the programs, maintaining the home, and counseling the residents”.*

Discussion regarding the site plan and structure was discussed. A neighbor comment was to remove the garage so additional space could be used for programming, library or additional recreational space. Parking will not be an issue.

A motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit with the inclusion of the variance was M/S/A unanimously.

Jason Peterson: Neighborworks Home Partners

Neighborworks are continuing the programs; five families have purchased homes through Neighborworks since the last meeting, two families took advantage of the home repair funds and there is the development of three homes in the neighborhood. The City of Saint Paul will continue funding to Neighborworks.

New Business

There was no new business

Old Business

There was no old business

Community Comment

There was no community comment

Adjourn