

# **CapitolRiver Council Meeting Agenda**

August 16, 2022, Board of Directors Meeting, 5:15 p.m.

Board members and the public are invited to attend via Zoom videoconference.

## **Zoom Meeting Link**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87480273918?pwd=K1ppS1RycFpZMlZSZGIxeEQxNHBPZz09>

Meeting ID: 874 8027 3918, Passcode: 122532

## **Rules of Procedure**

Welcome to our meeting! When we make decisions as a group, we want all board members and guests to have the opportunity to participate in the discussion. Please wait to be recognized by the Board Chair or other person who is facilitating the meeting. Keep comments and questions brief, and relevant to the agenda item that is being discussed. Avoid making personal attacks or using disrespectful language.

Please see the complete Rules of Procedure at the end of this document for more detail.

## **Call to Order, Introductions, and Review Meeting Minutes, Chair Jess Grams (5:15-5:30 p.m.)**

Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on Dakota land and the home of the Ojibway people. We also note that we are blessed to use this digital platform, which is not always available to low-income, rural, or indigenous people and communities. We reflect on this to remember our responsibility and privilege to protect these spaces -- both physical and digital -- and to maintain a respectful environment where all people feel welcome, safe, and able to access the process of decision-making in our work.

- I. Introductions -- Attendees are asked to introduce themselves and answer the following ice-breaker question: What is one thing that you would like to change about CRC?
- II. Previous meeting minutes: Please review the May and June 2022 board meeting minutes. If there are no objections or requested changes, the minutes will be adopted.

## **Action Item (5:30-6:15 p.m.)**

- III. Resolution from the CRC Public Realm Committee regarding the proposal by The Listening House to purchase the former location of Savoy restaurant at 421 7th Street East to provide services to people who are experiencing homelessness.

Background:

- [Video of the July 27 City of Saint Paul Housing and Redevelopment Authority \(HRA\) meeting](#) where the HRA voted to approve the execution of a development and loan agreement under tax increment financing spending plan authority for the project; to authorize waiver of the 45-day notice period in the Early Notification System (ENS), approving the use of a project labor agreement, and approving an HRA budget amendment.
- [City of Saint Paul HRA Resolution \(RES 22-1150\)](#) that was approved at the July 27 HRA meeting
- [Letter of Support for the project](#) (CRC members voted to sign on in support at the June 28 Annual Meeting)

The committee requested that the following resolution be considered by the CRC Board:

The Saint Paul City Council recently waived the customary 45-day public notification period and authorized a \$1.4 million “forgivable” loan to the Listening House for the purchase and remodeling of the Red’s Savoy location. While the CapitolRiver Council is in support of the Listening House project and understands its desire to expedite it in order for the facility to be operational by winter, the CRC also supports adequate public notification on issues which affect our neighborhoods. When the City doesn't follow the customary notification rules it can erode community trust in the City.

Therefore, be it resolved, the CapitolRiver Council objects to the City Council’s waiver of the public notification period.

(NOTE: This resolution requires a motion, a second, and a majority vote by the board.)

#### **Financial Update (6:15-6:25 p.m.)**

- IV. The monthly Financial Statements are posted on the website. A request for \$5,666.74 has been submitted to the City to reimburse CRC for expenses for May.

#### **Pedro Park Work Group Update (6:25-6:35 p.m.)**

- V. Julie Printz will provide an update on the public meeting on July 25 and other recent updates.

#### **Board Member Updates (6:25-6:40 p.m.)**

- VI. Board member updates and requests for future agenda items.

#### **Adjournment – 6:45 p.m.**

#### **CRC MISSION**

CapitolRiver Council, an official advisory group to the City Council, represents and works in partnership with all District 17 stakeholders to act on urban planning and community building efforts as part of a shared vision to support sustainable, safe, healthy, and vibrant neighborhoods.

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**Welcome to our meeting! When we make decisions as a group, we want all board members to have the opportunity to participate in the discussion. The following rules enable us to move through our agenda efficiently, while giving people with different opinions the opportunity to participate in the discussion. When we invite guests to participate, we ask that you also agree to the following:**

- Turn off or silence cell phones.
- Wait to be recognized by the board chair before speaking.
- Only one person speaks at a time.
- Keep comments brief – please stay within the allotted time on the agenda for committee updates and other agenda items, and keep other questions and comments to 1 minute.
- Keep comments to the agenda item that is being discussed.
- When you have given your opinion or asked a question, allow others time to give their opinion or ask a question before speaking again.
- Avoid making personal attacks or using disrespectful or offensive language.
- Unless otherwise specified in CRC Bylaws or policy, board action requires:
  - A motion by a board member, seconded by another board member (except that a motion by a committee does not need to be seconded).
  - Discussion by board members.
  - Discussion by the public at the discretion of the chair.

- A majority of board members must vote in favor of the motion.
- If a board member proposes one or more changes to a motion, the board must first vote on the proposed change(s) and then vote on the motion.
- If a board member makes a motion to end the debate on an agenda item and call the previous question, and if it is seconded by another board member, the board must vote on that motion without debate, and if a majority of board members vote in favor of the motion to call the previous question, the board must vote on the motion that was being debated.