

West Side Voices Forum - Notes 2/12/19 (6:45pm-8pm)

Community: Tygra Myanna, Emily Myanna, Monica Bryand, Sylvia Schwarz, Gail Merriam, Zona Butler, Dan Conlan, Martin Hernandez, Monica Marrocco, Katrina Mendoza, Signe Hushagen, Sherilyn Young, Ellie Leonardsmith, Barb Rose, Laurie Sovell, Tera Scovill, Jolene Beitz, Sue Letourneou, Bob Craft, Jen Crea, Kelsey Leonardsmith, Ikram Koliso, Gary Nelson, Hokan Miller

Staff: Monica Bravo, Leah Shepard

- Ellie Starts meeting at 6:58
- Introductions
- Reflections on Community Agreements
 - How to disagree with things that are brought forward in a positive way/ not disrespecting city staff.
 - Respond by calling folks in
 - notice tension, sit back
- Review of Voting - Fist to Five
 - New Executive Structure of group- 5 persons to leadership team
 - 2 meetings a month (main Forum and leadership meeting) agenda setting and planning
- Floor opened for leadership elections
 - Nominated:
 - Signe Hushagen**
 - Katrina Mendoza**
 - Ellie Leonardsmith**
 - Martin Hernandez**
 - Monica Bryand**
 - Question: Can people who are not voting members run for the leadership team? Group decides, yes (via fist to five).
 - Suggestion to revisit leadership team in a few months.

This slate is voted in. 5s across the board.
- 631 Stryker Ave
 - Requesting letter of support for STAR grant.
 - Not here tonight though
- Monica talks about intent of forum & history
 - WSCO works on things that are systemic in nature

- Strategic plan refresh - driving values
- Investment rationale, strategic sieve
- What's up at WSCO
 - Feb 26th - Stryker Rezoning Community Meeting
 - This week - tentative developer status for 617 Stryker
 - March Meeting - Opportunity Zones, Scorecard (get through planning commission as a small area plan)
 - Signe has a refreshed final final copy of scorecard
 - Affordable housing table and housing shortage, May 2 or 3 large city wide forums on possible housing processes
 - March 1st -Monica at Cowles Auditorium and Forum on Local Approaches to Gentrification
 - CURA report - WSCO in it
 - Read Brave on Housing, Evicted Book Discussion - March 21st
 - August - Full time intern (full year), Issues for Renters and Landlords
 - Our Streets// Our Stories
 - Micro Business Grants - CVZ funds
 - Banners up by May for del Sol, hopefully others by fall
 - Spring corridor cleanups
 - Parque Castillo community vending a couple times this summer
 - IWWOC Table
 - Municipal ID initiative meeting
 - Feb 17th - Train the Training Caucus Training for precinct caucuses
 - March 10th - Precinct Caucus Night and Convention 2:30pm sign in, start time at 3
 - Root and Restore - Safety through the lense of healing and justice
- Community Announcements
 - Barb Rose -West Side Farmers Market - meeting on Sunday from 3-5 pm at Cherokee Park United Church Basement, gearing up for summer
 - Tera Scovill - Saint Paul Sustainable To-Go Ordinance
 - Feb 20th City Council voting on amendment to ordinance so it can be enforced. Rebecca currently not supporting
 - Ask: Follow facebook and website. Zerowastesaintpaul.com
 - Sign up to send a letter to city council members
 - Monica Bryand - Port Authority
 - Pigs Eye Lake - Hearing Next Tuesday the 19th 4-6pm at Battle Creek Rec Center
 - Sherilyn
 - May 1 Coalition to March to the capitol on May 1st

Meeting closes at 8:09