



**CIDNA Board Minutes – December 13, 2023**  
Jones-Harrison Lakeview Room (3700 Cedar Lake Avenue)

**Board members in attendance**

Erica, Pam D., Patty, Amanda, Tim, Pamela T., Steve, Mark, Tom  
Coordinator Rachel

**Call to Order – Erica at 5:59 pm**

Approval of Agenda – Tom moved, Amanda seconded, motion passed.

Approval of November minutes w/ addition of Pam D.'s attendance – Mark moved, Pam seconded, motion passed.

**Presentations**

*Updates sent from Council Member Goodman*

Erica gave a summary of Council Member Goodman's report as she was unable to attend. Report is available in the meeting folder for board review.

*Kaydee Kirk, Green Line Extension updates*

Kaydee was unable to attend at the last minute due to illness. Please feel free to read the December update from the Met Council [here](#).

**Reports & Updates**

*Coordinator Report – Survey Results*

Rachel gave a summary of the CIDNA survey results. The report is available in the meeting folder for board review.

- It was noted that the response rate was 2% of the neighborhood population, or 10% of our email list which was the primary communication path of the survey. Pamela T. noted the board should work toward a 30% response rate or better of the neighborhood in future. Possibly through board members and/or volunteers door knocking. Pamela also asked if the city directly funded mailings for Neighborhoods (separate from city funding to neighborhoods), Rachel and Amanda believe this is not the case, Patty offered to check with CIDNA's City rep Ariah.
- Erica asked to have the list of people who expressed interest in volunteering emailed to her. Amanda and Patty offered to look at the list as well. Rachel will mail the list to the board.

*Social Events Report*

Amanda and Patty gave updates on the following items.

- Holiday mART had 8 vendors this year and slow/steady attendance. It was great to see many Jones-Harrison residents shopping. Possible opportunities for next year were discussed.
- Kenwood Neighborhood Association (KNO) is planning an Earth Day swap meet at the Kenwood Community Center on April 20<sup>th</sup>. The board discussed the possibility of participating and will continue to discuss it at the January meeting.

- A neighborhood Trivia Night is confirmed to happen on Thursday, January 25 at 7pm at Taberna. West Maka Ska Neighborhood Association is co-sponsoring the event with CIDNA.

### *Financial/Budget Report and Discussion*

Patty gave updates on the following items.

- Fundraising efforts in December, via email and snail mail, have resulted in approximately \$1,500 being raised so far.
- Patty provided additional context to the board on CIDNA's NCR funds. The original funds were used for housing initiatives what CIDNA has now is repayments, numerous other neighborhoods are also reallocating these funds to administrative needs as the city's overall funding has decreased, and CIDNA has approximately \$119,000 still in this fund at this time.
- A draft of the 2024 budget was presented. The draft is available in the meeting folder for the board to review. Discussion was conducted. The board will review and approve the 2024 budget at the January meeting.
  - Mark noted a need to increase income sources. He recommended a special meeting to specifically develop a fund-raising plan.

### **Action Items**

#### *Multi-Neighborhood Housing Initiative*

Erica reminded the board of the plan presented by the Lyndale Neighborhood Association (LNA) at the November meeting and reviewed the updated information from LNA. Discussion was conducted.

***Motion was made to decline to fund this project – Patty moved, Pamela seconded, motion passed with one abstaining.***

#### *Communication Planning and Hill & Lakes Press (HLP) deadlines and costs*

HLP has shifted their deadline again. It is now the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior (i.e. December 15<sup>th</sup> for January paper). We will place an ad for January for the Trivia night and the Neighborhood Safety Meeting with KNO (see under new business).

#### *Board Retreat in early 2024*

It was decided that Erica would send out a doodle poll to determine the best time to hold the retreat. Please respond to the poll by Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business or other updates**

- Patty shared two partnering opportunities with Lowry & Kenwood neighborhoods and requested a decision on whether to move forward with either of them. The board decided to not participate this time in the precinct meal event on 1/2/24. The board decided to move forward with the Neighborhood Safety Meeting on 1/26/24 more information will be discussed at the January meeting.
- Steve shared that the intersection work (Dean Pkwy and Lake) has been completed and construction debris is mostly cleaned up. He noted it would be nice to have paint markings removed and possible plantings done in the spring.
- Tim shared that the new "welcome to CIDNA" signs have all been placed at this time.
- Rachel requested that any planned dates for activities in 2024 be sent to her before the January board meeting so that a "Year at a Glance" document could be presented and discussed at the January meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm**