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2 MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
3 MINUTES
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5 **Planning Committee Meeting of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board**

6
7 November 18, 2009
8 6:54 p.m. – 2117 West River Road
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10 Chair Fine called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

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12 **ROLL CALL**

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14 Present: Commissioners Walt Dziedzic, Annie Young, Tracy Nordstrom, Mary Merrill Anderson,
15 and Chair Bob Fine – 5. Absent: None - 0.
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17 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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19 Commissioner Nordstrom moved -

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21 THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.

22 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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24 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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26 Commissioner Nordstrom moved -

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28 THAT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 7, 2009 PLANNING COMMITTEE BE
29 APPROVED.

30 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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32 **ACTION ITEMS**

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34 Commissioner Dziedzic moved -

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36 4.1 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS BY FRIENDS OF
37 CHUTE PARK TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS AT CHUTE SQUARE
38 PARK.
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40 Chair Fine called upon Emily Ero-Phillips, River District Planner to report on item 4.1. Ms. Ero-
41 Phillips then responded to comments by the Committee
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43 Chair Fine asked if there were any members of the audience who wished to speak.
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45 MURIEL BOCHNAK, 26xx St Anthony Boulevard, chair of the Ard Godfrey project at the
46 Woman's Club of Minneapolis spoke in support of the proposal except for a change in fencing.
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1 Jim Stolpestad 45 University Ave SE, wanted to reassure Ms. Bochnak that there was no intention to
2 remove the fence as seen referenced in the original brochure and encouraged the Board to support
3 the proposal.

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5 Chair Fine called the question on the motion –

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7 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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9 Commissioner Nordstrom moved -

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11 4.2 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A
12 COMMEMORATIVE BACKSTOP AND PLAQUE AT JACKSON SQUARE
13 PARK IN MEMORY OF LOUIS ROBER.

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15 Chair Fine called upon Emily Ero-Phillips, River District Planner to report on item 4.2.

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17 Chair Fine asked if Kevin Reich, wished to comment. Mr. Reich added comments about Jackson
18 Square Park and activities occurring at that location.

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20 Following comment by the Committee, Chair Fine called the question on the motion -

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22 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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24 Vice President Merrill Anderson moved –

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26 4.3 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A LUXTON PARK
27 GYMNASIUM COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE IN MEMORY OF DOROTHY
28 ELIZABETH WHITTAKER.

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30 Chair Fine called upon Emily Ero-Phillips, River District Planner to report on item 4.3.

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32 Chair Fine asked if someone from the family wished to speak. Duane, Son of Ms. Whittaker
33 addressed the Committee acknowledging strong female community leaders during his
34 upbringing.

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36 Chair Fine called the question on the motion -

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38 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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40 Vice President Merrill Anderson moved –

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42 4.4 THAT THE BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2009-172, CAPTIONED AS
43 FOLLOWS:

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45 RESOLUTION NO. 2009-172

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47 DECLARING CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND OWNED BY THE
48 MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD (MPRB) AS LISTED IN
49 EXHIBIT-A ARE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PARK AND RECREATION

1 PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING AN EXCHANGE FOR CERTAIN
2 PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD
3 (MPS) AS LISTED IN EXHIBIT-B. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD
4 AUTHORIZES STAFF TO EXECUTE APPROPRIATE LEGAL DOCUMENTS
5 FOR THE TRANSFER OF SAID PROPERTIES TO THE MINNEAPOLIS
6 PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD.
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8 Chair Fine called on Judd Rietkerk, Director of Planning to report on item 4.4 and
9 present/describe each of the properties. Following the presentation Mr. Rietkerk responded to
10 questions and comments by the Committee.
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12 Chair Fine called the question on the motion -
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14 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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16 **STUDY/REPORT ITEMS** 17

18 There were no "Study/Report items" to be heard.
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20 **ADJOURNMENT** 21

22 The time being 7:39 p.m., Vice President Merrill Anderson moved -
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24 **THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.**

25 **Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote.**

26 **Planning Committee Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.**