City Considers Legalizing Mother-in-law Apartments

The City of Minneapolis is undertaking a review of ADUs, accessory dwelling units, otherwise called mother-in-law apartments, with the aim of making these types of units legal in the City. Town hall type open house meetings are being held in all four quadrants of the City. The Northeast meeting was held August 27, 2014 at Eastside Neighborhood Services. CPED, Community Planning and Economic Development, personnel were on hand to explain the concept of ADUs and to ask for citizen input. There is a survey available for comment at: http://minneapolismn.gov/cped/projects/WCMS1P-126877.

Here are the basic facts gleaned from the meeting: 1) the ADUs cannot be larger than the primary unit, 2) the primary and ADU would have to be owned by one property owner, 3) the ADU could be detached from or attached to the primary unit, 4) the ADU could be one or two stories, 5) garages or carriage houses could be converted into an ADU, 6) minimum square footage is 200 sq. ft. 7) It is anticipated that the primary unit will be homesteaded, 8) one aim is to allow multi-generational families to co-habit on a single lot, 9) rental licensing and regulation of ADUs will bring existing undocumented units into code compliance.

Here are some unanswered questions:
1) what is the number of off street parking spaces required for ADUs? (Currently one off street space is required per dwelling unit.), 2) what access is necessary for fire suppression in adjoined ADUs? Detached ADUs? 3) Should utility billing for ADUs be separate from the primary unit? 4) Should there be an ADU height requirement? 5) What should be the maximum ADU square footage? 6) Should there be a minimum number of bedrooms? 7) Should there be a limit to how many people can reside in an ADU? (Currently, there is no limit on the number of relatives who may live together in a legal domicile.), 8) Will rental licensing and regulation be different for relatives renting from one another as compared to non-relatives? Citizens are encouraged to take the survey on line, ask questions, and give input on the formation of this new type of rental housing being considered by the City of Minneapolis.

Agenda Sept 17 7pm
• Central Avenue Closure Update
• Community Center Updates
• Community Visions
• Logan Ledger Puzzler Winners
• Crime Report
• Brewery Report
• Your Ideas

Meeting is at 690 13th Ave NE Logan Park Community Center

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Funds Available for Northeast Residents Affected by Flooding
Northeasters struggling with flood damage may be eligible for state loans up to $70,000.00. Funds for capital improvements that return a home to pre-flooding or comparable condition are available by way of application through the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE). Additional information is available from the CEE by calling (612) 335-5851.

Active Aging Week at Logan Park
Logan Park will host several different classes as part of the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation’s Active Aging Week. Course offerings include: gardening, tai chi, protein/diet support, and balance/skill building. More information about Active Aging week activities can be found at minneapolis.parks.org or by calling Logan Park at (612) 370-4927.

Update on the 807 Broadway Development
The sale of the 807 Broadway property closed Monday September 8th. Minneapolis Public Schools and Hillcrest Development are very close to a final agreement. Part of the deal’s delay has been due to a right-of-way issue on Quincy Street. Minneapolis Public Works will provide their recommendation on the right-of-way issue to the city’s Planning Commission on September 15th. If approved, the Zoning and Planning Committee would then consider the situation before the City Council would approve or deny plan in October.

40 Years of Service - Support Eastside Meals on Wheels
Northeast residents will help celebrate the 40th anniversary of Eastside Meals on Wheels at two upcoming events. On Sunday, September 14th, all are welcome at Eastside MOW’s anniversary party, which will include door prize drawings, ice cream, and fun for all. Throughout the day the following Thursday, September 18th, Northeasters can dine out at a number of local restaurants and bars and a generous portion of the receipts will support elders in our community and Eastside MOW’s work.
For more information on the organization and the aforementioned events, please visit eastsidemeals.org or call (612) 277-2529.

Art Classes at Clay Squared to Infinity
The Fall schedule for Clay Squared to Infinity classes is now online at www.claysquared.com/index.php/events. Aside from the great array of polymer clay classes, Clay Squared also boasts a large showroom with contemporary and historical tile art from many different time periods and places.

Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) Tests Released for Minneapolis Public Schools
The most recent results from our school-system’s standardized educational tests – known as the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) – were released this summer and the superintendent of the Minneapolis Public Schools was pleased about what she saw.
Positive trends for almost all student sub-groups in reading, math and science were noted by Superintendent Johnson, and she specifically recognized the district’s gains in both reading and math for grades five and eight – these results significantly outpaced those statewide. Johnson stated that districtwide math and science results increased one percent overall, while reading results remained steady.
Johnson did note the importance of replicating successful school-specific educational practices across the district. However, she did not discuss in this press release any additional specifics about the district’s plan to address the growing achievement gap between students of color, and those from difficult socio-economic backgrounds. Past MCA reports have shown that students attending Edison, Sheridan, and Pillsbury schools – schools most associated with Logan Park residents – are among the district’s most challenged.
For more information on Superintendent Johnson’s strategic plan moving forward, please visit www.mpls.k12.mn.us/strategic_plan.

Learn More about our Flour City’s History
The Mill City Museum offers a number of different tours highlighting our city’s rich industrial history. There’s a tour of historic Main Street on Saturday, September, 13th. On Sunday the 14th, there’s a tour of the riverfront district.
For more information about the Mill City Museum and these events, visit www.millcitymuseum.org or call (612)341-7555.

Opening on Logan Board for Secretary
Logan Park Board has an opening for a volunteer secretary. Duties would include taking notes at two meetings per month and typing up and distributing to members. Community meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month. If you are interested please come by the meeting on the 17th.

Logan Loans
Logan Park homeowners are eligible for three types of loans: Forgivable, Low-interest and Emergency Repair. The forgivable loan is a no interest loan. If you live in your home for 10 years, after the loan is granted, you won’t have to pay it back. The forgivable and low-interest loans have no income limits. The low interest loan is set at 4%. Interest income accrued from these loans becomes Logan Park Neighborhood funds for neighborhood projects. The emergency loan is for low income homeowners who need to make a repair right away to keep their home habitable. Fixes vary but must be an emergency. Call the Center for Energy or Environment at 612-335-5858 or visit www.mncee.org and type in LOGAN PARK in the search bar.
Congratulations Volleyball Team!

The Logan Storm 14U RBI softball team has been selected as the Sportsmanship Award winner for the 2014 RBI softball season. The team was selected because they exhibited good sportsmanship throughout the season on and off the field. The team was respectful to coaches, opponents, umpires, fans, and league/park directors before, during and after games. The team has shown dedication to the sport and worked hard to improve throughout the season. Congratulations to Coach Carmen and the team.

Football Sign Up
Logan is currently taking registrations for 12U football (ages 9-1-02 – 9-1-04) Football practices are Monday, Wednesday and Fridays 5:30-8pm Games are Wednesdays & Saturdays starting September 13th. Cost is $50

Volleyball Sign Up
Logan is also taking registrations for the 15U volleyball team (ages 9-1-99-9-1-01) Games Monday/Tuesdays & Saturdays November 1-December 13th. Cost is $30

Tiny Tots
Tiny Tots is back! Starting Friday October 3rd Monday & Fridays from 10-noon. Does your little one have energy to burn this fall? Then you need our "indoor playground" complete with balls, toys and mats. When they are tired from running the quiet room will be open for quiet activities. Snack & coffee is included. This is a great way to get to know other families in the neighborhood and meet new friends. Adult must accompany child. Cost is per family and is $3 per day you attend. You can also purchase a punch card for $20 for 8 visits. No Tiny Tots Nov 28.

Halloween Party
October 31st will be a special Halloween Party. Come dressed ready to party!

Tai Chi & Qigong
Beginning Tai Chi and Qigong Session 1 Activity #42311 For centuries, the Chinese have recognized the beneficial effects of Tai Chi to reduce stress and improve health, balance, and flexibility. Join Certified Instructor Marie Mathay in this gentle, slow-moving series of ancient Tai Chi exercises designed to enhance physical and mental well-being. Great for beginners, this class introduces basic Tai Chi and Qigong principles and movements, activates internal energy, and promotes the calming harmony of body, mind, and breath. All ages and abilities welcome. Sept 16-Oct 28 6:30-7:30 $50

EVENT CALENDAR

September 18: Breakfast Jubilee at Jax Café benefiting the Neighborhood Healthsource Sheridan and Central Avenue Clinics. 7:30—9:00 AM

September 18: Mission Nutrition benefiting Eastside Meals on Wheels. Dine at any of the following restaurants and a percentage of their profits will be donated to MOW. The Anchor Fish & Chips, The Bulldog Northeast, Elsie’s, Elements Wood Fire Pizza, Punch Pizza, Ray J’s, The Moose on Monroe, JAX, Emily’s Lebanese Deli, Chipolte, Red Stag, Kramarczus, Mattie’s on Main, Stanley’s Bar and Grill, Marino’s Deli.

September 19: Fall Fine Arts Show at the Solar Arts Building 6-9 PM opening event.

September 20: Spaghetti Dinner Grace Lutheran Church and Community Center at 1500 6th St NE 5:00 to 7:00 PM Help keep the food pantry open.

September 24: Get Acquainted Breakfast at Solar Arts Building 711 15th Ave NE 3rd Floor. Sponsored by Northeast Chamber of Commerce.

September 25: Lowry Ave Re-Design ESNS 1900 2nd St NE 7:00-8:30 PM Open house. Sponsored by Hennepin County Planning Department.

September 27: Taste of Northeast St. Mary’s Orthodox Cathedral 1701 5th St NE 11AM to 8 PM. Food, music, art, games, fun galore. See the icons.

October 11: Hullabaloo at Indeed Brewery 15th Ave NE and Quincy St NE. Afternoon to evening. Music and Brew.

October 18: Nordeast Brew Fest ESNS 1700 2nd St. NE 1:00 - 4:00 PM Help prevent child abuse. Northeast Exchange Club event.
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Puzzler
1) Unscramble each of the clue words below.

2) Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number.

3) Winners will be entered into a drawing for a gift card to Ideal Diner.

4) Winners will be announced at the September 17th Community Meeting at Logan Park.

5) Submit entry by 7 PM September 17th to Logan Park.

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