The February LPNA Meeting will be a Town Hall Discussion reviewing the Small Area Plan Progress. (Note the different location):

**Town Hall Discussion  February 17th 6:30pm**
Able Seedhouse + Brewery (1121 Quincy St)

Childcare will be available at Logan Park (690 13th Ave)

LPNA started working on a Small Area Plan last fall. We are half way through the process – and now we’re getting to the good stuff!

Please come to this Town Hall meeting to give your input. If you are unable to attend the meeting and want to share your thoughts, please email loganparkna@aol.com. Check our website for more information, loganparkneighborhood.org.

**What exactly is a Small Area Plan?**

- It’s part “Wish List” of what the neighborhood could look like in the near and far future.

- But it’s also a very concrete set of directions that the city has to acknowledge in considering any possible development.

This process gives the community a chance to have a voice in how the neighborhood evolves over the next 20 years.

Example of Courtyard Cottages, a possible future housing option.
*Like? Don’t Like? Let us know on Feb. 17th*
What’s happened so far?

1. After interviewing several consultants, LPNA hired The Cunningham Group to help us develop our plan.

2. A Steering Committee was formed. This Committee includes long-term residents, short-term residents and business owners. This Committee meets monthly.

3. The first Town Hall meeting was held in November. Everyone who lives, owns or works in Logan Park Neighborhood was invited.

4. In December, we invited all Logan Park business owners and local Service Providers to Focus Group meetings to discuss specific issues and ideas.

During these meetings, participants were asked to use dots to identify strengths, weaknesses and priorities in the neighborhood:

Where would YOU put your dots???

A major part of this process is to plan ahead. What does the future hold for our neighborhood as the city grows and changes?

- What will be our challenges?
- What do we want to preserve?
- What do we want to improve?
At the last meeting, we started discussing the Vision Statement. Here’s the current draft.

**Draft Vision Statement**
The Logan Park neighborhood is…

*A balanced and dynamic mix of living and working spaces*
Logan Park maintains a healthy mix of buildings, residents, businesses, and public spaces. People are drawn to the neighborhood for its close-knit and intimate feel; for the range of quality, affordable housing options; for its historic character; and for the access to unique amenities and spaces that support creative production, entrepreneurship, and local business development.

*A resilient and adaptive neighborhood*
Logan Park is a neighborhood that is able to weather social, economic, and environmental changes while still retaining its essential character and identity. The neighborhood embraces adaptive strategies and incremental changes focused on the fundamentals of good community and neighborhood development.

*A center for creative activity, creative spaces, and creative solutions*
As the heart of the Northeast Arts District, Logan Park is a unique destination for creative spaces and programming and a model for local arts planning and preservation. The neighborhood embraces and expresses creative expression and creative problem-solving through its vibrant public spaces, engaged institutions, and innovative businesses and working spaces.

**What’s Next?**

- Exploring options and considering alternatives

The February 17th Town Hall Discussion will give folks a chance to review, evaluate and add their thoughts to the progress so far.

The Steering Committee will then meet to review the comments from the discussion, consider possible strategies to achieve collective goals and continue to refine the plan. A final version will be presented to the community on March 30th.
Here’s a sampling of the topics that have come up so far:

- **Arts District** – What happens when the artists move their studios? Is that inevitable?
- **Parking** – it’s a problem. What’s the solution? Will it still be problem in 20 years?
- **Bike Paths, bike lanes & bike safety**
- **Affordable housing** – How do we stay that way?
- **Density** – The city wants it. How do we adapt?

Some suggested ideas to make the park better:

- Improved pathways
- Better lighting
- Quiet areas
- Amenities for seniors too
- Public art

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**Mark your Calendars**

The final Town Hall Meeting & Celebration will be on:

**March 30th at the Solar Arts Building (3rd floor)**

(711 NE 15 Street)

The final version of the plan will be presented to the neighborhood.

The last step of the process will be the presentation to the Minneapolis City Council for approval. And the Plan becomes Reality.

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*Make artwork of our railroad bridge underpasses?*

*Like?*

*Don’t Like?*

*Let us know on Feb. 17th*