



— LOGAN LEDGER —

July 2020 Special Double Issue

LPNA General Meeting July 15th 2020 7pm

The Zoom link can be found our website, loganparkneighborhood.org

Agenda: Discussion of Call to Action and Next Steps

Scheduled Vote regarding Support of Reclaim the Block's Pledge for elected officials

LPNA support requested for Reclaim the Block pledge for City Council

At the June General Meeting, a Logan Park resident asked that the Logan Park community support the efforts of Reclaim the Block regarding the 4 items listed below. Reclaim the Block is a local Advocacy Organization begun in 2018 that organizes around policies that strengthen community-led safety initiatives. Reclaim the Block asks that the Minneapolis City Council commit to:

1. Never again vote to increase police funding or increase the police department's budget
2. Propose and vote for a \$45 million cut from the MPD's budget as the City responds to projected Covid-19 shortfalls.
3. Protect and expand current investment in community-led health and safety strategies, instead of investing in police.
4. Do everything in their power to compel MPD and all law enforcement agencies to immediately cease enacting violence on community members.

For more Information about Reclaim the Block, go to reclaimtheblock.org

At the June General Meeting, a motion was made to support this request. The motion to vote was tabled to the July General Meeting to allow more time for residents to consider this request.

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE as of JUNE 26:

On June 26th, the City Council unanimously voted to support a proposal to for a new Department of Community Safety and Violence Prevention. Council members also approved a November ballot measure to ask voters to change the City Charter to allow for the creation of the new Department and remove the Police Department as a charter department. The Mayor would need to approve this ballot measure by August 21st. For more details and contact information, go to minneapolismn.gov/minneapolisforward/WCMSP-224910

Excerpt from 6/26/20 letter from Councilmember Kevin Reich regarding City Council Action:

"I would like to make it very clear that today's vote did not circumvent the thoroughgoing engagement process affirmed in our June 12 joint resolution declaring the intent to create a transformative new model for cultivating safety in our city. The work of talking to each other, listening to each other, and centering marginalized voices must still go on over the next several months. I am committed to being part of that citywide process as well as the Ward One conversations I'll be hosting, the community-led conversations that I'll be joining and through one-on-one discussions."

FROM THE LPNA BOARD:

One June 5th, the **LPNA Board issued a Call to Action in response to the murder of George Floyd**. As a measure of full transparency, the LPNA Board sent this statement to the email list, posted on our website, social media and also printed below.

The Board acknowledges issuing a Call to Action of this nature is a departure for LPNA. The LPNA Board, like many organizations, felt strongly the importance to express the need for our elected officials to take immediate & meaningful action. As advocates and representatives of the community, we worked to respond swiftly— it felt wrong to be silent.

To offer Direct Support, LPNA has made the two donations listed below. The source of the funds for these donations come from LPNA fundraising efforts like the annual Indeed We Can fundraiser.

In all of our actions, Neighborhood Board members recognize we have a greater responsibility to consider those neighbors whose perspectives are not being heard through traditional civic participation.

LPNA'S Call to Action + Direct Support

The Logan Park Neighborhood Association (LPNA) supports the need for change that protesters, starting with our Black neighbors, are tirelessly working toward. Police brutality and the murder of George Floyd have no place in any community, we recognize a systemic problem that exists in specific communities and will work with and support our neighbors toward change. We stand in solidarity with those working for justice and healing in Minneapolis and beyond.

We request our council member and representatives pursue these concrete short terms steps:

- Join the chorus of community members and organizations who are calling on Bob Kroll to resign.
- Support Indeed Brewing and other local businesses who are requesting changes to the event permitting process – which currently requires they hire off duty officers
- Show of support for the Minneapolis school board and Park Board who voted to end their relationship with the MPD
- Enact the “**8 can’t wait**” policies from the **Campaign Zero** framework.
- Support the call for new community-based services for public safety and outreach

We have heard Black organizers ask for direct donations and direct support.

The LPNA believes the trial might call on Darnella Frazier, the young woman that videotaped the killing of George Floyd and whose testimony and videotaped evidence will play a role in the trial of Mr. Floyd. Ms. Frazier’s efforts exposed a crime of humanity and a system that has permitted racial bias to perpetuate, we offer this support to Ms. Frazier as an involved member of her community and a show of support for the emotional trauma she may encounter. This is a self-determining fund that directly supports Darnella and her family. LPNA contribution: \$1000

The LPNA also recognizes the need to support organizations that promote justice for all community members and specifically marginalized ones that encounter individuals hired to protect and serve without brutality or life threatening actions. We encourage and challenge every neighborhood group and resident of our city to align themselves with issues facing our city that have become systemic and no longer tenable as they currently exist. LPNA contribution to Black Visions Collective: \$1000

These are merely first steps in pursuit of justice, change and policy. We recognize that anti-racism requires continuous action. LPNA should be a source of advocacy and community, and we recognize now is the time to act, invest and commit to action. LPNA is examining our role in deeply entrenched racism, and we commit ourselves to improving how we serve our community. We must work together to dismantle the systems that have allowed this violence and injustice to occur, and we join the voices calling for equity and justice in Minnesota.

-The Logan Park Neighborhood Association Board

The LPNA Call to Action referenced “8 Can’t Wait Project” and Campaign Zero .

What is “8 Can’t Wait”?

This is campaign to bring immediate action to police departments by adopting the following 8 policies:

1. Ban Chokeholds and Strangleholds
2. Require De-escalation
3. Require Warning Before Shooting
4. Exhaust All Alternatives Before Shooting
5. Duty to Intervene
6. Ban Shooting at Moving Vehicles
7. Require Use of Force Continuum
8. Require Comprehensive Reporting

For more details on these 8 measures, go to 8cantwait.org

What is Campaign Zero?

Campaign Zero is a national organization that analyzes policing practices and researches effective solutions to end police violence. Campaign Zero calls on lawmakers to adopt data-driven policies to end police violence and hold police accountable.

For more information, go to joincampaignzero.org.

NEXT STEPS?

LPNA, other neighborhood & community organizations, elected officials, city staff, the police department, residents and businesses will have to collectively work together to see that real, positive change occurs—not just in policing but all the many factors that brought us all to where we are now.

White people need to admit how and where racism is embedded in our society. We have to be willing to discover the racism inside us and develop the emotional capacity to be uncomfortable. We need to address the underlying issues that have created the inequities & disparities for the BIPOC community.

LPNA does not have a concrete plan on how to do these things. Frankly, we don’t have adequate funding or the organization capacity to take on these big issues alone. We hope to work with other neighborhoods and organizations to be a conduit for discussion groups, anti-racism trainings. & advocacy work. Please email or call if you have suggestions, would like to help plan activities, receive updates on these future Next Steps and most importantly, if you would like to participate in this work.

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District 1 Park Commissioner Chris Meyer	612-230-6443	cmeyer@minneapolisparcs.org
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New LPNA Board

At the Annual Board Meeting on May 20th, we elected a new Board of Directors. Thank you to the three new board members and the six returning board members. We have space for two more board members. Please email or call if you are interested in learning about the duties of Board Membership.

Thank you to Mayor Frey, Councilmember Reich and State Representative Jordan for attending the LPNA Annual Meeting!

We also thank State Senator Dziedzic, Representative Jordan and Councilmember Reich for participating in our June General meeting to keep us informed of the actions and deliberations seeking to make positive change in response to recent events.

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Resolution

On June 17th, MPRB passed a resolution to allow people experiencing homelessness to camp in all Minneapolis Parks. **Resolution 2020-253** acknowledges this is not a permanent solution and called on the City, County & State to find a sustainable, dignified housing solution. More details on this Resolution can be found on the MPRB website, www.minneapolisparcs.org.

Logan Park Priorities Updates

- The Pavilion project has been delayed until 2021, due to complications from the Covid-19 crisis.
- We are working with the Tool Library to develop a series of classes next year, dependent upon social distancing guidelines.
- We also have started our Air Quality monitor program, with one monitor up and running. You can view Logan Park air quality at purpleair.com.

Summer Produce Third Saturdays at Little Kitchen Food Shelf

Little Kitchen Food Shelf is excited to announce monthly summer produce distributions on the third Saturdays of June through September.

Free and open to the community, all are welcome! Households do not need to pre-register; distributions will take place from 12-1:30pm at Grace Center for Community Life at 1500 6th St NE .

For more information about third Saturday produce distributions or for guidelines about donating fresh produce to Little Kitchen Food Shelf, please call 612-788-2444.



NO CLEAN SWEEP IN 2020

Due to COVID-19 concerns and budget constraints, there will not be a Clean Sweep event in 2020. (Note: LPNA pays the City for the garbage trucks and drivers for the Clean Sweep event.)

***You can place 2 large items per week
with regular garbage at no extra charge.
Attached a note saying "For Solid Waste".***

Please email LPNA if you would like to see this event return in 2021. Also please let us know if you would like to volunteer for this event and a possible Fall litter pickup event.

Hennepin County Drop-off Facilities

The Hennepin County Drop-off Facilities in Bloomington and Brooklyn Park are open for the public to dispose of hazardous waste, problem materials, and recycling.

The drop-off facilities are operating with new hours. The facilities are open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The facilities are closed on Sundays and Mondays.

There have been some changes to the materials accepted. Residents should check guidelines at hennepin.us/dropoffs for updates and materials accepted, and can find specific disposal information for common household materials in the Green Disposal Guide.

Payment, if applicable, is being taken with credit card only (Visa, Discover, Mastercard). For safety, they are temporarily not accepting cash or checks.

Eastside Food Co-op is Looking for New Board Members

The Co-op has three board positions open. Each position is a three-year term. The deadline to apply is July 14th at midnight. There will be a special Q&A for potential candidates on July 13th from 5:30 to 6pm. More information and the application is on the website: www.eastsidefood.coop/board.

THE VOTING LOCATION HAS CHANGED FOR LOGAN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS. THE NEW VOTING LOCATION IS EDISON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

For many years, the Ward 1– Precinct 8 Election Day polling place has been Holland Highrise. For the Primary and General Election days in 2020, the polling place is Edison High School Gym, 2030 Monroe St.

The Primary Election date is August 11th. The General Election date is November 3rd. You may vote early for the Primary Election by mail or in person June 26th through August 11th.

Early Voting locations are:

980 East Hennepin Avenue. Hours Mon-Fri 8am to 4:30pm. Weekend early voting hours 8/1 & 8/8.

Phone 612-673-5553 or 311

Hennepin County Government Center, 300 S. 6th Street Hours Mon-Fri 8am to 4:30pm.

The application for Absentee Voting is available through the MN Secretary of State online or by request. <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote/vote-early-by-mail/>
Secretary of State Elections phone number is 651-215-1440.

Logan Park Home Improvement Loans, Emergency Loans, and Home Energy Audits

The Logan Park Neighborhood Association has made Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) funds available to provide low interest and emergency loans to homeowners in the Logan Park neighborhood.

The Home Energy Squad is offering virtual consultations to help you save money and energy. Please call 612-335-5884 or visit www.mncee.org for complete details.

I-35W North Gateway

The Minnesota Department is studying I-35W between Minneapolis and Roseville to identify possible future users, bicyclists, motorists want to hear from you! Explore this online about each transportation we got it right.

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Travel this stretch of 35W?



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Online Meeting

ment of Transportation between downtown Minneapolis to develop a vision and improvements for walk- and transit riders. They

meeting to learn more about the transportation issue and tell us if

waystudy.com

City of Minneapolis seeks development funding proposals for two housing programs

The City of Minneapolis is seeking development funding proposals for the following housing programs:

- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Emergency Shelter Program – The ESG program funds may be used to renovate, rehabilitate, and convert buildings for use as emergency shelters for people who are homeless.
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Essential Services – The ESG program funds may be used to deliver essential case management service to single adult emergency shelter users.

Proposals for both programs are due no later than 4:00 p.m. CDT, on Friday, July 31, 2020

For questions or more information on how to apply, contact Tiffany Glasper at 612-673-5221 or tiffany.glasper@minneapolismn.gov

Fun on the Run In Minneapolis Parks

On Monday June 15, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board's (MPRB) launched Fun on the Run, bringing outdoor recreational games, sports, and other activities for youth to 12 neighborhood parks throughout the city, on a rotating schedule.

All youth and teens are welcome to come by between 1 pm and 4 pm for fun and games at a safe – and social! – distance. All activities are FREE (no registration is necessary).



MPRB staff sanitize equipment after each use and help ensure participants follow social distancing guidelines.

Mondays - Thursdays

June 15 to August 31

1 pm to 4 pm

12 neighborhood parks throughout the city including:

- Bottineau Park - Thursdays
- Logan Park - Mondays
- Windom NE Park - Wednesdays

INDEED WE CAN LPNA FUNDRAISER SEPT. 23 IS ON!!



Since May, Indeed Brewing refocused their Indeed We Can program to give net proceeds to a Covid-19 General Relief Fund to be distributed to organizations in the Twin Cities that are supporting people who are disproportionately affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

As of September, Indeed Brewing will return to the schedule of supporting community non-profits like Logan Park Neighborhood Association. Our fundraiser is scheduled for Sept. 23. There may be limited activities and capacity depending on public health guidelines at that time. We may not be able to have our traditional Bar Bingo event but we'll try to have something fun for everyone! Please email any suggestions. **Thank you to Indeed Brewing for being an amazing community partner!**

About Logan Park Neighborhood Association Fundraising

As a recognized neighborhood organization, LPNA receives an allocation from the city through the Community Participation Program (CPP). The guidelines for these funds does not allow certain types of expenditures. LPNA uses the money raised from our own fundraising efforts like the Indeed We Can event to pay for Lights of Logan, lunch at Maya for volunteers after Clean Sweeps and to support events and organizations like the Annual Edison BBQ, NE CDC, NEMAA and recently, the Black Visions Collective.

LPNA is a 501c3 Non-Profit organization. Donations to LPNA from individuals and businesses are tax-deductible. You can make donations via our website or by mail.

Community Participation Program Ending—New Equitable Engagement Structure Proposed

The Minneapolis Neighborhood & Community Relations Department (NCR), has proposed new guidelines and allocation structure for neighborhood organization funding from 2021 to 2023. Under this proposal, approved neighborhood organizations will receive a base amount of \$20,000 for operations. For comparison, LPNA has received \$30,976 for the last 3 years to cover operational expenses (newsletter, website, insurance, translation, staff time, meeting expenses). The base amount will be reduced to \$15,000 in 2022 and \$10,000 in 2023. Accordingly, LPNA will need to make some operational changes.

Under the proposal, neighborhood organizations, will have the option to apply for **Equitable Engagement Funds**. LPNA would need to develop and Engagement Plan that would be approved by NCR. Annual reporting to NCR on outcomes is required. The Engagement Plan will need to identify under-engaged residents, develop meaningful strategies to engage with residents who haven't been participating and how to measure outcomes. (For more specifics, see link below.)

The new structure also has a **Collaboration & Shared Resources Fund** available for Neighborhood Organizations that voluntarily wish to consolidate into one-multi neighborhood. There is also a **Partnership Engagement Fund** to encourage partnerships with Community-Based Organizations and Neighborhood Organizations.

The full proposal is available here www2.minneapolismn.gov/www/groups/public/@ncr/documents/webcontent/wcmssp-223035.pdf.

The Public Comment period for the Proposed Neighborhood Programs Guidelines ends on 7/15/20.

You can email comments to Neighborhoods2020@minneapolismn.gov. You can phone comments to 612-673-3737.

NOTE—This proposal was developed in 2019-2020. The city has experienced a decline in sales tax revenue due to Covid-19. Any and all proposed budget amounts are now subject to change.

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Please sign up for email Updates through our website. We will send you meeting notifications, community updates and LPNA news. Expect 2 to 4 emails per month.

Our website contains information on our Small Area Plan, Priorities Plan, Annual Report, Street Safety Committee and meeting minutes (once approved). You can also find information about the Energy Saving Program, the forgivable loan program and the Rain Garden Program.

We are currently hosting meetings through Zoom. Meetings can be attended via video or phone. The Zoom links can be found on the website. Call 612-516-5762 for information on how to call in to a meeting.

Upcoming LPNA Virtual Meetings:

- Thursday July 9th · LPNA Board Meeting · 6:30 pm
- Wednesday July 15th · LPNA General Meeting · 7pm
- Wednesday Aug 19th TENTATIVE LPNA Meeting 7pm
Pending July meeting and community discussion needs

Email admin@loganparkneighborhood.org for meeting link or find it on our website, loganparkneighborhood.org.

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A STORM
DRAIN**



**Don't forget to adopt your drain!
Logan Park has 8 drains adopted,
185 drains to go!**

Sign up at adopt-a-drain.org.