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By Jeanette Colby

If you care about the future of Minneapolis, you should care about the city's draft comprehensive plan called Minneapolis 2040. This plan touches every corner of the city — neighborhoods, lakes, parks, streets … your daily life. Many Hill & Lake Press readers would support most of the plan's lofty goals, but some action steps merit close attention.

"It is imperative that residents weigh in now while there is still time for changes to some of the most objectionable and questionable parts of this proposed plan that will affect the future of our city and neighborhood," says City Council Member Lisa Goodman. "Like many [Hill & Lake neighbors], I was taken aback by some of the ideas presented in the draft 2040 plan, some of which are completely inconsistent with current planning and zoning guidance and policy," she noted. "The best way to be heard on this issue is to make your opinions known to those working on the draft."

**Land use changes:**

**Development, Traffic, Transit**

In last month’s Hill & Lake Press, Michael Wilson provided an overview of the many changes proposed. Some of the most impactful changes relate to Land Use and Built Forms and will lead to an overhaul of existing zoning ordinances. Examples in the Hill and Lake neighborhoods include:

- allowing new construction of duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes on regular 40- or 50-foot lots anywhere in the city;
- allowing 10- to 30-story mixed-use buildings within the current Shoreland Overlay District in Cedar-Isles-Dean and West Calhoun;

Unfortunately, while the city's plan aspires to a significant expansion of public transit, the Met Council's regional plan does not. In fact, Metro Transit is facing a $100 million operating deficit in the next state legislative funding cycle. Minneapolis 2040's deliberate strategy to "disincentivate driving" fail to address the fact that many people who walk, bike or use transit still own cars.

In the draft Comp Plan, Franklin and Penn Avenues and 21st Street receive Corridor 4 designation as a "high frequency transit route" on a "narrower right of way" or "select streets with local transit service. The illustration (above) portrays the Corridor 4 description: "[b]uilding heights should be 1 to 4 stories. As the lot size increases in this district, allowable building bulk should also increase." Illustration: City of Minneapolis. Caption: Michael Wilson.)

A PDF version of the draft Comp Plan can be accessed by clicking in the upper-right corner of the <Minneapolis2040.com> homepage. The PDF version doesn't accept comments, though. Make comments via the online version or by email at <2040@minneapolismn.gov>. (Graphic and caption: Michael Wilson.)

Minneapolis pushes for greater housing density, more neighbor-hoods push back, MinnPost, 11/18/16. Planners acknowledge that the 2040 Comprehensive Plan promotes density of housing options, not affordable housing.

A draft plan open to changes.

Many Hill and Lake neighbors have participated in "community engagement processes" and come away feeling that their time wasn't well spent. But Council Member Goodman says, "I have been assured by planning department staff that the current comprehensive plan is truly a draft and that changes will be made after the public comment period. Although every comment will not result in a change, a pattern of comments on similar issues will rise to the top and I am hopeful they will be addressed by staff prior to the final draft coming.

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Photo by Rod Johnson of Midwest Mountaineering: David Rhude at Desolation Canyon on the Green River, Utah.
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Come see what takes place when a pet is found or dropped off. Please be on site by 11:45 am. 212 17th Ave N. Tour will begin at noon. MUST RSVP TO RUTH at 673-2207 for this tour.

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**Happenings in the Neighborhood**

- **Neighborhood monthly meetings**
  - CIDNA: 2nd Wednesday 6pm Jones-Harrison  
  - EIRA: 2nd Tuesday 7pm Grace Community Church  
  - KIAA: July 9, 7pm Lake of the Isles Lutheran. No meeting in August.  
  - LHNA: 1st Tuesday 7pm Kenwood Rec Center

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- **Park Siding Park Gardening**  
  **Saturday, July 21**  
  **9:00-11:00 a.m.**
  Join CIDNA's volunteer gardening team. No gardening experience necessary. Tools will be provided. Help is needed all season, so mark your calendar for the following Saturday mornings: August 18 and September 15. Details at www.cidna.org

- **Park Siding Park, 3113 W. 28th St.**
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- **You are invited to volunteer in Thomas Lowry Park from 10am to 12 noon.**  
  **July 14, Aug.11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13**
  Friends of Thomas Lowry Park supply gloves, small tools, and treats.

- **Friends of the Walker Library Jewelry Sale**
  **Saturday, August 4**
  During the Uptown Art Fair. Everything welcome, even pieces needing minor repairs. Leave your donations at the Information Desk now. Proceeds provide special programs at the Walker. Seated, Left to right: Mary Sabatke, Maryann Weidt, Jeannie Scheiderer, Marcia Marshall, Betsy Thomas, and Bonnie Bond. Holding the poster: Jim Otto.

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Meet your Neighbor, Shawn Smith

Craig Wilson and Michael Wilson interview Shawn Smith about chairing KIAA, the controversial Minneapolis 2040 plan and just finishing Grandma's Marathon in Duluth.

Where did you grow up? I'm originally from Rhode Island, and I graduated from Syracuse University in 1988.

What brought you to the Twin Cities? I first moved to the Twin Cities in 2001 and worked as a leader in Merchandising and Global Sourcing at Target. I left a few years ago to start a consulting agency, and my core work is business development with global manufacturers doing business with Target.

Why the Hill Lake area? I moved to Kenwood from St Louis Park in 2006 with my wife Lori, after we got married. We wanted to live near the Chain of Lakes and looked at various neighborhoods within walking distance. We picked Kenwood because we found the right house focus and found the fact that it was tucked away in a quiet neighborhood between Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles.

What are your hobbies and interests? My interests are travel, both US and Internationally, cooking, gardening, and camping up north.

What led you to get involved with the Kenwood Isles Area Association (KIAA)? I started to attend KIAA meetings a couple of years after moving into the neighborhood because I started to hear a lot about Southwest Light Rail. I was interested in hearing about issues affecting the neighborhood and helping out. A few years later, since I was already attending most of the monthly meetings, I decided to run for Secretary in 2012. I was elected chair in 2017 and just re-elected for this year.

How do you enjoy chairing KIAA? I really enjoy KIAA and the Chair role; the thing that is great about our board is that we are non-partisan. We get to do some really great things for the Kenwood without having to worry about party politics. Being Chair has enabled me to meet and work with some great people with one goal in common: making Kenwood the best it can be.

You did a sterling job as moderator of the four-neighborhood Minneapolis 2040 Comprehensive Plan information session on June 6. What did you do to prepare? How do you feel the session went? Thank you! I had a great team to help plan and orchestrate it. I think the meeting went well; we intentionally structured it one half written questions and one half open microphone. That way, we ensured we covered a diversity of topics, but also gave the attendees time to directly address questions to the Director of Long Range Planning. To prepare, I set aside any of my personal feelings about the plan. The meeting wasn’t about my opinions; it was about providing our constituents a forum to get more information about Minneapolis 2040 so they could provide informed feedback.

How do you personally view the Comp Plan? Like any plan, there are positives and negatives to it. My concern is not necessarily about the content, if it is implemented thoughtfully. We are already seeing market forces bring multiplexes and development where that development is a wanted commodity, such as what you see in Uptown. And it’s focused, not random. My concern is that the plan, if approved, will allow for random big development in established neighborhoods, without concern for homeowners. People buy a home based on their personal criteria. They enter homeownership knowing it is their single property owners are nervous and frustrated. Of course, I own admission, are not economists and did not engage any in the drafting of the plan, so they can’t speak to the impact on property values. It’s why many property owners are nervous and frustrated.

You’ve been active with the Hill and Lake people working to get Southwest LRT off the ballot. What are your thoughts on the project? What are its prospects? The neighborhood is really mixed on this and I want to respect opinions on both sides of the issue. That said, if I was in charge of regional planning and had to spend $2B, it would not be on a single 4.5-mile light rail line. We could fix dozens of issues like school budgets, repairing infrastructure, and the homeless situation with that money and have enough left over to give tax relief. And in Kenwood, we are sacrificing so much. The Kenilworth Corridor is a significant natural resource and urban forest, which will be altered forever. It’s one of the few places in the city where you can still get an “up north” experience.

You’re a Republican in a heavily DFL part of town. Has that led to good conversations with your Hill and Lake neighbors? I was wondering if you’d ask me that. My life path has brought me to a place where I am a conservative. In KIAA, I was re-elected chair because people see that I care about Kenwood and I want to be engaged. Everything is so political now; I mostly keep my views to myself. Actually, I think I have a lot in common with many neighbors regardless of party: wanting a strong safe neighborhood, keeping property taxes in check and spent wisely, protecting our lakes, and having a city government that actually listens to all points of view, not just the ones they want to hear.

What would you like Kenwood to be ten years from now? I’d like it to be a place that keeps its spirit of everyone in the neighborhood caring about everyone in the neighborhood. What makes Kenwood work today is that neighbors know each other, and people live their lives in consideration of their impact on others. I hope it stays like that. And quiet. I hope it keeps its serenity and quiet.

You completed Grandma’s Marathon on June 16! How did it go? Will you be doing the Twin Cities Marathon (TCM) this fall? I was a little slower than I wanted to be but still happy to finish in less than 4.5 hours. It was a great event and a fun after party. I will not be doing Twin Cities this fall, at 51 I only have one marathon in me each year. I’ve run Twin Cities four times, which is why I signed up to run my first Grandma’s this year. But I’ll stay involved with TCM by supporting them with my time and resources.

Shawn and Lori Smith and Baci

Minneapolis Is Not for Sale

A guest column by Carol Becker, President Minneapolis Board of Estimate and Taxation

The City of Minneapolis has released a draft of its long-range plan, the 2040 Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan. It lays out how the city will develop over the next 20 years. It includes a wide range of policies, but the most important ones are those that lay out how physical space will change and how transportation will happen.

The proposed plan is a radical departure from previous comprehensive plans: The City has proposed up-zoning the whole city. This would make it possible to bulldoze any single-family house and replace it with a fourplex. It has also proposed allowing 15-to-20-story towers in most parts of the city. Uptown and around the lakes would become Manhattan, with tower over tower crammed in. None of this housing would be required to have parking.

The plan would trump small area plans created by neighborhoods.

All of these changes are aimed at reducing requirements for developers. This is part of a national pro-developer agenda called “YIMBY.” Developers want fewer regulations so they can build whatever they want, wherever they want, to make the most profit—without regard to the community or its needs.

Plan advocates argue that if we build enough market-rate housing, somehow poor people will be better off. The reality is that new construction costs are too high to create new affordable housing without government support—which isn’t included in the plan. Advocates argue that by letting developers build whatever they want we will address historic racism in housing—without explaining how new market-rate housing will do that. They similarly argue that benefits from new market-rate housing will advance economic largest investment and hope that through building equity, they can cash that equity in someday. If the city changes the game via the plan and manipulates the housing stock in our neighborhoods, it is difficult to predict the effect on equity. The city planners, by their own admission, are not economists and did not engage any in the drafting of the plan, so they can’t speak to the impact on property values. It’s why many property owners are nervous and frustrated.

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Over 160 residents attended the June 6 Minneapolis 2040 Comp Plan Information session, sponsored by the four Hill and Lake neighborhoods. Several of them offered their comments on the meeting and on the draft Comp Plan itself. (Compiled by Michael Wilson)

Canan Karatekin / Cedar-Isles-Dean
It was good to have a chance to hear about the 2040 plan. However, I was disappointed to hear the city planners say several times that they had no control over “market forces” and had no way to predict what the market would do. The impression I got from the meeting was that the developers of high-end homes would have free rein over the city by 2040. I hope there will be some mechanism by which we find out how feedback from the community has been incorporated into the plan. Thanks for the chance to give feedback.

Sam and Barbara Murphy / Kenwood
Alert neighbors. The draft Minneapolis 2040 plan is a far-reaching change that will have a major, irreversible impact on the lakes neighborhoods. Driving four-story apartment buildings up along Franklin Avenue and 21st Street through Lowry Hill and Kenwood will impact entire neighborhoods that are the envy of most cities. Look how the increased density along Lake Street into uptown has generated serious traffic and pedestrian safety issues, with no improvement in transportation, affordable housing or segregation. That is your future.

Robert Hince / Lowry Hill
The Minneapolis 2040 proposal extols the virtues and vibrancy of our city, and then states the intention to change it. Density merely for growth’s sake is coerced, not an organic response. The desire to increase density, as suggested, will likely result in the same effect as the freeways dividing neighborhoods in the 1960s. This time it’ll be the canyons of condos that dwarf and isolate businesses, homes and residents. Sometimes what is not built is as important as what is.

Harriet Horwitz / East Isles
What is worth saving? In 1988, as developers pro- posed a 25-story apartment tower adjoining the Calhoun Beach Club, concerned citizens throughout the city let their council members know how vital our Chain of Lakes Regional Park is to the unique identity of Minneapolis. In response, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the Shoreland Overlay District ordinance, conforming to DNR protections limiting building within 1000 feet of lakes. Under the Minneapolis 2040, however, those protections will be removed and buildings reaching 30 stories are possible. Currently, buildings with over 1200 units near Bde Maka Ska are min 1988 for limitations so that, genera-

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forward this fall.”

Heather Worthington, the city’s director of long range planning, assured Hill and Lake neighborhoods who attended an informational meeting on June 6th that comments will be read and taken into consideration, especially comments that provide concrete, detailed information that the planning team may have overlooked.

You can review the plan and submit comments at minneapolis2040.com. If you’re a linear thinker, you can access a PDF of the entire plan by clicking in the top right-hand corner of the online homepage (see illustration accompanying this story) or by going to minneapolis2040.com/pdf. You can’t make comments via the PDF version, but you can, and SHOULD, make comments at minneapolis2040.com. You can also comment via email at <2040@minneapolismn.gov>.

The comment period closes on July 22nd. Planners will then make revisions and present a final draft to the City Planning Commission and the City Council in the fall. Further input may be taken by City Council members at that time, but the best time to share concerns and ideas is right now.

The June 6 Comp Plan Information meeting was led by Heather Worthington (left), the city’s director of long range planning, and Brian Schaffer (right), principal project coordinator. Shawn Smith (center), KICAA board chair, was the moderator.

Affordable housing will be the loser. Let there be low-income housing and more. Let’s test out the economics of this proposal before a wholesale change begins. That many more people and their cars—in an area that’s already congested every morning and afternoon—would increase the risk of a child being hit by a car.

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Evan Boyd / East Isles
Moving people in the Minneapolis 2040 Plan: I have been a resident in the Uptown area for eight years and I worked in downtown Minneapolis for 27 years. In both areas several apartment, condominium, and corporate buildings have been built but I have seen no improvement in moving people in and out of downtown or Uptown. All future residences and corporate buildings should have off-street parking. While I agree with bike lanes it seems regressive to make 26th and 28th one lane for cars when there is great Greenway biking close at hand. Should there be more one-way streets with no parking, streets dedicated to bikes, buses, taxis, Ubers, Lyft etc? We do not have good mass transportation and often the streets are closed for events.

Nancy and Jim Nikora / Cedar-Isles-Dean
As Worthington stated the Plan 2040 recognizes the shortage of affordable housing and encourages density of existing and new development. Significant projects are slated for the Lake Street transit corridor, but their higher rents contradict the Plan’s goals. We’ve told the city cannot control development projects, however the Hiawatha corridor has fully developed transit where more affordable housing could be encouraged with TIF funds. Our lakes, protected by Theodore Wirth and 1987’s Shoreline Overlay, are the city’s most valuable asset, and must not be walled off to profit a few.

Brian Repko and Kristin Gaarde / Kenwood
Unfortunately, transit plans don’t keep up with the density plans. People still need cars that require parking and traffic planning. Also, lack of affordable housing and altering the single-family neighborhoods are issues. We prefer density at intersections, not along full corridors. We are concerned that density near Bde Maka Ska has an environmental impact. For Kenwood, any corridor to SWLRT would be better as a bike corridor and not a Corridor 4 level.

Michael Rothman / Cedar-Isles-Dean
At 245 pages the Minneapolis 2040 Plan is indeed utopian in scope. Real estate is a wonderful priority. So is more density. I fear, however, that the plan is something of a Trojan horse insofar as the 30-story towers in CIDNA indicate a field day for developers who will, as always, let the market be their guide. Affordable housing will be the loser. Let there be low-rise and walkability. Save my Calhoun Village Punch Pizza, or else!

John and Loni Healam / East Isles
We thought that the presenter on June 6, Heather Worthington, did an excellent job in outlining the 2040 Comprehensive Plan (not policy!), and in answering audience questions. We noticed the demographics of those attending this meeting: very few minorities and largely, like us, of the older generation. I would thus suggest (partially in jest!) that very individual residents real estate would be of more consideration than current housing and commercial properties and how they will change by 2040.

Jeremy Nichols and Evelyn Turner / Kenwood
In addition to the concerns about, and obvious Hill and Lake residents speak page five
mistakes in, the land use designations, there is substantial policy overreach and an absence of consideration of how the implementation of the policies is to be funded. The plan is difficult to understand as it is full of technical terms and written in jargon. It promotes a particular ideological agenda. Written in an arrogant form of government for the city or city finances in general.

Mike Sward / Cedar-Isles-Dean

Over ice cream with my 12 year old godchild yesterday, backyards came up. “Are they important”, I asked. “I know everyone can’t have one,” she replied. “I just can’t imagine growing up without ours! We play there all the time. My moms like it because we’re safe!”

I’m a Realtor, and her words echo the concerns I hear most frequently from Buyers: “What assurances are there that multi-unit dwellings won’t take over and ruin the neighborhood?” Most of us welcome diversity, but I was paying attention. You could be in any poorly-conceived strip centers and random retail outlets were the rule, Lakewood, founded in 1871 by abolitionists, clowns and marathon dancers inhabit the rolling park-like grounds on the shores of Bde Msk Kta, maybe someday also home to the Urban Coyote Column. Read on.

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LAKEWOOD: COYOTE TURNS TO GRAVE THOUGHTS

By James P. Lenfestey

What do McKnight, Pillsbury, Glueck, Ueland, Dunwoody, Loring, Lowry, Blaisdell, Woo, Humphrey, Wellstone and Lenfestey in common? We all own real estate in Lakewood Cemetery: Captains Of Industry, pioneering suffragettes, an abundance Of Elks, doctors, lawyers, soldiers, restaurateurs, firefighters, journalists, clowns and marathon dancers inhabit the rolling park-like grounds on the shores of Bde Msk Kta, maybe someday also home to the Urban Coyote Column. Read on.

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Today’s enlightened board of directors at Lakewood celebrates not only Memorial Day but Earth Day and many other events open to the public. And its beautiful setting of more than 250 acres allows glorious weddings as well as peaceful funerals, particularly in its historic Byzantine chapel whose spectacular interior mosaics shimmer with light reflected from 10 million hand-laid tiles.

Speaking of funerals, according to “Haven in the Heart of the City: The History of Lakewood Cemetery,” businessman Woo Ye Sing set a highwater mark in 1925. His service began at Westminster Church near downtown, marched with a Chinese band past his house to gather his soul, then on to Lakewood, followed by an effusive Chinese dinner and gifts. Of course, one can be quietly interred at Lakewood without granite or bronze or fanfare, in one of the many memorial parks and crypts. And these days giant memorials and funerals are out of fashion, like knickers and roadsters and Chinese bands.

Nor for me. I admire the exuberant vision of the founders and Mr. Woo. Why not add another startling sculpture to Lakewood’s sculpture garden, this one dedicated to the memory of the city’s robust neighborhoods and community journalists who tells their stories? Why not a 20-foot-tall column with a howling coyote on top – the Urban Coyote Column! That’s not unreasonable, is it kids?

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**Hennepin board gives SWLRT additional $204 million; Calhoun Isles vibration damage issue remains unsettled**

By Michael Wilson

The Hennepin County board voted to give Southwest LRT another $204,000,000 at a special meeting on May 31, pushing the total cost of the project for the moment — past $2 billion. But Commissioner Mike Opat was having none of it.

"I've supported the SW light rail project. I support it at the existing budget," said Opat, who represents Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, and several smaller adjacent suburbs. "But the problem with this project, and why I'm not going to support the budget increase today, is I think the project is just plain poorly managed. ... [A]fter a decade of planning, this is just too big. This increase — 200 million dollars solely on the county — is too big."

Commissioner Jeff Johnson was even more blunt. "Everyone knows I have opposed this project, even when the price tag was much lower," Johnson said. "I just think the cost vs the benefit of this is terrible. It's just terrible. And since then we've incurred what, a half percent, 65 percent increase, depending on the numbers you look at. We've doubled the cost, and everyone up here knows this is going to climb even higher. We are not done yet. This is not going to be a $2 billion project. It's going to be more that that."

Hennepin must cover all costs increases alone.

"We can't know, of course, what opinions the other five commissioners are expressing behind closed doors. But on May 31, only Commissioners Debbie Goettel and Marion Greene asked a few informational questions. Even Commissioner Peter McLaughlin, Southwest's champion for almost three decades, appeared to those in attendance rather subdued. In the end, by a 5-2 vote, the board approved this latest $204 million cash infusion for the beleaguered SWLRT project.

What particularly irritated Opat was that, with the 50 percent federal contribution capped at $928.8 million, Hennepin County is now on the hook for the full amount of this and all future budget increases. "These costs should have been anticipated and included before this went to final engineering, and before the federal share was locked down, before we are exposed to all the increases," he said.

The Republican-controlled legislature backed out of completing its ten percent share of local funding in 2016. The 2017 Transportation bill prohibited the Met Council from spending proceeds of its general obligation bonds to finance any new LRT lines. The bill also allowed the state to continue paying 50 percent of net operating costs for the existing Blue and Green lines but prohibited any state contribution to net operating costs for Southwest.

And faced with dissection from Anoka County and a decision by Dakota County to withdraw from the five-member Counties Transit Improvement Board, CTIB disbanded last September. CTIB had been slated to pay about 28 percent of Southwest's costs through its quarter-cent regional sales tax, which it was required by law to spend solely on transit projects.

Sales tax can fund road projects too.

Sates can tax fund projects too.

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More cost increases appear inevitable.

"The $204 million budget increase approved by five of the seven Hennepin County commissioners on May 31 the end of the increases? Hardly. Costs of materials used in construction, including diesel fuel, are soaring. Payroll costs will have to climb in a labor market that is enjoying record low levels of unemployment."

Go to <finance-commerce.com> to read a sobering assessment of the situation, "Price volatility may continue for Southwest light rail" (May 16, 2018).

And then there's the potential budget-buster looming at the "pinch point" in the Kenilworth Corridor, where project planners insist they can push street piles down 60 feet to excavate a tunnel 24 inches from the footings of the Calhoun Isles condominium towers on one side and a few feet on the other side from TC&W freight trains weighing upwards of 14,500 tons and often carrying highly flammable ethanol — all within a 62-foot-wide right-of-way. (See the pinch point cross-section illustration accompanying this article.)

A vibration study of the towers was not part of the October 2012 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) because everyone still trusted Hennepin County's longstanding promise to remove the freight trains which were "temporarily" using the Kenilworth Corridor in order to make room for SWLRT. Co-location of freight and LRT became the new reality in January 2013, however, and an LRT tunnel became the chosen way to "thread the needle" through the pinch point.

In early April, the Met Council got around to conducting a transfer mobility study done (at their insistence) by their own people. Civil engineers from the Innsa Consulting Group, retained by the Calhoun Isles board, were allowed to observe. The first set of preliminary results of the study: SWLRT concluded on page 15
CELLOici returns to neighborhood with three concerts in July

By Michael Wilson

After playing to enthusiastic audiences last summer, CELLOici returns to our neighborhood in July with three concerts featuring three of the country’s best cellists.

An outgrowth of the International Cello Institute, an intensive three-week program for aspiring young cellists held at St. Olaf College, CELLOici brings faculty members to Minneapolis so we can enjoy some of the wonderful music-making going on in Northfield.

All three concerts take place in July at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, right next to our Hill and Lake neighborhood. Concerts begin at 7:30 pm. Melissa Osley, Classical MPR host and International Cello Institute board member, will provide commentary at all three concerts.

Concerts on July 17 and 21.

The first concert on Tuesday, July 17, features Mark Kasower, principal cellist of the acclaimed Cleveland Orchestra, and his recital partner (and wife) Jee-Won Oh. Kasower grew up in Eau Claire and performed many times as a student in the Twin Cities. He has the distinction of being the youngest person ever to have performed on Schubert Club’s Music in the Park Series when he appeared, along with his sister and father, as a nine-year-old prodigy. Oh has performed across the United States and in Europe, Asia, and South America as a soloist and chamber musician.

The second concert on Saturday, July 21, features Astrid Schween, cellist of the renowned Juilliard String Quartet, and pianist Mary Jo Gothmann. Schween is currently a faculty member at the Juilliard School and the cellist in the Juilliard String Quartet. Prior to joining the Juilliard, Schween was the Lark Quartet’s cellist for 25 years, succeeding Laura Sewell, founding cellist of the Lark. Gothmann has been a staff accompanist with VocalEssence, Minnesota Opera, Santa Fe Opera, and the Metropolitan Opera. She performs with the SPCO and Minnesota Orchestra. Sewell is an impeccable musician, the world’s leading string quartet cellists and she approaches everything she plays with great integrity and a lot of thought. Mary Jo is well known to Twin Cities audiences as one of our most sought-after local pianists. Both women are true music collaborators.

The third concert is on Tuesday, July 31. Read your July Hill & Lake Press for more information.

Laura Sewell directs the International Cello Institute’s Junior Division — and is of course one of the cellists of the Isles Ensemble, which performs four times a year at Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church, in the heart of our Hill and Lake neighborhood.

Bach, Barber, Bridge, Debussy and Franck.

“We’re excited to be bringing Mark and Jee-Won to the Twin Cities because they are well-known as a duo and, as husband and wife, play so beautifully and effortlessly together,” Sewell says. “Their program is quite unusual and will be a treat. Mark has arranged a Bach violin sonata for cello (BWV 1005) which should be delightful. They are playing two lush, romantic cello sonatas: the Samuel Barber Sonata, Op. 6, and the Franz Bridge Sonata.”

Sewell is enthusiastic about the Schween/Gothmann concert as well. “Astrid is the consummate chamber musician,” Sewell says. “She is one of the world’s leading string quartet cellists and she approaches everything she plays with great integrity and a lot of thought. Mary Jo is well known to Twin Cities audiences as one of our most sought-after local pianists. Both women are true music collaborators.”

Schween and Gothmann will be playing the delightful cello sonata of Claude Debussy; Sewell says, and the famous sonata by Cesar Franck (usually played by violinists but transcribed for cello by Franck himself). Schween will perform the unaccompanied sonata for cello by composer and cellist Gaspar Cassado, which Sewell promises is “full of Spanish passion and virtuosity!”

Concert tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance on ICI’s website (<internationalcelloinsti tute.com>). Individual tickets are $25 for adults and $15 for seniors. Tickets for the three-concert series are $65 for adults and $40 for seniors. Students are free. It’s refreshing that the CELLOici venue can please everyone — easily accessible for transit users, bikers, and walkers, with plenty of free parking for those who drive.

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DFLers endorse for congressional district 5 seat

Former HLP area representative Margaret Anderson Kelliher choose not to attend special endorsing convention by Gary Cohen, foreign correspondent

I was hoping to be able to report on some local flavor at this convention from the perspective of how Margaret Anderson Kelliher, who formerly represented HLP land in the state legislature from 1999 through 2011, fared at the June 17 convention. However, as reported in the Star Tribune and other media sources, Kelliher declined to attend the convention. She noted that "the convention was hastily set up and was being held on Father's Day". Another candidate, Jamal Abdulahi, also chose not to attend the endorsing convention.

However, since it is a rare event when a congressional seat opens up, we thought it would still be helpful to report on the event. By way of some brief history, only three people have held the congressional district five seat since 1963. They are Don Fraser, Martin Sabo and Keith Ellison. Ellison was elected the last time the seat opened in 2006 when Martin Sabo retired. Sabo had served since 1978. (Extra credit if you know it was Walter Judd who served prior to Fraser in that seat!)

Congressional district five is a heavily DFL leaning district. The district includes all of Minneapolis, as well as first ring western and southern suburbs including Robbinsdale, New Hope, Golden Valley, St Louis Park, Hopkins and Richfield. No republican has held the seat since the 1962 election of Don Fraser. The seat opened this year due to the fact that Keith Ellison, the current incumbent, filed to run for attorney general, thus opening up his congressional seat. Under party rules, a special endorsing convention was selected as a method to endorse a candidate for the newly opened seat.

So, what did happen at the convention on a warm Father's Day Sunday? If you have attended your precinct caucus and been elected a delegate, you are familiar with how delegates get elected to conventions to endorse candidates. The congressional district five convention delegates were those who attended their senate district and state convention earlier this year. If you have never attended a precinct caucus, it all may seem like so much inside politics to you. But, the major political parties in Minnesota have used this caucus/convention process for many years. The first major change to this process in decades will come in 2020 when Minnesota holds a presidential primary.

Three candidates came forward to seek endorsement at the June 17 convention held at Clara Barton School in south Minneapolis. They were Frank Drake, state representative Ilhan Omar and state senator Patricia Torres Ray. Nominated candidates each had five minutes to speak to the convention and then a 15 minute question and answer session was held. During the question and answer session, all three candidates indicated they would run in the August 14 primary regardless of the outcome of the convention. Following the question and answer session, the first ballot for endorsement was held. 187 votes were cast in the first ballot at the convention. 113 votes were required to endorse. Endorsement requires a 60% affirmative vote. First ballot results were 29 (14.9%) for no endorsement, 59 (30.3%) for Torres Ray and 107 (54.8%) for Omar. By convention rules, Drake was dropped as he received the lowest vote total of the three candidates on the first ballot. The remaining candidates, Torres Ray and Omar, moved on to a second ballot.

Prior to the second ballot, both candidates spoke to the convention again. They both noted how exciting it was to page 13
There are people whose brilliance continues to light the world even though they are no longer among the living…. By Hannah Senesh

Penny Bette Jacobs
By Laurie Savran

Penny Bette Jacobs slipped away on May 24th but her radiant spirit will always be at Cedar Lake. In summers she loved to swim across the lake, bike around the lake, canoe on the lake, roller blade and walk every day year-round. In winters she went ice skating, cross country skiing and downhill skiing in Aspen. A Ralph Waldo Emerson poem states, “Scatter Joy!” There are sparks of Penny’s joyful spirit scattered all over Cedar Lake, all over Minneapolis and all over the world. When she was younger her parents and sister Jeanne’s experience was probably “scatter oy” as Penny was always outside playing until way after dark and no one knew where she was.

Penny was a teacher, and her students were the recipients of her brilliance. She is remembered for organizing protest marches with her classroom involving environmental issues and more recently to end gun violence and to stop screwing the middle class, the title of one of her 6 or so books she wrote on a typewriter. Later, she loved to play duets with her musical friends and regularly hosted music nights attended not only by friends and family but by children she had encouraged to play. Her creativity was evident at her slide shows of her many trips around the world (usually quickly flashing a nude slide), ending in dessert and everyone admiring her cuckoo clocks, wind-up toys and frog collection (She was called frog and her friend Carolyn Bell was Toad). Penny survived serious health issues and often remarked that “the beast” had come when she was 63. On her birthday we were required to read poems or perform up in her bedroom by the piano followed by her favorite food from Christos which definitely spread joy. She also loved Wakame and both restaurants sent her meals when she was too ill to go out which helped tame the beast.

I was lucky enough to become her friend over 20 years ago. She immediately called me Laurie the Magnificent and I was to call her Penny the Great. Great she was as testified by all of her family, friends, former students and neighbors when I posted her pictures on Facebook. When we went to plays, movies, orchestra concerts and Art In Bloom every year, she would make new friends and would soon have them for dinner. She would remark that they tasted delicious. Always enthusiastic, one of her favorite words was “wunderbar.” On New Year’s Eve this year we went to the Minnesota Orchestra together and danced at midnight and drank champagne. It was wunderbar. Just a few months ago, even though the beast was visiting, I picked her up and took her to the Loppet Luminary. We held onto each other that magical night as we walked onto Lake of the Isles and admired the lights and the candles and the people singing.

Most of all, Penny scattered joy (and sometimes oy), to her husband, Sol and their children, Robin, Leslie, Paul and Robert, and granddaughters whom she lovingly called the gargoyles.

There are stars whose radiance is visible on earth though they have long been extinct.
LOWRY HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

By Michael Cockson, President and Acting Secretary

Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes, June 5, 2018
First Unitarian Society, 900 Mount Curve
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Board Members Present: Michael Cockson (acting Chair and Secretary), Toni D’Eramo, Krishna Dorney, Bob Hinck, Jennifer Breitinger, Jimmy Vogel, Lee Switzerberg, and Justin Baylor

Others: Lisa Goodman (City of Minneapolis City Council), Jono Cowgill (Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board)

Call to Order: 7:10 pm

Approval of Minutes: Toni D’Eramo moved and Justin Baylor seconded that the minutes of the May 1, 2018 meeting be approved. The motion passed. Toni D’Eramo moved and Lee Switzerberg seconded that the minutes of the May 15, 2018 meeting be approved. The motion passed.

Community Announcements: Toni D’Eramo reported on Council Member Lisa Goodman’s report: Annual Fieldtrip, Thursday, June 28, 2018 (12:00-1:00) to Animal Care & Control at 212 17th Ave. N, Minneapolis, 55411.

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Hazardous Waste Events

Friday, Saturday (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)
June 22-23 at Pilgrim Elementary School
2250 Garfield Street NE
July 27-28 at Jenny Lind Elementary School
5025 Bryant Ave. N.
August 10-11 at Anthony Middle School
5757 Irving Ave. S.
August 17-18 at South High School
3131 19th Ave. S.
www.hennepin.us/collectedevents 612-348-3777 or environment@hennepin.us

Open Street 2018 - Free events bringing community and local businesses together
Sunday, June 10 (11:00-5:00): Lyndale (22nd to 54th Street)
Sunday, July 22 (11:00-5:00): Lake + Minnehaha
Sunday, August 5 (10:00-10:00): Northeast
Sunday, August 26 (11:00-5:00): Franklin (Portland to 26th Ave.)
Saturday, September 15 (11:00-5:00): West Broadway (Lyndale to Penn)
Sunday, September 23 (11:00-5:00): Nicollet (Lake to 46th Street)
Sunday, September 30 (11:00-5:00): U of M Web Page: www.openstreetmpls.org

Treasurer’s Report: Toni D’Eramo reported LHNA is in good shape. Bank balance showing $34,667.20.

Revised budget. In order to accommodate funding for such a project, a Plan Modification to EIRA Phase 2 NRP strategy is necessary. This NRP strategy aligns

EAST ISLES RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Respectfully Submitted by: Debbie Gold, Secretary EIRA Board of Director

East Isles Residents’ Association (EIRA)
Minutes from the EIRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOID) Meeting June 12, 2018
Grant from Trinity Community Church
Board members present: Brad Ash (President), Amy Sanborn (Treasurer), Debbie Gold (Secretary), Peter Mason, Julia Curran, John Grochala, Steve Havig, John Morrow, Ellen van Varenden
Board members absent: Mike Erlandson (Vice-President), Joe Gibbons
Guests: Lisa Goodman (City Council member), Andrew Degerstrom, Kathy Waite (Minneapolis Police Inspector)

Welcome & Call to Order: Brad Ash, EIRA President

Guest Speaker, Lisa Goodman, City Council Member

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Opportunity to join neighborhood 2020 work groups


Commons 2018 Summer Session Event includes movies, musical performances, fitness classes, book club and a weekly evening Mill City Farmers Market, www.commonsomnpls.com/activities

Summer Walking Tours showcase Minneapolis history. Offered by Preserve Minneapolis featuring 27 tours. Tours start @ $10 per person. Tickets are available through Eventbrite. www.preservempls.org/summer-walking-tours

Construction starts on Peavey Plaza Revitalization Project

35W at 94 Project www.mndot.gov/35w94.
Hotline 612-284-6125. Email info@35w94.com

Guest Speaker, Kathy Waite (Minneapolis Police Inspector) came to discuss recent shooting of 3 people at The Lotus Restaurant in Uptown last Friday. Two of the victims were transported to the hospital by EMS and the third transported himself. Open investigation, but potentially related to identified gang activity at this location. Julie Casey, in charge of business licensing for the City of Minneapolis has been aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police aware of any suspicious activity. She reiterated to police awareness at a venue that inform
Minutes for the East Isles Residents Association (EIRA) Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, 5/8/18 7:00 p.m. Grace Trinity Community Church, 1430 W 28th Street

Board members present: Brad Ash, Mike Erlandson, Debbie Gold, Amy Sanborn, Julia Curran, Steve Haux, John Morrow, Ellen Van Iwaarden Board members absent: Peter Mason, Joe Gibbons, John Grochala

Guests: Lisa Goodman (City Councilmember), EIRA Residents: Michael Gold, Jesse Walsh, Harvey Entinger

Welcome & Call to Order: Brad Ash

Guest Speaker: Lisa Goodman, City Council Member

• Lunch with Lisa is May 23rd in Opus Hall rm 202. Scott Dibble & Frank Hortstein will talk about the legislative wrap up.

• The Lunch with Lisa field trip in June will be touring the Minneapolis Animal Care Control Shelter.

• A variance was approved for 2815 E Lake of the Isles Pkwy to increase its maximum height from 28 to 34 ft.

• Hennepin Av will be undergoing a 3-day bus schedule shift $7,000.00 of funds: 

  • Yard waste collection has begun. Instead of buying law bags, residents can now use their own provided alternative container. Upon request, Hennepin County will provide yellow stickers that state the contents are leaves and yard waste.

  • The city is still doing cold patches on pot holes. It’s important to call in holes on sidewalks and in streets. Residents are eyes and ears, call 311.

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  • Metro transit will temporarily eliminate parking for 4 hours on each side corresponding to rush hours to bus rapid transit and collect data points. Implementation of potential changes on a long-term basis will occur in 2022.

  • Street sweeping has started, it is two weeks behind. Residents can find the schedule on the city website. An issue with tow trucks following behind sweepers leaves (I’ll take this out I just wanted to write that). If this is in progress please take a picture and send it to Lisa Goodman’s office. It is a problem to have leaves and trash getting into drains.

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  • The future of communications is being examined. More people are using electronic means. The Market Manager hire was approved over email.

  • The March meeting was cancelled. A new meeting date will be determined.

  • EIRA has a significant allocation of funds and has worked to spend in the neighborhood on projects such as benches on mall, moveable wooden benches in the area, the warming house refresh, and more.

  • With the elections in November it changed the dynamic of the Park Board, such as who is working on what projects. The chess tables are still in process, follow up is needed.

  • NRP Committee

  • The March meeting was cancelled. A new meeting date will be determined.

  • For NRP to be an effective committee, more residents should be recruited, especially non-BOD members.

  • Outreach & Nominations Committee

  • Three more BOD members were voted in to fill in all open positions.

  • The future of communications is being examined to get more people involved in EIRA. The focus is shifting to help with specific projects rather than chairing committees although both roles are needed.

  • Social Committee – Social Chair Amy Sanborn sought. No new chair has yet emerged in becoming a new Social Chair. As such, volunteers are being sought to help out with individual events.

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Cedar Isles Dean Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

MINUTES, June 13, 2018

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Interim Chair Taylor Pentelovitch, Treasurer Rosanne Halloran, Secretary: Mary Pattock, Mary Pattock, James Reid, and Vern Vander Weide. Community Liaison: Monica Smith.

Interim Chair Taylor Pentelovitch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7, and Minneapolis City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7, were in attendance.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously by voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes

The May 2018 minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

4. Approval of Monthly Budget Report

The Board adopted the May 2018 budget report unanimously by voice vote.

5. Action Items

- $155 to reimburse Claire Ruebeck for 2040 distribution
- $50 to St. Paul’s for hosting the informational forum
- $155 to reimburse Claire Ruebeck for 2040 display board printing expenses

6. FYI

- New Business
  - The CIDNA Board approved a motion to not allow for the 2040 plan presentation to be held on Thursday, October 11.

7. Reports

- Board President: Brad Ash
- Secretary: Rosanne Halloran
- Treasurer: Amy Sanborn

8. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer’s Report. Financial statements for May 2018 were reviewed.

9. General Business

- Unrestricted funds tie over cash flow. The Farmers Market fund is needed due to budget authority for 2018 as part of the EIFM effort.
- The EIRA ratifies the EIFM’s budget and related budget authority for 2018 as part of the EIFM effort.

10. Board Budget

The Board of Directors has approved the budget for 2018 as presented.

11. Volunteer Support

The Board expressed a need for more volunteers to plan 2018 events and projects. A call for volunteer support and ideas.

12. Wine Tasting Planning

Wine tasting planning has begun. Last year EIRA raised close to $2500. It takes about 50 hours of planning and regular updates will be shared at EIRA BOD meetings.

13. Zoning & Land Use Committee

The Zoning & Land Use Committee is being chaired by Vern Vander Weide.

14. Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee is being chaired by Jay Petersen.

15. CIDNA Events

The CIDNA Board approved the following expenditures:
- Up to $750 for a mailing
- $155 to reimburse Claire Ruebeck for 2040 display board printing expenses

16. New Business

- New Business
  - The CIDNA Board approved the following expenditures:
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17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next meeting will be held at Jones-Harrison Residence on July 11, 6:00 p.m.
June 2018 KIAA Meeting Minutes

KIAA Board met June 4, 2018, at Kenwood Rec Center. Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Treasurer Matt Spies, Angie Enderich, Carl Goldstein, Jeannette Colby, Jack Levi, Evelyn Turner, Jeremy Nichols, Mark Brown, and Will Stensrud. Also present CM Lisa Goodman, 2 neighbors, and guest speakers (see below). Absent: Kyle Leier

The agenda was approved with an amendment to add a Treasurer Report and Budget Update

New Board Member

Shawn introduced neighbor Amy Noble, who has expressed interest in joining the board. After introductions, Amy was voted to join the board unanimously!

City Council Update –CM Lisa Goodman

The next Lunch with Lisa is Thursday, June 28th, from 12 – 1PM at Minneapolis Animal Control, 212 17th Ave North. Please RSVP. 40 spots are available for the tour. No lunch will be offered. There will be a break in July and August, Lunch with Lisa will resume in September.

Household Hazardous Waste events are scheduled for around the city. The nearest locations are Anthony Middle School on August 10-11, South High School on August 17-18, and Pillsbury Elementary on June 22-23.

Open Street Minneapolis Events: Lyndale, June 10th, 11AM – 5PM, 22nd St W to 54th St W; Lake and Minnehaha, July 22nd, 11AM – 5PM, East Lake Street from Elliot Avenue to Minnehaha Avenue 135 Project, sign up for updates on progress and closures at www.dot.state.mn.us

Irene Hixon Whitney Bridge continues to be closed due to the wooden decking being replaced and may remain closed until August 2018

Minneapolis 2040 Plan: public input is imperative, both individuals and neighborhood associations should respond. For more information, please attend the meeting being held on 6/6/18 at St Paul’s Episcopal church at 7PM, co-sponsored by KIAA, Cedars-Isles-Dean Neighborhood Association, East Isles Resident Association, and Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association.

Zoning Proposal – 2008 Kenwood Parkway, Jon Schwartz and Bob Ganser

ADU Project to convert existing 3 stall garage into living unit; Project will add 400 square feet and raise the height of the building

Zoning conflict on north side of property due to not meeting required setback; per homeowner, neighbors to both the north and south sides of the property are in support of the construction project and have provided letters of support to the homeowner

Matt made the motion to not object to this ADU

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was to have two female immi- grants vying for this endorse- ment. They also encouraged their supporters to remain and to continue to vote. And, they again both noted they would be continuing to the August prima- ry.

The second ballot yielded an endorsement. 180 votes were cast on the second ballot. Final vote totals were no endorsement 13 (7.2%), Torres Ray 44 (24.4%) and Omar 123 (68.3%).

So, the DFL candidates on the August 14 ballot will be Abdulahi, Drake, Kellher, Omar and Torres Ray. State senator Bobby Joe Champion is also on the ballot, but he has indicated he has suspended his campaign.

And, lest you think this is all about DFL’ers, there are three republicans running for this seat. They are Jennifer Zielinski, Christopher Chamberlain and Bob Carney. The republican candidate for this seat will also be selected in the August 14 pri- mary. The top candidate in each party’s primary will face off in the November 6 general elec- tion.

Absentee voting for the August 14 primary begins on June 29. If you are not currently registered to vote, you must do so by July 24 to be eligible to vote in the August 14 primary. If you are not registered to vote by that date, you may also register to vote on election day. You can find information out about voter registration at the Minnesota secretary of state’s website at https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us /VoterRegistration/VoterRegistr ationMain.aspx. You can find more information on absentee voting at the following site https://www.sos.state.mn.us/ele ctions/voting/other-ways-to-vote/vote-early-by-mail/

You can expect lots of cam- paign activities in your neighbor- hood between now and the pri- mary as almost all statewide offices have primary election contests this year.

Don’t miss the
Lowry Hill
Ice Cream Social!

Tuesday July 17th at
Thomas Lowry Park (Colfax & Douglas)
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association

Mingle with your neighbors and enjoy ice cream or a root beer float.

A special thank you to our local Sebastian Joe’s & The Lowry.

Sunday June 24th - Lake of the Isles Walking Tour - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Learn about Lake of the Isles historic homes, the people who designed, built and lived in them. Meet at the bridge at the southeast corner of Lake of the Isles. Rain or shine. $10/person or $25/family suggested donation. Donations support Alliance Housing’s mission for sustainable, affordable housing. LHNA will match donations for each ticket sold. Email info@alliancehousinginc.org or benolk3@gmail.com to sign up.

Thomas Lowry Park Gardening Volunteers Needed

Dates: July 14th, August 11th, September 8th, and October 13th
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Details: Meet at Thomas Lowry Park.

LHNA Board Meetings JULY & AUGUST: Summer hiatus, no meetings. See you in September!

To learn more about LHNA, visit us at lowryhillneighborhood.org
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as it is one way to grow density in our neighborhood while keeping the character of the neighborhood intact. However, no objection statement will be pending the receipt of the letters from the neighboring property owners showing support for the ADU. Jeanette seconded the motion.

Guest Speaker – Jennifer Neale, Crime Specialist, Summer Safety

Block leaders are still needed on some blocks in Kenwood.

YTD, 8 reported crime incidents in Kenwood; 2 burglaries and 6 thefts/larcenies; report all crime to 911, 311, or online; crime reports directly affect the areas patrolled by MPD.

Summer Safety Prevention Tips

Keep your doors locked, even if working in the yard or taking a short walk around the block.

Put all yard items (ladders, bikes, golf clubs, yard equipment, etc.) away when not in use; secure and lock high value items in your locked garage.

Always store your bike out of sight, in a secure location, and record the serial number.

When you go on vacation, use timers to turn on lights in your house to give the appearance that someone is always home.

Roll up car windows, remove all valuables, and lock your car every time you exit – even in your own driveway.

Install motion lights in front and backyards.

Election of KIAA Officers 2018 – 2019

Chair – Shawn Smith

Vice Chair – Jeanette Colby

Treasurer – Matt Spies

Secretary – Amy Noble

Motion made by Jeremy to nominate officers, seconded by Matt. All present voted in favor of nominated officers.

Minneapolis 2040 Information Meeting and KIAA Draft Response


Three Key Areas that KIAA would like to see addressed/changed get for the 2040 Plan

1. Maintain green space and park-like atmosphere along the Kenilworth Trail in accordance with the MOU.

2. Transportation corridor along Franklin to 21st St.

New Business

East Cedar Lake Beach update: Summer Kickoff scheduled for June 9th with activities and food. July meeting will be changed to the second Monday in July due to the July 4th Holiday. The meeting will be July 9th, 7PM, at Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church.

2040 Presentation: St. Paul’s Church has waived all room rental and custodial fees. Jeanette made the motion to donate $100 for use of the space and to cover set up and clean up, Mark seconded the motion. Jeanette gave a “shout out” to the Kenwood Elementary 5th graders on their oriole feeders at East Cedar Lake.

Jean thanked the Beck students who volun-
teed their time to assist in clearing buckthorn from the banks of Cedar Lake Park.

Action Between Meetings – All

Shawn, Evelyn, and Angi will continue to work on a draft proposal in response to the Minneapolis 2040 plan. KIAA will seek input from Kenwood residents possibly via Survey Monkey or a poll on the Next Door app.

Financial Report – Matt Spies

2018-2019 proposed budget will be discussed and voted on by board at the July 2018 meeting. Matt emailed budget to board for review.

Received $625 in donations after the annual gathering.

Dennis Fazio continues to be an asset in the new budget will see increased expenses for accounting and financial operations. There is sufficient funding.

Since March 1976, The Hill & Lake Press has served the community as a non-profit newspaper staffed by volunteers. Views expressed are not necessarily those of Hill & Lake Press.
The Minnesota Department of Agriculture has completed its spraying of the neighborhood and will announce when it deems the treatments complete and successful.

The motion passed. Toni D'Eramo moved and Lee Switzenberg seconded to pay up to $550 if the musicians from last year could perform at the event. The motion passed. Jennifer Breitinger moved and Toni D'Eramo seconded that the board work with the Commissioner to provide homeowners peace of mind.

Several tools that enabled online collaboration during our partially-remote phase, like Zoom videoconference and Slack for internal chat. Also, being a tech company, our work was inherently digital.

And now I can say that I really love it! Although my kids and husband don't always understand that I'm intentionally working, even though I'm sitting comfortably right in front of them. And they must imagine that my workday includes copious time for household chores, as they usually run off to work or school leaving behind a smelly of dirty dishes and a messy kitchen as a parting gift. These are drawbacks I'm willing to live with, however.

Summer is more challenging especially with a pre-teen on the brink of boredom hanging around the house making requests. "Feed me," he howls over my laptop while I hold a client meeting by videoconference, smiling at the camera while judiciously hitting the mute button as he makes suggestions, "Eggs and bacon," he whispers, pointing to his wide-open mouth. The real benefits include not having to commute, though I still drop off and pick up at camp, and travel to client meetings and appointments. I don't have to pack my lunch and can take a hot midday meal. I can walk the dog or start a load of laundry or wash dishes during breaks. When kids are sick or on school holiday, I'm around to cover. I can also schedule home repairs and contractors more easily.

In this season of construction and road closures in every direction, being able to stay off the roads during peak road rage is a big, big bonus. At times like this, I think of Lex and his request to work from home and end up mental note of thanks.
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