

**Park Point Small Area Plan  
Plan Committee Meeting  
May 1, 2013 - 5:00 p.m.  
Lafayette Community Recreation Club**

**Participants**

John Judd, City of Duluth Planning  
John Kelley, City of Duluth Planning  
Dawn Buck, Resident  
Sharla Gardner, City Councilor  
Heather Rand, Planning Commission Representative  
John Goldfine, Business Representative  
Jan Karon, Resident  
Deb Kellner, Resident  
Sally Raushenfels, Resident  
Phil Rolle, Resident  
Thomas Beery, Parks and Recreation Commission

**Guests**

Justin Medlin      Mike Medlin  
Laura Edgerton    V. McNabney  
Burke Edgerton    C. McDonnel  
Gerald Hadland    Dave Poulina  
Leigh Schwartz    Dave Wade  
Debbie Schwartz   Deb Medlin  
Brian Nelson  
Susan Schmidt  
Mike Medlin  
Jeff Stuermer  
John Schmidt

**1. Plan Committee Q & A Updates**

Kelley provided committee members with updates on questions asked at the last committee meeting. Plan Committee member discussed the comments with Staff and others present. The agenda was revised to allow Councilor Gardner to address comment that was received and regarding the planning process. Discussion by residents and committee members followed. Karon asked about an attendance Policy. Gardner stated she would address committee member's attendance matters. Kelley provided committee members with additional handouts for agenda items.

**2. Discuss Road Improvement options**

Kelley asked committee members for comment on the re-route idea from Lake Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Street to Minnesota Avenue. Beery stated that he visited the re-route area and suggested others do the same. The committee discussed the need for more detailed drawings for the suggested re-route. Committee members also discussed the option of a Parkway with a one-way street on Minnesota Avenue from the bridge to 13<sup>th</sup> Street and then two-way south bound on Minnesota Avenue to the recreation area. Lake Avenue would become a one-way northbound Street from 13<sup>th</sup> Street to the bridge. A roundabout was also suggested for the Franklin-Tot Lot area.

Kellner suggested that the traffic issues are a result of the traffic flow in Canal Park and that the timing of the stop light by the bridge contributed to the problem along with the bridge going up and down. Goldfine suggested having the "Barbie Bus" used to shuttle visitors to Park Point from the DECC.

Following a good discussion on road improvement options, consensus of the committee was to have Kelley and Judd meet with Keith Hamre to discuss engaging the UMD Engineering Department to complete a traffic analysis and/or transportation plan considering all options discussed and to consider new options that may be available.

**3. Street End Inventory**

Kelley passed out copies of the street end inventory completed by the Park and Recreation staff. Beery stated that the Parks and Recreation Commission are meeting on Wednesday May 8, 2013 at 5pm at the zoo. Beery would like to have Judy Gibbs present to the PP SAP Plan Committee at the next committee meeting.

**4. Plan Committee Meeting and Public Meeting Schedule**

- Next Plan Committee meeting to be on Wednesday May 1, 2013.
- Plan Committee meeting to continue of 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month (May 1 and May 15)

***Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with thanks to all for their participation. Notice of future meetings will be provided.***