
MINUTES
Citizens Long-range Improvement Committee (CLIC)
Regular Meeting

July 9, 2009

Chair:	Tonja West-Hafner	P	Council Liaison:	Steve Lampi	P
Vice Chair:	David Williams	A	Staff Liaison:	Jamie Verbrugge	P
Recorder:	Sy Knapp	EA		Keith Jullie	P
			Youth Liaison:	Nehwoen Luogon	A

MEMBERS:

Adejuwon, S.	A	Durey, D.	P	Fraser, K.	P	Kalla, P.	EA
Maas, A.	P	McNamer, M	P	Robertson, J.	A	Smith, S.	EA
Sundy, R.	A	Sutphen, C.	P	Townsend-Anderson, R.	P	Vosberg, C.	P

GUESTS: None

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair West-Hafner called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Roll Call established that a quorum existed.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to Approve Agenda – Richard Townsend-Anderson, Unanimously passed.

3. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Motion to Accept the Minutes for the June 11, 2009 meeting – Chair West-Hafner, Unanimously passed.

4. **AGENDA ITEMS**

4.1 Election of Officers

Chairman:

Motion Charles Sutphen, to re-elect Tonja West-Hafner for chairman of CLIC for the next year. Unanimously passed.

Vice Chair:

Motion Chair West-Hafner, to elect Mark McNamer for vice chair of CLIC for the next year. Unanimously passed.

Secretary:

Motion Richard Townsend-Anderson, to re-elect Sy Knapp for secretary of CLIC for the next year. Unanimously passed.

4.2 Report of CLIC subcommittees

Natural Resources Committee (David Williams, chair, Sy Knapp, Charles Sutphen, Kathy Fraser & Nehwoen Luogon)

No report from committee.

Ethnic Diversity-Livability (Richard Townsend-Anderson, chair, David Durey, Mark McNamer & Paul Kalla)

Chair Townsend-Anderson read memo from committee with proposed work scope:

- Partner with George Segbee, director of SEE Africa, on African Immigrant support efforts
- David Durey as point person for the subcommittee's work on this issue

There is a significant Liberian population in varying degrees of immigration status. David Durey stated the Liberian issue is significant; assimilation efforts. Legal status needs to be settled. Richard Townsend-Anderson stated that the entire Minnesota congressional delegation supports permanent resident status. Need better estimation of population numbers in Brooklyn Park. Jamie Verbrugge suggested committee meet with Robin Martinson, Multicultural Liaison with the City.

Efficiency in Government (Tonja West-Hafner, chair, Charles Sutphen, Ann Maas & Robert Sundy)

Chair West-Hafner and Ann Maas met with Randi Roller, Chair of the Budget Advisory Commission to talk about her suggestions on shared services. Ms. Roller shared information on contracted services in our budget. City staff will be presenting goals to the City Council on August 3, 2009. Get written report back to commissions on goals, teams, reports. Mayor said input from commissions as constituents is important.

4.3 Recap of Annual Verbal Report to the City Council on June 22, 2009

Chair West-Hafner summarized her report to Council recapping the past year's work. Chair West-Hafner will get a written copy to staff for distribution.

4.4 Set goals and schedule to meet goals for 2009-2010

Chair West-Hafner reminded the commission of Commissioner Sundy's desire to have some specific goals. How should committees go about determining a work plan? Jamie Verbrugge said he has assigned a department director to work on each of the Council's goals. CLIC and the other commissions will be working with them to work on the goals. Jamie said not everything CLIC works on has to be Council initiated; there is expectation that the commission will initiate some issue reviews. Mayor Lampi discussed efforts to encourage involvement and participation. Have subcommittees brainstorm questions to set base of knowledge. Ann Maas asked about youth initiatives and the involvement of parents in those initiatives. Chair West-Hafner explained the structure of Champions for Youth. There are three parts: the Brooklyn Bridge Alliance (Mayors of Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center, School District representatives, etc.), the United 4 Youth Council (Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center youth) and the Youth Opportunities Coalition (concerned adults in the community). More information is at www.brooklynparkyouth.com. She added that since there are new people, perhaps we need the youth to come speak with CLIC again.

Ask Gerri to send out to the full commission Council's goals/vision document distributed at the joint meeting.

5. OTHER ITEMS

5.1 Old Business

None

5.2 City Council Report – Mayor Steve Lampi, Council Liaison

No report.

5.3 Staff Report – Jamie Verbrugge, City Manager

Keith Jullie and Dan Ruiz will be co-leaders of CLIC.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Overview and Update on the Bottineau Transitway Alternative Analysis Study – www.bottransit.org. Chair West-Hafner summarized Hennepin County's progress on Bottineau Transitway and handed out information. There will be public meetings this fall, so watch the website for updates.

Carol Vosberg asked about water conservation and LED street lighting per Gary Brown's memo of June 11, 2009.

Visit by Champions for Youth

CLIC review of CIP/CEP

Next CLIC meeting August 13, 2009

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn – Charles Sutphen, Unanimously passed and Adjournment called by Chair West-Hafner at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jamie Verbrugge, City Manager