Land Use Committee Meeting

January 6, 2022

**Minutes**

1. Call to Order 6:30 p.m.
	1. Attendees: Ioannes Houmas, Rosa Castaneda, Rachel Finazzo-Doll, Tong Thao, Jean Jansen, Joan Ballanger, Jamila Taylor,
2. Licensing Application Review for El Pollo Felix – 1905 Stillwater Ave, Saint Paul
	1. Hear from Rosa Castaneda, proprietor of El Pollo Felix
3. What is the land use committee?
	1. What is our purpose and goal?
		1. Role of chair, roll of staff, role of board members, and role of non-board members
	2. We review and make recommendations to the board or city regarding zoning variances, liquor licensing and other items (depending on timing, the Land Use Committee will take positions on behalf of the board if the issue cannot be brought before the full board).
	3. Guide the board on discussions and stances around business and residential developments in the neighborhood, and explain to the board and public how the committee reached that decision.
4. Equitable Development Scorecard
	1. Introduction of the concept
	2. Proposal for development timeline of GESCC Equitable Development Scorecard
		1. Move to table and reopen at next meeting.
5. Information and upcoming public land use discussions: 1-4 unit housing study
	1. ESFL Event with Sustain Saint Paul tomorrow (Friday, 1/7/22) <https://eastsidefreedomlibrary.org/events/how-can-saint-paul-build-more-housing-a-conversation-with-sustain-saint-paul/>
	2. City Council will hear the presentation on the 1-4 unit housing study from the Planning Commission on January 12, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. More details will be posted here on the city calendar: <https://stpaul.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>
	3. Streets MN provided a detailed review of the legal changes that may come from the 1-4 unit study recommendations, and the St. Paul Pioneer Press also covered the upcoming changes. The views in these articles are the views of MN Streets Editorial Board and the St Paul Pioneer Press respectively (we are just providing them as potential resources):
		1. <https://streets.mn/2021/10/29/the-adus-of-st-paul-and-why-arent-there-more-of-them/>
		2. <https://www.twincities.com/2021/11/22/st-paul-to-consider-easing-development-of-narrow-lots-mother-in-law-apartments/>
6. Adjourn
	1. Motion to adjourn – Joan, second - Jean