



Ward 8 Neighborhood Planning Assembly (NPA): Draft Minutes

Thursday, May 23rd, 2024

6:30 – 7:15pm

Location: Sharon Bushor Conference room, 149 Church St. (City Hall)

Virtual Link: (enter recurring zoom link)

Facilitator: Stella Sarefield

Note Taker: Stella Sarefield

Attendance: Stella Sarefield, Tom Carroll, Krista, Sarah Hernandez-Timm, Charlie Giannoni, Fosca Bechthold

6:30 Introductions & Announcements | 5 Min

- Adopt the agenda
- Introductions

~~6:35~~ ~~Public Forum | 10 Min~~

- ~~● Please state your full name, pronouns, street, and ward, and follow the NPA ground rules.~~

6:45 Relationship with adjacent NPAs | 15 Min

- Discussed whether to re-join with Ward 1 or Ward 6
 - Would be a good idea to meet with both steering committees
 - No reason why not to merge with a ward outside of our district
 - A joint ward 1, ward 8, and ward 6 potluck?
 - “Ward 8 feels like a business district and campus”
 - Come up with 3 goals or ideas for Ward 8 – Charlie G.

7:00 Vote on Spending Remaining Funds | 5 Min

- Vote to confirm previously held discussion about spending our remaining funds for this fiscal year
 - Unanimously approved spending FY24 funds on sending out a mailer to ward 8 residents & remainder of those funds towards

translated NPA outreach comic printing & outreach materials such as stickers

7:05 Discussion about Summer Schedule | 10 Min

- Determine summer schedule for NPA
 - Decided to suspend NPA meetings for Ward 8 for July 2024 and August 2024

7:30pm Adjourn

- Next Meeting: June 20th @ 6:30pm

Ward 8 Steering Committee:

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