



Coalition for Elliot Park Meeting Tuesday May 7th, 2024 @ 2-3:30pm

Attendance:

Mike Jones, Emma Pachuta, Trudell Dunkley-Johnson, Mike Fox	MPRB
Wako, Jessica Focht-Perlberg	EPNI
Carla Nielson	MPD
Jordan Robertson	NCU
Patty Smith	Aeon
Tom Hayes	Hennepin Healthcare
Jessica Meyerson, Keith Kozerski, Kevin Davy	Catholic Charities
Susan Jagodzinski	Resident
Matt Grillo	Bethlehem College + Seminary

Notes:

• Today: sharing updates from org partners, confirming events + activations for summer, walk to assess Park features together (optional)

• Updates from orgs:

- o Safety Committee had meeting May 6th
- Mike Jones is now re-planning Franklin Steele, will be connected with Elliot Park, timeline to construction is similar
- MPRB is moving forward with temporary lighting/signage safety measures
- Elliot Park has been added to Community Connectors (MPRB) daily route
- EPNI starting combined safety walks + clean-ups, neighbors can sign up to host specific routes within neighborhood
 - Starting early June, tentatively week of June 10
- EPNI Annual Social, May 20th Board seats are open for residents + orgs
- NCU addressing campus trespassing + Metro Transit added cameras to bus stop on Chicago
- Doors Open + Adventurama (HCMC) will be bringing lots of folks to Elliot Park
- Bethlehem College purchased apt building between College + Bethesda, has historically been hot spot for squatting
- 1st Precinct annual open house (with 3rd Precinct) next week

- ETBP Annual Meeting this Thursday, reach out to Shannon/Jessy to RSVP if lost link Shannon sent
- CC experienced incident on weekend on 11th Ave = shots fired at resident, added security staff to address, + possibly adding camera to bus stop

• Coalition Updates:

- Coffee hours start May 8th first session hosted by Coalition
- Funding unlikely to be in Coalition hands this summer due to Dept of Neighborhood Safety RFP process 6+ months' timeline
 - Shannon looking into other options for floating reserves until funded
 - City is at capacity, solution may be inter-govt transfers thru MPRB, etc.
- o Jazz Concert, June 8th, starting at 2pm- possibly food truck + lawn games
- Shannon spoke with Modern Day Me related to graffiti art event
- EPNI + MPRB can possibly support activation- need Board/RFP approval, would be good to identify best events to fund

• Events Updates:

- Summer Kickoff BBQ tentatively June 17, 6-8pm- waiting to hear from other partners to confirm
- Community Safety Forums quarterly (July likely with Metro Transit, MPD, etc.)- tentative June 25th panel with reps from Aeon, CC, and HCMC?
 - Possibly MPRB panel along with design options?
- Can org reps take 20 min walk/lunches in Park, multiple times a week? CC staff doing informally, encouraging without enforcing
- Shannon spoke with Avivo Village about weekly clean-ups + incentivizing participation, Coalition-sponsored, could be opposite Weds of coffee hours
 - CC/Aeon communication can only be advertising, concern residents feel services are conditional with participation
- Outdoor pool + bathrooms will be open last week of May, clean-up volunteers (outside of Coalition) first Saturdays of month
- CC + EPNI setting up harm reduction, verbal de-escalation, etc. trainings
- Park Design Updates:
 - MPRB working with night watch thru Xcel Energy- shining light into park, City of Mpls will be installing temp lighting on 11th (2-3 weeks out)
 - Signage sharing anti-alcohol + anti-loitering ordinances from Parks PD (antismoking is not enforceable by ordinance, is only Park policy)
 - "Children play here"
 - Parks PD can be at any meetings + data provided (not public), M-F 11am-9pm (peaks in data are more related to PD staffing/weather)