



**North Loop Neighborhood Association  
Planning & Zoning Meeting Notes  
June 19, 2019  
6:00 P.M.**

**Colonial Warehouse Conference Lounge, 212 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave N**

1. June Planning & Zoning Meeting was called to order at 6:07 P.M.
2. 9 of 12 committee members were in attendance: Irina Brown, David Miller, Frederick Dawe, Jo Vos, Jerrit Bromley, Joshua Stein, Neil Reardon, Joe McErlane, and Alice Eichholz.
3. **Motion is made by David, seconded by Jo, and unanimously approved by the Board to approve the May meeting minutes with no changes.**
4. Snack Bar (by Bar La Grassa) – Nancy St. Pierre, Owner
  - a. Moving into the former Be'Wiched Deli space. Concept is “the left side of the menu”, aka snacks and small plates. No entrées, but there are slices of New York-style pizza available to order with unique toppings like prosciutto and fun cheeses. Complete with a full-service bar. Semi-casual environment with warm decor for a comfortable feel. There will be two-seater booths against the windows for intimate conversations, and more table/booth seating in the back.
  - b. Plan is to open the Tuesday after Labor Day (September 3<sup>rd</sup>). Hours will likely be 4p-midnight with the exception of Sundays where they plan to close around 10p. There will be an informal “happy hour” from 4 - 5:30p with cheaper wines that don't typically show up on the menu.
  - c. Asking the P+Z Committee to write a letter of support for their liquor license.
    1. **Motion is made by Jo, seconded by Jerrit, and unanimously approved by the Board to write a letter of support for the Snack Bar's liquor license.**
5. Committee Business
  - a. Membership Terms – Most Committee memberships have lapsed and need to be re-elected by the Board. Terms are two years. Process: the Committee makes

their membership suggestions to the Board, and the Board ratifies with an official vote.

Irina proposes waiting until July to elect co-chairs so that we do so with an up-to-date board.

Fred Dawe made the following point regarding electing co-chairs at current meeting: *“The P&Z charter does not set out for the automatic dissolution of the committee if the committee are not re-elected by the charter date. February P&Z committee approvals are administrative deadlines and do not automatically dissolve or suspend the P&Z committee’s activities. As P&Z committee we have held our meetings and made our deliberations, for several months and on important matters. Meaning it is appropriate for us to elect co-chairs today.”*

Committee members voice their preference to elect co-chairs right away to ensure a smooth transition and a functional committee.

1. Committee will elect co-Chairs tonight and provide a list of suggestions for all other Committee members to the Board next week. Committee members are asked to re-evaluate if they can commit to the Committee’s monthly meetings. Though these are volunteer positions, it’s important to have a quorum every meeting!
    1. **Motion is made by Jo, seconded by Jerri, and unanimously approved by the Board to elect Irina Brown and Joe McErlane as the P+Z Committee Co-Chairs.**
  2. Irina will ask the NLNA Board if anyone is interested in joining the P+Z Committee. Currently, Bri Sharkey-Smith from the Board wishes to join the Committee as well as Melissa (Missy) Rotterdam.
  - b. Review of the City approval process for new project developments – NLNA Board will meet with Councilmember Fletcher about what it means for the Committee/Board to “approve” a project and its implications at the City level.
    1. A flow chart would be useful to increase understanding of the process – including the roles of the Planning Commission and the City Council. The Committee requests that a City representative come in and explain the process/fill information gaps. What decisions happen when, and by who?
    2. The Committee also requests that the Councilmember’s office and/or developers update the Committee chairs when there are milestones on developing projects.
6. Neighbor Comments
- a. No neighbors present.
7. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 2019.

Adjourned at 6:49 P.M.