

CITY OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE

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Minutes to the Community Development and Neighborhood Committee on 6/7/11.

Present for the Committee: David Berezniak (DB), Chair, Kurt Wright (KW), Emma Mulvaney-Stanak (EMS);

Staff present: Larry Kupferman (LK);

Others present: Neil Groberg, Jay Vos, Anna Guyton, Peggy Luhrs, Jonathan Leavitt, Danielle Bombardier, Sandy Baird, Liza Cowan, Judith deRancourt, Charley McClintock, Jennifer Shasbager, Rob Fish, Keith Brunner, Joe Solomon.

- 1 & 2) EMS moves, KW seconds approval of tonight's agenda and minutes of 4-4-11; so moved.
- 2) NPA Update: Neil Groberg, Ward 6 steering committee member described the 6-1-11 budget summit as a fair, good and non-partisan process.

3) Public Forum:

Members of the public commented on the current discussion about community standards, and Lockheed Martin in particular. Most all spoke in favor of Councilor Mulvaney-Stanak's draft resolution and some provided written revisions.

4) New Business:

DB wished to review matters that have been before the committee and invites Amber Thibault and others to come to the next CD&NR committee meeting to discuss the status of WIFI in the downtown.

5) Review the status of Community Standards:

DB: looking for city standards that are clear and decisive, that does not legislate private business practices; he questions in particular section (e) of prepared materials provided by Anna Guyton; he provided a hard copy of proposals for the resolution under discussion.

EMS described her thinking as proposed by her draft resolution.

EMS stated the committee chose to focus this effort on contractors/consultants in the climate change area as opposed to a more general approach. There was some confusion on whether

the committee made this decision. EMS suggested LK provide minutes from the February and March CDNR meetings to verify the decision.

KW would like to have testimony from both sides of the discussion.

LK reported to the committee of a proposed climate adaptation symposium at UVM that would bring University of Maryland researchers to Burlington. A CEDO staff person has been working on developing the symposium based on a discussion with University of Maryland and Lockheed Martin personnel about this possibility.

Jonathan Leavitt, resident of Ward 2, reminded the committee of the February resolution and particularly the charge to hold a public hearing before the City "agrees to proceed with a proposal involving Lockheed Martin." While this event would be between UVM, the University of Maryland and perhaps other researchers in the field of climate adaptation, members of the committee and the public expressed concern that the conditions in the Feb resolution were not being followed.

EMS noted the February resolution required at least one public hearing to be held before any further work was done between the city and Lockheed Martin. She expressed concern that the administration did not follow the resolution in light of LK's report on the proposed symposium.

EMS moved that the next meeting be held on 6/28 at 5:30 rather than at the regularly scheduled time in July. KW 2nds and so moved.

KW moved to adjourn at 7:20 pm. EMS seconds and so moved.

Notes submitted by Larry Kupferman.