Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. 66 Malcolm Avenue S.E. Minneapolis MN 55414

Dear members of PPERRIA: We hope to see you at the ANNUAL MEETING of PPERRIA. As usual, it promises to be a full one?COME AND GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS!

Susan Larson-Fleming, PPERRIA President, PPERRIA Voice Mail: 331-2970

## Agenda for our **PPERRIA Meeting** on Monday, April 27, 1998 At **7:00 P.M.** at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church

Decision	Election of 1998-99 Board of Directors an
Information	Proposed Plan for University Avenue by the
Information	1998-99 PPERRIA Budget
Information	<b>Bridal Veil Pond Contamination</b>
Info/Decision	Motion to release \$3000 for Tower Hill Pa

Web URL = <u>http://www.freenet.msp.mn.us/nhor</u>

## Minutes of March 23, 1998 Meeting

1. The 3/23/98 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA) Board/Membership/Neighborhood (B/M/N) meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM at the Prospect Park United Methodist church by Susan Larson-Fleming, president. A quorum was present. There were no additions or corrections to the agenda, copies available at the meeting.

2. Motion, moved and seconded, passed without noes to accept the minutes of the PPERRIA B/M/N 2/23/98 minutes as published in the 3/98 PPERRIA Newsletter mailed to all members.

3. Announcements. Nicole Magnon and Officer Gary Hein, Minneapolis CCP/SAFE, circulated neighborhood crime statistics, the numbers are down except for burglaries. Most burglaries occurred in the Motley neighborhood in buildings that did not have their doors locked at the time of the burglary. "Take an extra few minutes and lock any doors as you go in and out." There were comments on the confusing symbols for the different crime categories as shown on the black and white copy. It was recommended that PPERRIA contact those who compile the statistics and maps. There will be a SAFE cable TV show. Watch for announcements. Marie Rossa, Cabrini church administrator, talked about the discussions on the building of a parking lot on Cabrini?s property on Franklin Avenue SE between the church building and the railroad property. Talk is of a joint use by University Good Samaritan Home and Cabrini church. The church property is zoned residential. Several items need to be worked through before there will be an actual proposal, i.e., lease problems, alternate garden sites, and design consultations with the neighbors... At present no action by PPERRIA is needed. More to come. Lois Willand, Community Events Committee chair, circulated a community calendar (see 3/98 PPERRIA Newsletter). Also a sign up sheet that needs at least five persons who will see that there be "Summer 98 Community Concerts." If interested call her at 378-9697. The best method of publicity, that gets people to attend, is posters and notices left at individual houses. Block watch members doing these two activities provide a general coverage of the neighborhood. Contact Lois at 378-9697, if there is an area for which you would be responsible. In general individuals who put up posters should member to remove them after the activity date. Susan Larson Fleming reminded committee chairs that a one-page committee report needs to be forwarded to her. Circulated were sign up sheets for the Pratt Ice Cream Social, a Village Green planting at Pratt and the neighborhood clean up. There will be the Coop Nursery School bake/rummage sale on 4/18/98 and a SEED general meeting on 5/6/98. Council Member Joan Cambell will be holding a neighborhood meeting concerning the installation of the sidewalk lights. Watch for announcements.

4. Motion, moved and seconded, passed without noes: "To release \$10,000 for Southeast Seniors programming and staff from the PPERRIA/NRP Education C.1. Action Plan." Susan Larson Fleming, Education Committee chair, presented the motion and indicated that this is the third and final portion of the funding for this section. Earlier portions were funded from PPERRIA/NRP Early Access funds.

5. Eleanor Montgomery, Transportation Committee chair, indicated that the Transportation Committee has reorganized. Of immediate concern is the discussion of a traffic calming proposal for the Bedford/Orlin corner. There has been an increase in the use of this intersection as part of a "short cut" to University Avenue SE and/or to Highway 280 and an increase in speed on the streets with a "running of stop signs." This intersection has a number of stops for school busses. Watch for developments on this topic.

6. Susan Gottlieb, PPERRIA/NRP contractor, reported that there are copies of the results of the "Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Plan for the Year 2020" prioritized at the 3/16/98 neighborhood meeting. Copies are at the Luxton Park house and the Pratt building. Call 331-2104 to request a copy. In rank order, receiving the most votes, the first ten were: Protect/improve homes and parks and ensure compatibility between housing areas and industrial/commercial development, develop attic space at Pratt for school/community education, bring freeway noise levels within state guidelines by September 1998, help to develop UNCOLA site by the end of 2000, have a variety of quality child care options in the neighborhood, including child care center, nanny network, sick child care, second shift care and home daycare provider network, establish primary school at Pratt and have secondary facility constructed or renovated nearby, possibly using ANC facilities as a lab high school in collaboration with the University of Minnesota, build quality townhouse on "Kampa" corner of Fourth street/Malcolm SE, provide/maintain landscaping for Pratt village Green, provide additional assistance for owners with sidewalk lighting assessments, replace asphalt pad at base of Tower Hill tower with cobblestone or bricks.

7. Dean Lund, Executive Committee member, reported that the Executive Committee has approved a process for the review and modification of the PPERRIA/NRP Action Plan. This is not to be a major revision of the Action Plan but rather to bring the first years experiences and developments into the plan. It is not the same as the neighborhood 2020 plan. The process has started and watch for many handouts, articles and announcements. 8. Mary Legris, I-94 Noise Abatement committee member, reviewed the recent committee meeting with local state elected officials and Minnesota Department of Transportation (MDOT) regarding existing I-94 road noise in the neighborhood. Good News! Surface treatments and extension of the noise wall in Luxton Park. No agreement on a wall for East River Terrace, but who knows? This is the first additional noise abatement after many, many years of neighborhood work.

9. Florence Littman, Zoning Committee chair, indicated that she was not aware of any "new" zoning issues and this tends to make her nervous. ["who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of city officials, developers..."] The U-YMCA proposed rebuilding at 1801 University Avenue SE in itself is of little controversy. What is of concern is the use of the special zoning change for the area. A larger issue is the University of Minnesota?s use of its property and its affect on the neighborhoods and the cities zoning and land use laws. The draft of the proposed Minneapolis new zoning code continues and it looks as if there will be little change in the residential uses, but changed will be the use of non-residential conditional uses rather than non-conforming use. This should provide a more useful "sunset" clause.

10. Susan Gottlieb reviewed the PPERRIA/NRP contract report as reported in the 3/98 PPERRIA Newsletter. As she will be compiling the community calendar contact her at 331-2104 to include your event or meeting.

11/12. No late breaking news or old/new business.

Motion for adjournment, moved and seconded, passed without noes.

*Respectfully submitted, Daniel Patenaude, PPERRIA Secretary.* Comments and corrections to 117 Arthur Avenue SE or d-pate@tc.um.edu

### **Volunteers Needed for 1998 Pratt Ice Cream Social**

Planning is now underway for the 1998 Pratt Ice Cream Social. As usual, Pratt Council, Early Childhood and Family Education and the Prospect Park Cooperative Nursery School are co-collaborators for the neighborhood festival, which will be at Pratt Community Center from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, May 29. In addition, residents may climb the Prospect Park Water Tower, which will open for its annual tour. There are always lots of food, camaraderie, music and dance, so plan to join the fun. Of course, this will be the first Ice Cream Social on the Village Green. If you can volunteer to help in any way, please call Susan Larson-Fleming at 331-8819.

## **Prospect Park Spring Cleanup**

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> is the big day! Our spring cleanup is being held in conjunction with the Minneapolis Neighborhood Clean Sweep. On this one day, we go around and pick up any trash and brush that has been brought to the curb in people?s front yards in the neighborhood. Trash that will be collected includes non-polluting construction debris including cement, carpeting, scrap wood, scrap metal, and household items. SKB Environmental will pickup small tree branches, shrubs, and brush for free. Have all trash and brush at the curb (not the alley) by 8 am. We?ll meet for breakfast at Tom and Jan Kilton?s house at 1950 East River Road. Trucks will roll at 8:30! Watch for fliers to be delivered to your door. We need volunteers to help with the clean up and pickup. Trucks are being donated by SKB, but we can always use people with pickup trucks. If you?d like to help, or have questions, call Pam Wollum at 632-3747.

#### **Beautify the Neighborhood on April 25**

There will be two opportunities to help with neighborhood beautification on Saturday, April 25. At the **East River Gorge Park** from 9:00-11:00 a.m., neighbors are invited to join in the annual River Cleanup Day. If you are interested in helping, please contact Tom Kilton at 339-3064.

If planting is more your cup of tea, join the forces to landscape the Village Green from 10 a.m. to around 1:00 p.m. at the Pratt Community Center. Call Mary Alice Kopf at 379-7436 for more details. Refreshments and coffee will be available for volunteers.

## NRP Fund Reallocation Process

The PPERRIA Executive Committee has established a process to evaluate the implementation of the NRP Action Plan for the remaining three years and to consider any modifications to or reallocation of funds within the Plan. Although the committee does not anticipate any large-scale changes will be made, they have determined that a comprehensive review of the entire Plan is preferable to incremental changes. Each committee has been given a copy of the reallocation process and timeline for modification requests and a mid-term financial status report of the NRP Plan. A part of the May 18th PPERRIA General Membership meeting will be set aside to discuss the progress made and funds expended to date in implementing the Plan. Then, the Executive Committee will consider all proposals for changes to the Plan and present its recommendations to the community at a second neighborhood-wide meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 24, at 7:00 p.m. (location to be determined). The community will adopt, amend, or reject these recommendations at that meeting. All neighbors are welcome to attend these meetings, whether or not they are members of PPERRIA.

Groups, committees and individuals who would like to propose a reallocation of NRP funds or confirm the use of funds already assigned to an NRP strategy must submit their proposals in writing to the PPERRIA

President by Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Use the form below or submit your own proposal. For further information or questions, please contact Dean Lund at 378-2486 or Susan Gottlieb at 331-2104.

# Indicate below if you have a reallocation request. Then return this form by **Friday, May 15** to PPERRIA President, 66 Malcolm Ave. SE, Mpls, MN 55414.

Name: Phone: Reallocation request:

## **Motion for April PPERRIA Meeting**

Motion: To release \$3000 from the PARC B.2. section of the NRP Action Plan for the printing of cards about Tower Hill Park and the publication of the Hesse-Roise study in booklet form with pictures. The sale of these items will provide funds for future Tower Hill Park projects.

#### **Country by Country Songs and Music Program at Cabrini**

What do German *lieder*, French *melodies*, and American art songs have in common? Can the same "tradition" have inspired Franz Schubert, Claude Debussy, Aaron Copland and Dominick Argento? Whether fluent with art song in all languages or not, you are invited to attend the sessions of the music program Country by Country at St. Frances Cabrini Church. Join pianists Barbara Brooks, Jill Dawe and Charles Kemper, vocalists Cynthia Lohman, Elizabeth Longhurst and Dan Dressen, and host Brooke Portmann for live performance and conversation about songs and music of Germany, France and America from the past 200 years.

There will be three sessions from 7:00-9:30 p.m. on consecutive Thursdays April 30, May 7, and May 14. Each session will explore "national characteristics" in songs and music, relationship between words and melody, how vocalist and pianist decide on the interpretation of a song, the role of audiences in a performance, and why this genre fell into disfavor in some circles and why it is worth exploring anew. Refreshments will be served.

The Country by Country series is presented in part with funds provided by Metro Regional Arts Council by an appropriation from the Minnesota Legislature. Admission is free with a suggested donation of \$5.00 for the food shelf or you may bring a food donation. To register, please call St. Frances Cabrini Church at 339-3023. For further information, you may contact Chris Kosowski at 339-3023.

Reporting period: March 7, 1998 through April 10, 1998. N results:	lajor activities at	nd	
Continued work on environmental initiatives such as negotiating freeway noise solutions		Work	ed to cl
Planned "rain garden" walk through neighborhood with hydrologist		Inves	tigated ]
Began process to look at potential reallocation of NRP funds		Supported va	
Supported production of PPERRIA newsletter		Worked to produce t	
Maintained the Neighborhood Calendar.		Supported the	
Continued to work with city on sidewalk lighting project		Suppo	orted the
Expense for contractors? services:	Hours billed		
Totals 3/7/98→ 4/10/98	266.25		
Totals 10/18/95 → 3/6/98	4,053.10		
Totals 10/18/95 → 4/10/98		4,319.35	

**April 1998 PPERRIA NRP Contractor Activities Report** 

Penorting period: March 7, 1098 through April 10, 1998 Major activities and

Total PPERRIA NRP budget allocated for independent contractor services = \$107,500

## **Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar**

Date and Time	<b>Event and Location</b>
---------------	---------------------------

Saturday, 9-11 am April 25	<b>River Cleanup Day</b> at East River Gorge Park
Saturday, 10 am ? 1 pm April 25	Village Green Landscaping Day at Pratt Community Cente
Monday, at 7:00 pm April 27	<b>PPERRIA Annual Meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Method
Tuesday, at 7:00 pm April 28	Environment Committee meeting at Pratt Community Cent
Thursday, 7:00-9:30 pm April 30	Country by Country songs and music program at St. France
Friday, 5:00 pm May 1	Deadline for May Neighborhood Calendar and Newsletter
Monday, at 7:00 pm May 4	Luxton Park Council meeting at Luxton Park building
Monday, at 7:00 pm May 4	<b>PPERRIA Executive Committee</b> meeting at Prospect Park Church
Thursday, 7:00-9:30 pm May 7	Country by Country songs and music program at St. France
Wednesday, at 5:00 pm May 13	Glendale Resident Organization meeting at 92 St. Mary?s .
Thursday, 7:00-9:30 pm May 14	Country by Country songs and music program at St. France
Friday, by 12:00 pm May 15	<b>NRP Reallocation requests due</b> to PPERRIA President (or at Pratt)
Saturday 8:00 am May 16	<b>Neighborhood Cleanup</b> Start at 1933 East River Parkway

Monday, at 7:00 pm May 18	<b>PPERRIA General Member meeting and neighborhood d</b> <b>fund reallocation process</b> at PPUMC
Thursday, 6:00-8:00 pm May 21	Pratt Council meeting at Pratt Community Center (childcare
Friday, 5:00-8:00 pm May 29	Pratt Ice Cream Social at Pratt Community Center
	<b>Recurring Community Events</b>
Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1 to 4 pm	<b>Food donations</b> can be dropped off at the Care & Share Food Mary?s
Tuesdays, 4 - 5 PM 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday 11:15	Bookmobile at Luxton Park
AM	Bookmobile at Pratt Community Center
4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 9:45 AM	<b>Bookmobile</b> at University Good Samaritan Ctr.
Tuesdays 7:00 pm	Community Choir at PPUMC