

**Saint Paul Planning Commission
City Hall Conference Center
15 Kellogg Boulevard West**

Minutes November 16, 2018

A meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Saint Paul was held Friday, November 16, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Center of City Hall.

Commissioners Present: Mmes. Reveal, DeJoy, Mouacheupao, Underwood
Messrs. Fredson, Khaled, Lee, Lindeke, Ochs, Perryman, Rangel Morales
Risberg, Vang

Commissioners Absent: Mmes. *Anderson
Messrs. *Baker, *Edgerton, Oliver, *Reich, and *Wojchik

*Excused

Also Present: Luis Pereira, Planning Director, Lucy Thompson, Menaka Mohan, Mike Richardson, Michael Wade, Bill Dermody, Planning and Economic Development.

I. Approval of minutes November 2, 2018.

MOTION: *Commissioner Fredson moved approval of the minutes of November 2, 2018. Commissioner Underwood seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.*

II. Chair's Announcements

There was some confusion about the Steering Commission schedule. Chair Reveal asked Mr. Pereira to give us a schedule for next year. She thought it was the last meeting of the month but isn't sure what the bylaws say. We will only actually go ahead with them if we have business. Chair Reveal said she will have a note to the nominating committee within 24 hours and will leave it up to Mr. Pereira to determine a schedule for it. The goal is to get new nominations as soon as possible and then have recommendations and slate of candidates for the January annual meeting. Commissioners Anderson, Reich and Underwood will participate in the nominating committee. Chair Reveal mentioned that she was speaking recently with a political candidate and they were bemoaning the fact that they didn't have good statistical data about the city's demographics and neighborhoods, etc. She mentioned the Planning Commission's work and referred them to the City's website. It is good to reiterate to folks that we have this data and tell them it is available online. Hopefully, we will get a broader use, outside of the Planning Commission and PED.

III. Planning Director's Announcements

Mr. Pereira said at the November 5 Heritage Preservation Committee meeting they voted to recommend to the City Council that the St. Andrew's Church property, on Como, be designated as a local historic district. The next step is that it will come to the Planning Commission for review of consistency with the Comp Plan. If things stay on track, the goal is to bring it to the Comp and Neighborhood Committee as soon as November 28 and potentially consider it at the November 30 Planning Commission meeting. Mr. Pereira also mentioned that we have received an initial draft of the Mississippi River Critical Area Chapter of the Comp Plan from a consultant for staff review. Mr. Pereira then introduced new City Planner, Michael Wade. Mr. Wade will be assisting in zoning studies and with City Planner Bob Spaulding with research and GIS.

IV. Zoning Committee

SITE PLAN REVIEW – List of current applications. (*Tia Anderson, 651/266-9086*)

Two items to come before the Site Plan Review Committee on November 20, 2018:

- St. Croix Linen - 120 Plato Blvd. West, building addition, Polly and Dave Nemer, owners, SPR #18-120710
- MDA lot – 321 Grove Street, lot pavement and site improvements, Mike Remington, Inspect, Inc. Ronn Jansen, Madison Equities, SPR #18-119170

NO BUSINESS

V. Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee

Ford Zoning and Public Realm Master Plan Amendments and Zoning Study – release for official public review and set public hearing date of December 14, 2018. (*Menaka Mohan, 651/266-6093*).

Commissioner Mouacheupao said the Committee met on October 26 to hear from staff about the Ryan Cos. proposed amendments on the Ford site plan. City Planner Menaka Mohan gave a PowerPoint presentation which can be founded at <http://www.stpaul.gov/planning commission>.

Chair Reveal said what we are doing today is considering whether or not to release for public review and set a public hearing date. She said to feel free to ask questions. This is not the day to propose alternatives or changes. She stated we will figure out, once we have scheduled the public hearing, when the committee meeting will be. She urged all of the Commissioners, whether they are on the Committee or not to go, if you have specific recommendations and get them to Commissioner Mouacheupao beforehand so we have early warning.

Commissioner Underwood questioned why the Commissioners didn't get a staff report about this. She said typically we are so paper heavy and was surprised we didn't receive the staff recommendations. She said this is the first time she heard today about the changes Ryan Cos. has proposed and the staff recommendations.

Chair Reveal said that this was true for all of us. She asked if something different happened this time.

Commissioner Mouacheupao mentioned the Planning Commission packet didn't contain the memo and assumed the other Commissioners received the memo.

Ms. Mohan said the memo was posted online and was emailed to the Commissioners with the link on November 13.

Commissioner Underwood said she had received nothing. She stated we have been talking about trying to be paperless. She was unsure what was happening today. She would have read it and is interested in what the changes are.

City Planner Mike Richardson said there were some additional items coming out of the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Committee and staff realized we had omitted in the report, so that took time to get together. He said it was posted on November 13 on the City's website.

Chair Reveal said that when staff has a report, they should let us all know by email and then circulate to the Commissioners as soon as it is available. It should have been in the packet, but it was ready in time for the mailing.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said this is a bit of a change from what we are used to. This also happened at Committee and we were sent a link and some of the Commissioners had it and others didn't because it didn't come in the packet. There needs to be a decision made when we are going to get links, so they should check links. She wanted to know what the expectation was.

Chair Reveal stated she was happy with a link if it is ahead of time. She doesn't want to receive a packet at the start of the meeting.

Commissioner Underwood said we received this packet a week ago. If we are going to make the switch, we need to communicate it. She pauses on making that switch from paper to paperless right now when we are talking about the Ford site.

Commissioner Ochs said we are not properly prepared to comment on the slideshow if we are not supposed to request or provide any changes.

Chair Reveal stated that they could ask questions, but if you have ideas for changes get them to staff but we should have the public hearing and hear the input and then have the committee weigh options.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said she wants to state that today's meeting is about clarifying the presentation and the information of what is being proposed to go to Public Hearing. When it goes to Public Hearing that is when the public and Commissioners can start to really drill down on what changes need to be made.

Chair Reveal said the Commissioners have the opportunity at the public hearing to ask questions from the people that are testifying. We won't discuss policy between us that day, but we certainly can raise issues with people who are testifying. The sooner Commissioners can get questions or concerns to staff the better. We will do a presentation at the public hearing. Everyone will have the opportunity to get back up to date.

Commissioner DeJoy asked what the proposed changes, that we are seeing today are driven by?

Chair Reveal said by staff and the committee.

Ms. Mohan said Ryan has submitted proposed changes to the master plan and staff did a report based on the amendments/changes.

Chair Reveal asked if what we have here is staff's opinion on those changes.

Ms. Mohan answered, yes, in the staff report.

Commissioner Underwood stated that this is the first time in five years that she has not read staff's hard work. It is frustrating, generally, especially on this topic, and how it makes her feel as a Planning Commissioner. She wants to be right on this and that always involves knowing information before that we all take seriously. For the new team and for those involved that we want to be better at this moment right now.

Chair Reveal said that is all good and fair. She encouraged staff to take it under advisement and what she will do is touch base at the end of the conversation to see how people want to proceed. She assumes there has been a date for the public hearing.

Ms. Mohan said the proposed date is December 14, 2018.

Commissioner Underwood asked if the public hearing date could be discussed.

City Planner Lucy Thompson stated she didn't think we would want the Commissioners sending staff all their comments. She said we need to keep them in some central way. We need to do that collectively.

Chair Reveal asked the Commissioners to send comments to her and she will compile them for the public hearing meeting the day we have it. Chair Reveal asked that the Commissioners send to her any concerns or suggestions they have, and she will organize them before the next Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning meeting.

Ms. Thompson said the reason this is confusing is because it is a master plan amendment and there are zoning changes. We decided to do this process, sort of like we do for zoning committee staff reports, where the staff report is available ahead of time and staff has reviewed the proposed changes and has recommendations. She thinks that is why it is confusing. Not only are there the set of amendments that Ryan Cos is proposing to the Master Plan, but you also have our

preliminary recommendations to you and all of that is going out to public hearing. It is a broader planning stuff. We are moving through that process.

Ms. Mohan proceeded with her PowerPoint. There are three actions today. To initiate the zoning study, to consider the zoning code amendments, that correspond to the master plan amendments, and to release the master plan and zoning text amendments for public review, along with this staff report and set a public hearing for December 14, 2018 for the proposed amendments for the Ford Site Master Plan.

Chair Reveal asked if there were questions.

Commissioner Ochs said he is assuming we will see the changes and can compare those with the master plan. He asked if there was a chart that might indicate, in text form, about those proposed changes. He needs more information than that is on this brief slide show.

Ms. Mohan said the staff memo is broken down in different blocks which references on all the pages in the master plan. There is also a link to the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee, and there is a link to what Ryan Cos. submitted. Ryan Cos. submitted a red line version of the master plan that shows all their changes as well as a matrix that numbers every single change and where it is in the master plan. We refer back to that in the staff memo.

Chair Reveal stated they were good summaries, but we haven't seen them. That is the issue. I think this does do one against the other with the rationale and the reason for the staff recommendation. She asked if we could collapse them further, so we can see in one place.

Commissioner Rangel Morales said after Ryan presented a few weeks ago, there were some questions about who was included in the input for these proposed changes. He asked if Ryan Cos. did any additional searching out and tried to get additional feedback from individuals to get more information on their suggested changes.

Ms. Mohan indicated she couldn't answer for Ryan.

Commissioner Rangel Morales asked if they provided any information to Ms. Mohan or staff.

Ms. Mohan stated not beyond the community meetings they had.

Mr. Pereira asked if the question was concerning whether the public had a chance to provide public input around the proposed changes.

Commissioner Rangel Morales said that was correct. When Ryan Cos. presented they indicated how the community was really happy with the new proposal with these amendments and that they were happy about all the ballparks. But when we started questioning, it became apparent that the input was pretty limited to individuals who lived in that neighborhood and not citywide. I think this is an opportunity for the city as a whole and not just for Mac Groveland and Highland Park area.

Chair Reveal asked if someone could describe officially the process for notification on the public hearing and was it sent citywide.

Mr. Pereira said that was correct.

Chair Reveal asked if there were any further outreach or any other discussion beyond that.

Mr. Pereira stated that his understanding of the presentation earlier to the Commission by Ryan was more of a high-level concept of what the proposal was. Whereas what we are considering today is a very detailed set of changes from a zoning and land use perspective. Now we have the specific changes to the master plan. What was presented before was more of a concept of what it is going to look like from a certain scale. Part of what this period is now, is it gives the public at large a chance to comment on the specific changes. What we are trying to do and what the memo says is staff's initial thoughts on each of those things and go line by line and then a chance to have long period in which we consider those changes as a community and make comments and participate in this.

Ms. Mohan said whenever the public hearing date is set, Ryan Cos. will have an opportunity to also present their changes in more detail.

Commissioner Rangel Morales indicated this is the first time he is hearing about this as well and the staff recommendations on it. He is curious if the staff recommendations to remove some of the bike lanes and make them more transit.

Ms. Mohan said how we use them is we refer back to the core principles of the plan and the general knowledge that some things would change when we get a master developer. In particular on one bike lane, this is one thing staff noticed when we were going through, we had inadvertently left them as unprotected versus the rest of the site. So that was one change. The other changes in the street that were how we consider those changes whether we recommend or not. We still felt like this site could be truly multi modal using bike lanes or walking and so you will see in some of the staff recommendations in particular. We felt if Ryan Cos. can show us that bike lanes could still be on that street that is something we would feel comfortable with. There are certain changes they proposed that we looked back at the core principles to see if we could still meet the circulation.

Commissioner Fredson stated he was surprised to see staff recommendation to allow single family homes in the F1 district. This has come up a few weeks ago. He wanted to remind the Commissioners that at the Planning Commission in July of last year and we voted 14-2 to (in response to multi-unit homes being referred to as mansion plexes) and folks believing they were too exclusive. So, a 14-2 vote here to change it from multi-unit homes to townhomes and row houses, that would accommodate 3-16 units or else multifamily houses, so that was the sentiment of the Commission at least a year and a half ago and now the recommendation from staff is to go to single family homes? He said it looks like there are 35 mostly million-dollar mansions along the river. We will hear what folks have to say at the public hearing. He is concerned about the staff recommendation and the proposal from Ryan Cos. on that.

Commissioner Perryman thinks the plan looks too sectioned off, creates separation between the mansions and the rest of the area.

Commissioner Ochs said there is a lot going on and he is concerned that the December 14 date is going to be a bit compressed with holidays coming up and for people to digest things including the Commissioners. The other dates are more complicated. He proposes the public hearing be moved to January 11.

Chair Reveal said we did move it from Dec. 28 because of the holidays to December 14.

Commissioner Underwood said in the minutes that we discussed moving the date.

Chair asked if there were any more questions. She asked the Commission about their recommendation for moving the public hearing date.

Mr. Pereira said at the last meeting we talked about the concern with the December 28 date and we looked at December 14 as a possibility. The other constraint with the January 11 date is we have the Comp Plan scheduled that day and we have an obligation for that date.

Chair Reveal asked about the other dates being December 14, December 28, January 11 and then January 25.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said the reason for going with December 28 is we wanted to give the community an opportunity to come to the meeting, so moving it further up does not meet this purpose. She said she was speaking on behalf of the committee and hoped they didn't mind but said moving it to January 25 would work better.

Chair asked how many would be able to attend on December 28.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said the concern is with the community and not being able to respond in a timely manner.

Chair Reveal said we are talking about seeing if we could do the 28th of December or even later in January which might be a problem with Ryan Cos.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said December 28 won't work for the public due to the holidays.

Chair Reveal said if the Commissioners are willing to have a longer meeting on January 11 and combine it with Comp Plan, she didn't have a problem.

Commissioner Ochs said it would be too contentious to have two major items on the same day.

Chair Reveal said the resolution in front of us today is for December 14. She asked if anyone wanted to propose an alternative resolution.

Commissioner Ochs stated he proposed and moved the public hearing be moved to January 25, 2019. Commissioner Underwood seconded it being moved to January 25, 2019 and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Underwood said she would look for the link. She said she receives emails weekly stating there are links for the Planning Commission packets or to Zoning or other committees. She said she deletes those emails because she receives the packet in the mail. She said we haven't transitioned to electronic packets yet. We get a lot of emails from staff with links that we have already received in the mail. She will find the email and read the staff memo. She gets the sense, what would be super helpful to her and to others, is to see, side by side, what Planning Commission passed, what City Council passed and now what is being proposed and the staff recommendations. She knows what Planning Commission passed was changed by City Council and is now being changed again. She thinks a lot of the commissioners approved the first Master Plan is getting jumbled.

Ms. Thompson wanted to add a few items. This is a perfect example of how all the commissioners are welcome to come to committee meetings. The Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee spent two hours going line by line. She said this would have been a good time for the other commissioners to have come to the committee meetings. There has been a lot of community input from Ryan. This isn't the first time the community has seen it. It has been on our website and she knows the public has looked at the site.

Chair Reveal said she appreciates Ms. Thompson's comments. She asked the Ryan Cos. to please be patient with us. She understands this should be a broader discussion with all the district councils in the City.

Mr. Richardson wanted to respond Commissioner Underwood's suggestion to having a comparison. The way the memo is currently structured is we have compared the adopted Master Plan immediately next to what Ryan Cos. has proposed. He wanted to remind the Commission if they look back they can look at the original Commission's recommendation to City Council to see what was in that.

Chair Reveal stated what you are hearing from the Commissioners is a desire for clarity on this and she does think it is relevant to remind ourselves what we did first and what changed because it was somewhat ambiguous after it got back out of City Council. The Chair said she would be happy to go through the memo to make it clearer.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said she had two comments. She said the Committee did go through this line by line. She said she appreciates staff's ability about how we bring this back to the Commission and she thinks staff did a good job of summarizing it. The issue at hand is that this is a lot of information and we need time. The community is going to have a challenge digesting all of this. She asked how outreach is being done. All agree that the traditional methods are not enough for this item. How are we doing our outreach, so the community at large is being informed? The other point that is still up in the air is that there have been a few suggestions about

how we communicate between staff and Planning Commission and we haven't come to a resolution yet. Are we getting links or are we getting packets? Need to make a decision today.

Commissioner Lindeke said it should be a personal choice; each commissioner should be able to sign up for the kind of communication they want to receive.

Chair Reveal said we have attempted to do that. Perhaps Sonja Butler can poll the Commissioners about how they want to receive their packets. She said she has been paperless for four years and it works great. The more we can reduce the paper the better.

Commissioner Mouacheupao asked if staff could poll the commissioners for paperless or electronic.

Commissioner Khaled said he wanted to point out Commissioner Baker's needing to find a connection point between how the goals in the Comprehensive Plan connect to the operation is on complete display here. This is a full commentary on what could, under our watchful eye, become a slow moving action of inequity. We are all invested in what, in theory, could happen with this site but if a company doesn't share these same values, our only stick is a set of zones. He has the overwhelming sense of foreboding that this site will be for people who normally live there. What we have to do is take it up a step and discuss what it means to operationalize this. We need to engage the Mayor. We should talk to Sharon Kennedy Vickers about what reinventing the institution of what public comment looks like. She is a forward thinking OTC person. We don't have many women of color in these fields, let's press for a reinvention of public comment and have it actually be meaningful. We need the broad fabric of St. Paul. We have to talk about how that could look like. He said he loved the comment from Ms. Thompson about greater participation in committee meetings. He wanted to make a suggestion about possible video channel offerings. We should work with the City's OTC office and look into getting Zoom or other technology where we could login into the meetings. We need to rethink about what forward thinking equity invested technology enabled public commission looks like and we would instantly become an example for the nation. We could change the nature of our conversations. We need to think about this in 2019.

Chair Reveal said she is sympatric to those comments and she wanted to thank staff for their hard work. Commissioner Mouacheupao has been frustrated as well because there hasn't been a broader participation in the Committee.

Commissioner DeJoy said this has been ten years in the making. The City has spent a lot of time and resources on privately owned land to get to this point and she feels like moving the public hearing to December 14 to January 25 shouldn't be a huge hardship and she appreciates the commitment of the developers but this is development that is going to affect generations ahead of us and a one month delay with the public hearing is reasonable.

Chair Reveal asked the Commissioners to please send any comments to her. She and Commissioner Mouacheupao will help organize these comments.

Commissioner Ochs asked if she wanted a timeline on submission of the comments.

Chair Reveal said she wanted the Commissioners to get comments to her no later than January 10. She said she and Commissioner Mouacheupao will review the comments.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said January 18 should be the deadline, so you can compile and get to the committee before January 23.

Chair Reveal indicated that would be hard for her to meet that deadline.

Ms. Thompson said the way Commissioners should be thinking about this is you will be receiving everything that people to send to us ahead of time and when people speak in front of the public hearing. Ms. Thompson's advice is to not have an opinion until you hear what the public has to say, and you can review all of this. She doesn't think it is appropriate to have your comments until you hear from the public. We are putting our staff comments out there and putting Ryan amendments out there. She asked about getting broader community input and what their ideas are about how better to do that. We need to help the developer about how to do that. What can they do before the public hearing, so more people are finding out about this? Ms. Thompson said if the Commissioners have ideas, they should let staff know.

Chair Reveal said she was very much appreciative of Ms. Thompson's comments, but she wants to know what is coming up ahead of time. She has to find a way to manage the hearing and subsequent discussion here and doesn't want to be surprised by any topic. She has every right to ask the Commissioners to communicate with her so that she has that proper preparation and she doesn't think that is inappropriate. She will discuss this with Commissioner Mouacheupao. They may not bring it to the committee, but this information is for her to manage the conversation going forward.

Mr. Pereira said that Mr. Richardson recommends we take action on one and two. It gets us started on the zoning amendments and release of the master plan.

Chair Reveal said we have to release and adopt.

Commissioner Underwood said we don't have a resolution in front of us.

Ms. Mohan said it was in the link.

Chair Reveal said the motion in front of the Commissioners was to initiate the zoning study to consider Zoning Code amendments corresponding to proposed amendments to the Ford Site Zoning and Public Realm Master Plan and release the Master Plan and zoning text amendments for public review and set a public hearing for January 25, 2018 for proposed amendments to the Ford Site Zoning and Public Realm Master Plan and associated zoning text amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lindeke made one comment about the role of public engagement in the upcoming public hearing and said Ford is a bit of an exception. There have been hours and hours of

engagement and having a strong opinion from a Commissioner is totally reasonable. Commissioner Khaled's comment about our values and how engagement occurs, and our technology is important. Being thoughtful about our equity input is important in gathering information. We need to discuss this further in the future. We should flag this as important.

Chair Reveal said she is sympathetic to this issue. She has asked Mr. Pereira to put this as an item on the November 30 Planning Commission agenda and also as a discussion item at the retreat. We will try to do that early in the first quarter. The Chair asked if Commissioner Khaled could involve himself with staff about this new technology. She has been trying to engage in this discussion for three years.

Commissioner Risberg asked for a reminder about the entire public hearing process.

Chair Reveal said staff usually takes approximately two weeks to review the comments, but it depends on how much we have to digest. Staff compiles them and they usually do that without judgement, and they give us what they heard and summarize the key issues that were raised. It then goes to Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee and it is their responsibility to come back to the full Commission with a recommendation with the public comments about what they should forward to the City Council.

Ms. Thompson stated there will be another public hearing at the City Council.

Chair Reveal reminded the Commissioners about their commitment to stay until 11:00.

MOTION: Commissioner Mouacheupao moved on behalf of the Comprehensive and Neighborhood Planning Committee to release the draft for public review and set a public hearing on January 25, 2019. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

VI. Approach to Cultural Destination Areas - Informational presentation by Dr. Bruce Corrie, Planning and Economic Development

Due to time constraints, Dr. Corrie was unable to speak at this meeting. He will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

Rush Line BRT Station Area Planning Update – Informational presentation was given by Beth Bartz, SRF Consulting and Andy Gitzlaff from Ramsey County. Their presentation can be seen at: <http://www.stpaul.gov/planningcommission>

Chair Reveal asked the Commissioners if there were questions.

Commissioner Lee had questions regarding the policy advisory committee and other sub committees. She wondered if there was a way to read the meeting minutes and hear the conversations that were discussed at the meetings. She said once it reaches the Commission, it tends to be very raw and high level. She is interested in the conversations that centered on the technical side and the community side. She thinks it would be helpful to know what the comments have been from the community and what have been challenging and the technical side of it.

Mr. Gitzlaff indicated they were planning to address this further in their presentation. As far as other resources go, he stated they have a public engagement summary document that is 30-40 pages in length that it talks about all the input they have received from the community. Mr. Gitzlaff said they had almost 150 meetings this year and 1500 conversations with people. The document is available at www.rushline.org

Commissioner Mouacheupao had a question about one of the earlier slides, where it showed the Rush Line going over Bruce Vento trail. She asked about the impact is to the Bruce Vento Sanctuary. She stated it is an Ojibwe sacred site.

Mr. Gitzlaff stated the route wouldn't go near the Sanctuary. It travels on Phalen Blvd.

Commissioner Lindeke asked about the projected ridership.

Mr. Gitzlaff said they are in the process of updating those projections. The last estimate was around 8,000 trips per day.

Ms. Bartz from SRF continued with the presentation.

Mr. Gitzlaff said that they are at the next step where they can do the environmental analysis work and putting the background documentation together. They expect to have that out by fall of next year for public review. In the meantime, he said they will continue the dialogue with the public. He also mentioned they are increasing their online presence. He said they have a wiki map that is out there and the public can zoom in on sites and make comments. He stated they will be visiting the district councils next year to keep them informed and updated and get their feedback as well.

Commissioner Mouacheupao asked about the potential land use and the impact that this could have. She stated that with the station areas, such as Payne and Phalen, it was mentioned that new land uses for what is currently commercial is becoming mixed use, increasing the density there. She wanted to know what the relationship between this plan and the Comprehensive Plan was. She said she is excited to imagine a different future.

Ms. Bartz said they were undertaking this exercise to really make sure our station platforms were located in the right spots to achieve the goals to support the Rush Line service and the City's goals of connecting those higher density land uses with good transit corridors. She said that is why they are working with planners from each of the communities, so there is continual conversation and feedback.

Mr. Dermody stated there will be a product at the end of this which the Commissioners may decide to build off of in some way. They have several models about how we do station area planning in the City. We've done the Green Line with huge community involvement. We did Gold Line which was a little more scaled down. There is also the Red Rock Corridor which was led by Ramsey County and Washington County that we just adopted at the end. When they have finished their work here, we could build upon their work in some way or we could launch our own process or we could decide the time isn't right and come back at another time. These are all options.

Chair Reveal asked about the timeline for this piece to be completed.

Mr. Gitzlaff said their timeline for this phase is early 2020. They don't have a date for the station planning. He imagines they will be finished late fall 2019 for people to read and review.

Chair Reveal thanked them for giving a presentation

VII. Transportation Committee

Commissioner Lindeke said the Transportation Committee will be meeting on Monday, November 19 to discuss the Pedestrian Plan.

VIII. Communications Committee

No report.

IX. Task Force/Liaison Reports

No report.

X. Old Business

None.

XI. New Business

Commissioner Fredson wanted to make note that he was excused from the last Planning Commission meeting. It was so noted.

Commissioner Ochs asked what the next steps and process were for notifying Commissioners about how they wanted to receive their information.

Chair Reveal asked Mr. Pereira to handle this. Sonja Butler, Planning Secretary, did poll the Commissioners a while back and not many elected to receive it electronically. We need to update the process again. We should address it soon.

Commissioner Mouacheupao said when the packets are sent out electronically they are in a PDF format. This makes it hard to write notes into the documents. She asked if perhaps they could be send in Word format, so we could add notes.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:35a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Approved November 30, 2018
(Date)



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Secretary of the Planning Commission

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