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Minutes to the Community Development and Neighborhood Committee on 4/4/11.

Present for the Committee: David Berezniak (DB), Chair, Ed Adrian (EA), Emma Mulvaney-Stanak (EMS);

Staff present: Mari Steinbach, Director Parks and Rec, Assistant City Attorney Richard Haesler, Larry Kupferman (note taker);

Others present: Elisa Nelson, Jonathan Leavitt, William Bennington, Jay Vos, Anna Grafton (sp?), Nathaly Agosto Filion, Chris Pearson, Parks and Rec Commission member

1 & 2) EA moves to approve the agenda and meeting minutes from 3/2/11 meeting; so moved 3-0.

3) Public forum:

Members of the public commented on the current discussion about community standards, and Lockheed Martin in particular.

4) NPA update: Elisa Nelson, Ward 5 steering committee related that this was her last meeting since her 5 year term is expiring and she'll take a year off from her NPA duties. She reported on various plans for Green Up Day (May 7th) and took the opportunity to note several important developments for Ward 5:

The Champlain Parkway- the design was changed with citizen input; dog pars- quite a lot of interest in developing a dog park in the south end; improved government transparency; website compatibility would be helpful.

5) Continued discussion on the Lockheed Martin Resolution:

Richard Haesler reviewed for the committee its authority as to approving such an agreement. He stated that the council authority rests with Title 24 of State Statute and the rights of a council to oversee all financial matters and could establish parameters of accepting gifts or grants. Municipalities such as Seattle, Anchorage, and Portland have established parameters. He did not find any specific prohibitions and Elisa Nelson mentioned the School Dept's policy (previously reported to the Committee.)

6) Memorial Auditorium update per Councilor Berezniak's request

Mari Steinbach and Commissioner Pearson reported that there is the following review of Memorial Auditorium underway:

- Review community and capital needs of the facility
- Economic development opportunities with a TIF District and potential Super Block development
- Optimizing its use by the Parks Dept for programming and income.

Parks and Rec Dept subsidizes the Auditorium by \$75K per year; it has very serious maintenance issues but the department has good data now on its uses and fees derived from those uses.