



Corcoran Neighborhood Organization (CNO) Board of Directors

February 12, 2015 Meeting

A RESOLUTION regarding the L&H Station development proposal for 2225 East Lake Street.

WHEREAS, since 2009, Corcoran Neighborhood Organization has engaged its resident members in crafting a master plan vision for the development of 2225 East Lake Street property; in drafting public realm, parking, and sustainability policies that reflect neighborhood values and priorities; and in ongoing design discussions with Hennepin County and the L&H Station development team.

WHEREAS, the Corcoran Neighborhood Organization articulated 14 key principles for the development of this site and communicated these principles with Hennepin County in a letter dated March 31, 2014.

WHEREAS, the Corcoran Neighborhood Organization provided to the Hennepin County development team the program requirements for the continuing operation of the Midtown Farmers Market.

WHEREAS, the Corcoran Neighborhood Organization appreciates the collaboration and engagement of the County and its development team during the process, along with the County's commitment to the public plaza and a permanent home for the Midtown Farmers Market.

WHEREAS, throughout 2014, CNO hosted regular and frequent meetings on the progress of Hennepin County's development vision, culminating with a well attended public informational meeting on February 5, 2015. Over 130 residents attended the meeting in addition to members of the development team, meeting facilitators, and elected officials, and their staff. Feedback was solicited during a pre-meeting open house, through written input attached to project drawings, and through comment forms distributed at the meeting and available through CNO's website. A summary of the received comments is available on the CNO website.

WHEREAS, the Corcoran Neighborhood Organization Board of Directors has evaluated the public feedback and has reviewed the project proposal against the general principles of the Corcoran Midtown Revival Plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corcoran Neighborhood Organization Board of Directors finds that the master plan and Phase I plan proposal presented on February 5, 2015, is both consistent with general principles of the Corcoran Midtown Revival Plan, and supported by the community. Further, CNO recommends that the City of Minneapolis Planning Commission approve Hennepin County's application for a Planned Unit Development with the following conditions:

1. That the County and its development partners continue to actively engage CNO and leaders of the Midtown Farmers Market in design and programming of future phases of the project, including the future Market Plaza.
2. That the County work with the neighborhood to develop a construction management plan that minimizes disturbance and parking impacts to nearby neighborhood residents.
3. That the County commit to working with CNO and Midtown Farmers Market leaders on effective wayfinding strategies during the different phases of construction to mitigate impacts to Market operations and customer access.