



PROSPECT PARK ASSOCIATION



MEETINGS	Committee Meetings <i>2828 SE University Ave, Suite 200</i>	Community Meetings <i>22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC</i>
<p><i>For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the PPA Calendar. All committee meetings take place at the office (2828 University Avenue SE) unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area.</p> <p><u>Donate to PPA</u> Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Community Building Project Committee Friday, January 17, 4:30pm @ Luxton Park Recreation Center</p> <p>Environment Committee Tuesday, January 28, 6:30pm @ Luxton Park Recreation Center</p> <p>Finance & Administrative Committee Friday, January 17, 3:30pm @ Luxton Park Recreation Center</p> <p>N’hood Relations & Outreach Committee TBA</p> <p>Land Use & Planning Committee Thursday, January 9, 6:30pm @ PP United Methodist Church</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Tuesday, January 21, 7 pm @ Luxton Park Recreation Center</p>	<p>Community Meeting & Special Election Monday January 27 PPUMC 6-6:30pm Social Time 6:30pm - 7:30pm</p> <p>PPA Board Meeting PPUMC Monday January 27 7:30pm - 8:30pm</p> <p>(Next meeting on Feb. 24)</p> <p>Management Council <i>Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, January 13, 7pm</p>

PPA Special Board Election

We will hold a Special Election at the January 27 PPA Community Meeting, to fill the vacant board seat. The meeting will start at 6:30pm and will be held at Prospect Park United Methodist Church (22 Orlin Ave SE).

Join the board!

If you are interested in running, please [click here to fill out this Candidate Profile Form](#) by January 17.

Fire and Ice Celebration

Saturday, February 1 Luxton Park, 5:30pm to 8pm

Activities will include a recreational fire, horse-drawn hayrides, music, crafts, and concessions!

The Fire and Ice Festival celebrates the half-way point between the Winter Solstice and the Vernal Equinox. It is a time for reflection, renewal, and peace.

Add your tree to the fire!

Luxton Park staff will be available for tree pick up within Prospect Park during the following dates and times:

- Wednesday, January 8th from 1pm – 7 pm
- Wednesday, January 22nd from 1 pm – 7 pm

If you have a tree you would like picked up within Prospect Park during these times and dates, please request a pick-up via email: szimmer@minneapolisparks.org

If you have a tree and are not ready for it to be picked up, please bring it to the Luxton Park grounds and toss it on the pile at the event!!

Come to the PPA Community Meeting on January 27!

Key topics will include:

Guests from the City of Minneapolis!

David Rubedor, Neighborhood and Community Relations Director, and Casey Carl, City Clerk, will share important information on the US Census and upcoming elections.

Special PPA Election

Come vote in the special election, to fill the vacant seat on the Prospect Park Association Board of Directors! Nominations from the floor will be taken with voting immediately following.

PPA Environment Committee: Climate Action Plan

Want to be part of saving the world? Come hear about Prospect Park's Climate Action Plan and how the neighborhood plans to work together to reduce pollution and greenhouse gases.

The **PPA Environment Committee** will be discussing the climate action plan at the PPA Community Meeting, on January 27.

[Click here to learn more about the Climate Action Plan.](#)

If you have any questions, please email environment@prospectparkmpls.org

Read the MN Daily Article:

[Prospect Park drafts plan to meet Minneapolis climate goals](#)

Join the Community Building Committee!

Our next meeting is **January 17 at 4:30pm**
at Luxton Park (112 Williams Ave SE)

Good news! The pedestrian walkway has been opened! This will improve connections between Williams Ave and Arthur Ave, making it easier for pedestrians (especially kids!) to get to Pratt School and playground.

Two bylaw changes up for a vote at the January 27th PPA Board Meeting

PPA's Board of Directors will vote on two proposed bylaw amendments at the January 27th, 2020, board meeting. PPA bylaws require at least 30-day advance notice to the community of proposed bylaw amendments. These changes were sent out in our last email, on December 18. If you have questions or comments about the proposed amendments, shown below, please email PPA staff at (staff@prospectparkmpls.org). PPA meetings are open to the public and community members are encouraged to attend.

1. Revise Section 6, Vacancy, Article V, Board of Directors

Current: *“Vacancies of elected positions on the Board shall be filled at a special election held at the next regular meeting of the Association. The term of a Director filling an elected vacancy expires at the end of the term the Director is filling.”*

Proposed: *“Vacancies of elected positions on the Board shall be filled at a special election held at a regular meeting of the Association within 130 days of the resignation (see Section 5. Resignation). The term of a Director filling an elected vacancy expires at the end of the term the Director is filling.”*

Rationale: Allow sufficient time to notify and recruit candidates, provide notice to the community, and arrange election logistics.

2. Revise Section 2 Eligibility for Board Service, Article V, Board of Directors

Current: *"Members of the Association must have attended at least 3 meetings of the Association, the Board, or any of its committees within the past year in order to be qualified to hold an elected position."*

Proposed: *"Members of the Association are qualified to hold an elected position."*

Rationale: Remove obstacle to board participation.

Upcoming PPA Community & Board Meetings

Monday, January 27, 2020

at [Prospect United Methodist Church, 22 SE Orlin Ave](#)

6-6:30 pm: Social time

6:30-7:30 pm: Community Meeting

7:30-8:30 pm PPA Board Meeting

PPA Community and Board Meeting Agendas will be available at least 5 days before the meeting, published in a short email newsletter and on the [PPA website calendar](#).

Approved PPA Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports/Minutes approved at the December 9th Board meeting:

Environment Committee - [October 2019](#)

Transportation Committee - [November 2019](#)

Community Meeting - [October 2019](#)

Board Meeting - [October 2019](#)

Community Building Committee - [October](#) and [November](#) 2019

[Senator Kari Dziedzic \(60, DFL\)](#)

[Click here to see her MN State Senate Webpage, and to join her mailing list!](#)

Join the 2020 Census Team and connect with neighbors in Prospect Park

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with the 2020 Census count.

[APPLY ONLINE NOW!](#)

Earn Extra Money! Could you use a little extra income? Jobs for the 2020 Census offer competitive wages that are paid weekly. Authorized expenses, such as mileage, are reimbursed for employees doing fieldwork.

Support Your Community! Decennial census data are used to determine your representation in Congress, as well as how funds are spent for roads, schools, hospitals, and more. Help ensure that everyone in your community is counted in the next decennial census.

Fit Your Schedule! Temporary positions for the 2020 Census feature flexible hours—a perfect fit if you are looking to earn a little extra money, even if you already have other commitments.

Be a Part of History! Every 10 years since 1790, the United States has undertaken the momentous task of counting all of its residents. This is your chance to play a role.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

Twin Cities News and Events

Cam Gordon Ward 2 Update: The e-update ([click here](#)) can be found online.

MWMO Mini Grants Info Session: Have an idea for promoting clean water and habitat in your community? Learn how to apply for a Mini Grant from the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization's (MWMO) Stewardship Fund. Join this free information session, where you can find out more about the grant program, network with others and ask questions. Wednesday, January 15, 12pm – 1pm, MWMO Stormwater Park and Learning Center, 2522 Marshall St. NE. For information, [click here](#).

Minneapolis Vision Zero Action Plan: The City Council has approved the Minneapolis Vision Zero Action Plan, which outlines key steps for the next three years to advance the City's goal of ending traffic deaths and injuries on City streets by 2027. The Vision Zero Action Plan includes 16 strategies and 72 actions to be implemented between 2020 and 2022. [Click here](#) for more info.

Next Step Fund Artist Grant: Funded by The McKnight Foundation, this Metropolitan Regional Arts Council grant provides project grants up to \$5,000 to artists, creators, and makers in any discipline for the purpose of career development and artistic achievement. Applicants may be at any stage of their career, but must demonstrate achievement in their artistic field and have a history of public presentation or community contribution. The deadline is Monday, January 27, 2020. [Click here for more info.](#)

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PPA invites and encourages participation by every resident to each program, service and event organized by PPA. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting us at (612-767-6531) at least 5 days before our event.

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