



July 2020 Mid-Month Newsletter

Virtual Board/Community Meeting

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All are welcome!
Monday, July 27, 2020
6:30 PM

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Meeting access starts at 6:20pm.
Regularly scheduled meeting will be hosted virtually via Zoom.

[Click Here for Meeting Agenda](#)

To get Zoom meeting access, fill out the Google Form below. All Zoom information will be emailed to you directly following submission of the form.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the Community and Board Meeting!

If you have any questions, please email staff@prospectparkmpls.org for assistance.

RSVP here for the Meeting

Attend the 7/27 Board Meeting to Participate in PPA's Community Discussion

The three motions below were considered and approved at the 7/21 Transportation and Safety Meeting and are submitted for consideration/action at the 7/27 PPA Virtual Board meeting.

Motions:

The Transportation & Safety Committee recommends that:

1. PPA sends a letter (draft below) to the charter commission in support of a speedy resolution to allow the proposed public safety charter amendment on the November 2020 ballot (deadline: August 5)
2. That PPA makes plans to engage in neighborhood conversations about community-based safety
3. That the PPA promptly follows up on those plans with a concrete plan for neighborhood-wide workshops/dialogues on the topic of community-based safety regardless of the charter referendum's clearance.

Proposed letter from PPA Board to Minneapolis Charter Commission

Dear members of the Charter Commission

Neighborhood organizations play a unique and important role in Minneapolis's democracy, helping to organize residents on practical matters of local concern, and providing a politically diverse and non-partisan forum for discussion of political issues. They are a conduit between the elected city council and residents. Since the death of George Floyd in May 2020 policing in Minneapolis has become an urgent political issue. Council members passed a unanimous proposal for reform of the governance of police in Minneapolis. Neighborhood organizations have the capacity to quickly organize public meetings for citizens to learn more about the amendment and discuss it prior to the November ballot.

The Prospect Park Association supports the inclusion of the City Council's public safety charter amendment on the November 2020 Minneapolis ballot. We urge the Commission to reach an opinion on the amendment by the August 5 meeting, thereby allowing City Council to submit ballot language before the August 21 statutory deadline. Timely action by the Charter Commission will ensure a citywide conversation and vote on this urgent issue that is so deeply tied to the hearts and minds of the people of Minneapolis.

Members of the Charter Commission have stated the need for further conversations about community safety with neighborhood associations. The Prospect Park Association hereby states our contribution: we are having those conversations as a neighborhood, and we are ready to support public engagement in the referendum. The citywide conversation will continue; our understanding of community safety will evolve. We urge the Commission to perform its civic duty with clarity, honesty, in promptness. We are ready to dig into the hard work of discussing and reimagining community safety. Please do not delay on our account.

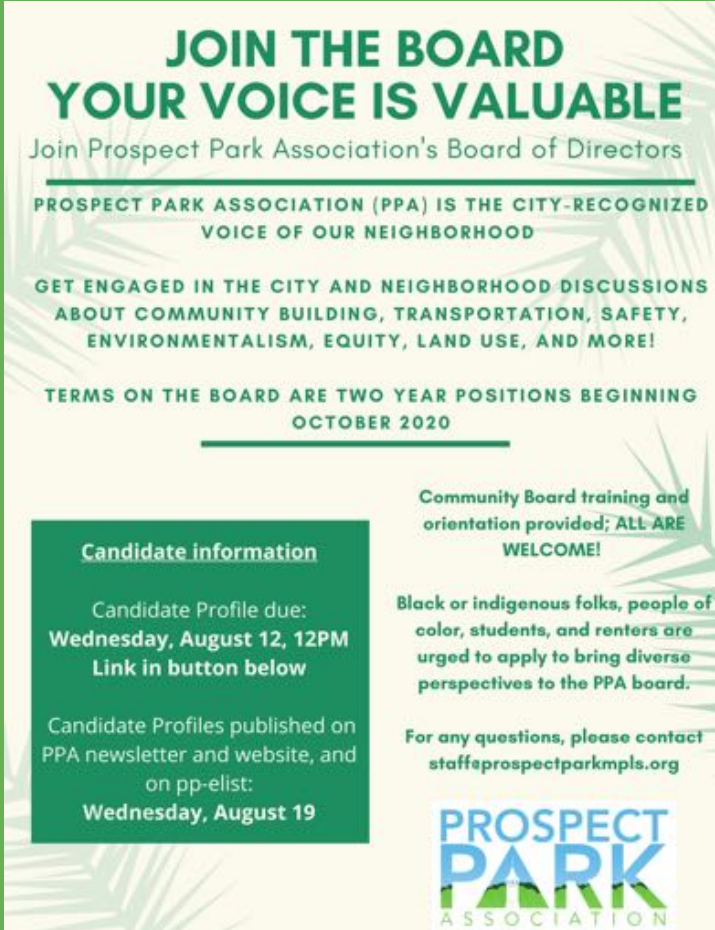
See the Proposed Amendment, view FAQ, and Submit Comments to the Charter Commission [HERE!](#)

Join PPA's Board of Directors

Consider applying to fill one of the seven available seats on Prospect Park Association's Board of Directors. Terms are two years in duration and begin in October 2020.

PPA especially encourages BIPOC*, renters, and students to bring their voices to the board.

For more information, contact staff@prospectparkmpls.org



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YOUR VOICE IS VALUABLE

Join Prospect Park Association's Board of Directors

PROSPECT PARK ASSOCIATION (PPA) IS THE CITY-RECOGNIZED VOICE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

GET ENGAGED IN THE CITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT COMMUNITY BUILDING, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTALISM, EQUITY, LAND USE, AND MORE!

TERMS ON THE BOARD ARE TWO YEAR POSITIONS BEGINNING OCTOBER 2020

Candidate information

Candidate Profile due:
Wednesday, August 12, 12PM
Link in button below

Candidate Profiles published on PPA newsletter and website, and on pp-elist:
Wednesday, August 19

Community Board training and orientation provided; **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Black or indigenous folks, people of color, students, and renters are urged to apply to bring diverse perspectives to the PPA board.

For any questions, please contact staff@prospectparkmpls.org

PROSPECT PARK ASSOCIATION

Click here to complete the Candidate Profile. Due by Wednesday, August 12 at 12 PM

Upcoming Meetings (Virtual)

Land Use and Planning Committee

August 13
7 PM

Environment Committee

July 28
6:30 PM

Management Council

August 17
7 PM

Transportation and Safety Committee

August 18
7 PM

Community Building Committee

August 21
4 PM

Board Meeting

August 24
6:30 PM

[Click here for the PPA Event Calendar and Meeting Access Information](#)

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