

**North Central Neighborhood Planning Council #2
Meeting Minutes ~ October 11, 2011 ~ Neighborhoods, Inc.**

- 1. Call to Order & Welcome:** Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Samuel Gray, Chair.
- 2. Attendance: Members Present:** Lynn Ward Gray, Samuel Gray, Kitty Hillian, Steve Lee, Bill Phillips-NIBC
Members Excused Absence: A.J. Jones-FHC **Members Absent:** Jeffrey Dinkins, Keith McDonald, Sheryl McDonald, Betty Settles and Dorothy Young **City Staff:** Marcie Gillette **Guest:** John Cash, Diana Quigg
- 3. Approval of Previous Minutes:** No quorum, table until November meeting.
- 4. Additions or Deletions to Agenda:** No quorum, no action.
- 5. Correspondence & Announcements:** L. Gray announced Business Summit on Early Childhood Education, Oct. 18, 6-7:30 p.m. at the WK Kellogg Foundation, 2) Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov. 24, 11am-1pm, Full Blast and 3) World AIDS Day-Test Day event on Dec. 1, 2-5:30 p.m. at the Urban League Building.
- 6. City Staff Reports:**
Police Report:
Ofcr. C. Francisco unable to attend, police report was handed out for members to review by M. Gillette.
City Staff Representative:
Code report was reviewed by M. Gillette, explained some terms on the report such as “comprehensive,” “Code 2-property surveys.” She also pointed out the seasonal staff member who addresses weeds is done as of Nov. 1.
City/County Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Gray reported: 1) Waste Management 2012 Holiday schedule was sent via email to members, 2) the Oct. 17th, 6 p.m. Conversations with Commissioner Gray will feature guest speaker city clerk Dee Laser who will present on elections, 3) Additional candidate forums are a) hosted by CC Tea Party, Oct. 27, 7 p.m. at Burnham Brook and b) hosted by Retired Persons Alliance of MI, will be recorded Oct 25-26 at AccessVision and played four times each on AccessVision before the election, 4) the next City Commission Wednesday Workshop is on Oct. 12 at 7:30 a.m., the agenda includes MML convention information sharing, proposed amendment to fund balance policy and the city performance dashboard, and 5) October 4th commission meeting review included a renewal of contract for our city attorney and an announcement that the city manager’s performance evaluation is underway.
- 7. Battle Creek Public Schools:** No representative present. L. Gray pointed out the response from Greg Rickmar that was forwarded via email to members.
- 8. Speaker(s):** City Commissioner at-large candidates John Cash & Samuel Gray gave remarks regarding their candidacy. S. Gray had yard signs if you needed them.
- 9. Committee Reports:**
Membership: No report
Beautiful Battle Creek Award: 39 Northside Drive was submitted.
CDAC: L. Gray sent CDAC meeting schedule and information via email.
- 10. Old Business:** None. **New Business:** 1) A.J. Jones has arranged for a November meeting facilitator, Jim Marshall of Humanergy, to carry us through our final stage of strategic planning; goal setting, and 2) L. Gray spoke of an opportunity for NPC2 to co-sponsor the showing of the movie FRESH, those in attendance agreed.
- 11. Public & Member Comments:** D. Quigg gave M. Gillette properties to address that are outside of NPC2.
- 12. Next Meeting:** Due to Nov. 8 election, a new date, either Nov. 10 at 6 p.m. or Nov. 14 at 7 p.m., will be proposed to members via email.
- 13. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m. by Samuel Gray, Chair

Respectfully Submitted: Lynn Ward Gray, Secretary