

Whittier Alliance Annual Meeting Minutes - DRAFT FOR APPROVAL
Wednesday, May 26, 2021 6:30-8:40 pm
Online via Zoom

Attendees: Nate Broadbridge, Stephanie Brown, Brigid Higgins, Cyndi Hovey, Rae MacDonough, Aldona Martinka, Daniel Perez, Nate Rastetter, Erin Sjoquist, Shinjan Sengupta, Katie Heimer, Abbey Fitzpatrick (LWV), Saralyn Romanishan (LWV), Alex Erickson, Alicia Jackson, Ashley Boldin, Coley, Debbie Friez, Deja' Jendro, Delaine, George Rishmawi, Jenny Rydeen, Jo Ann Musumeci, Kami Brodie, Kari Heimer, Katie F, Laura Jean, Luna, Mike, Marie Campos, Matt Barthelemy, Nick Hutchinson, Nicole Weiler, raediance, Ron Johnson, Joanna Johnson, Sydney Burroughs, Tony Williams, Alec Glass, Lisa Bender, Guy, Jeff Nelson, Jesse Oyervides, Peter, Robert, Shannon Dotson, Theresa Voss, Ben, Elizabeth Shaffer, Theresa Voss, D'Ana Pennington, (call-in participants)

Participating Voters: Dominique Devereaux, Stacey Rosana, Rebecca Williams, Patrick Alcorn, Matt Barthelemy, Ben Bauch, Tom Bissen, Nate Broadbridge, Kameron Brodie, Kaley Brown, Sydney Burroughs, Jeffrey Carlson, Aisha Chughtai, Shannon Dotson, Margo Fritz, Daniel Fuller, Alexander Glass, Katie Heimer, Tamar Herman, Brigid Higgins, Cyndi Hovey, Nick Hutchinson, Deja' Jendro, Justin Kader, Joanna Krause-Johnson, Willow Kreibich, Josh Kreibich, Dave La Violette, Sydney Larson, Zachary Levonian, Linda Martin, Aldona Martinka, Byron Millea, Jeff Nelson, Kendra Perez, Christine Popowski, Nate Rastetter, George Rishmawi, Micah Ruelle, Larry Sanderson, Brandon Schorsch, Madeline Schwartz, Scott Smedberg, Natalie Strait, Nicole Weiler, Hannah Wiesner, Ralph Yehle, Corinne Zwickley, Zach Jendro, Halley Norman, Robb Larson, Greg Kline, Kari Heimer, Kevin Heimer, Fallon Carey, Rae MacDonough, Stephanie Brown, Jen Kader, Larry Ludeman, Shane Morin, Kurt Nelson, Tod Skallerup, Daniel Perez Amparo, Shannon Schooley, Mia Freiberg, Clio Cullison, Gabriel Douglas, Brandon Schorsch, Jo Ann Musumeci, Guy Wagner, Kenneth Keate, Shinjan Sengupta, Will Elsas

Staff: Kaley Brown, Fartun Ismail, Marcus VanderSanden, Oscar Nieves Rubio, Robb Larson

Call to Order at 6:37pm by Whittier Alliance Board Chair, Cyndi Hovey

6:37 - Meeting Called to Order

- **Zoom Meeting Housekeeping: Kaley Brown, Executive Director**
- **Welcome / Present Agenda: Cyndi Hovey, Board Chair**
- **Recognize Standard of Conduct Policy: Brigid Higgins, Vice Chair**

6:48 - Meditation/Grounding: Alicia Jackson (Whittier Resident & Yess Yoga Instructor)

6:55 - Introductions: Board of Directors; Staff; Community

Cyndi invited members to share where they are located and their hopes for the neighborhood.

7:07 - Secretary's Report: Aldona Martinka

- [2019 Annual Meeting Minutes](#)

7:09 - Motion to approve 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

- [Jan 2021 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

7:10 - Motion to approve January 2021 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

- [2020 Bylaws Revision Project Recap](#)

7:13 - New Voting Process & Procedures: League of Women Voters & Kaley Brown

Committee Chair candidates will be elected at Committee Meetings (June 9 for Community Issues, June 15 for Housing Issues).

7:24 - Final Call for nominations**7:25 - Establishment of WA Acting Committees for 2021-2022**

7:28 - Motion: To establish the Housing and Land Use Committee and Community Engagement Committee as the Acting Committees of the Whittier Alliance for the 2021-2022 term (Matt Barthelemy, 2nd George Rishmawi).

7:32 - Neighborhood Artist: tony the scribe (Whittier Resident & Writer, Rapper, Producer)**7:38 - What's Up, Whittier Alliance?**

- **Community Issues/Engagement: Marcus VanderSanden**

Community Issues/Engagement did not formally meet in 2020, but staff and volunteers were still carrying out project work in alignment with committee and strategic plan goals. The structure and areas of focus for the committee have been under review and a recommendation has been put forth on the ballot for areas of focus for this body moving forward. We are looking forward to more community building, community safety and environmental discussions monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

- **Housing Issues: Stephanie Brown**

Housing Issues meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM to protect and expand a variety of housing in the neighborhood. Housing Issues reviews new developments that come to the community, then makes recommendations to the Board. We'll be looking for opportunities this next year to advocate for policy and build out door-to-door engagement. Currently there are three active working teams: K-mart site re-envisioning, Developer engagement & tools, Anti-displacement organizing.

- **Anti-Racism Commitments & YWCA Work: Daniel Perez**

Racial justice requires more than lip service. We recognize the ways in which neighborhood organizations have perpetuated injustice and oppression. Our organization is committed to looking at our culture and approach, budgeting and spending, and advocacy. We've formed a partnership with YWCA Minneapolis to continue this work. We will periodically provide updates on the website to be accountable and invite community members to provide feedback.

- **Public Access & Transparency: Cyndi Hovey**

Board packets are now available to the public, including cover memos, agendas, minutes and supporting docs. A link to where those can be found on the WA website is provided.

- **Treasurer's Report: Nate Broadbridge**

The Whittier Alliance spent less money in 2020 than forecasted, mostly due to lower overhead due to pandemic. We acquired a forgivable PPP loan, which was forgiven, and were able to draw funds from other sources to implement a high-impact mutual aid program which distributed over \$30K to neighbors in need of financial assistance due to the pandemic. We drew lightly on our NRP contract and have 1.499MM still under contract. Nate made a "shameless plug" for those in the audience to donate to the organization and/or send recommendations our way for grants we would be a good fit for. No questions from the crowd.

- **2116 Nicollet Lot: Erin Sjoquist**

Whittier Alliance has a long history of investing in the community. WA has acquired the vacant lot at 2116 Nicolle. The lot is a quarter acre and has been vacant for a few years. We recognize this site is on stolen land and commit to developing this with an equity framework, prioritizing the voices of historically underrepresented communities. WA will take this opportunity to promote a community-led development. The Board will pull together a steering committee for this venture, develop an RFP, review proposals and select a development partner to recommend to the Board.

- **Annual Reports: Kaley Brown**

Annual Reports for 2019 and 2020 are available on the website.

7:55 - New Mural at Whittier International School: Peyton Scott Russell & Student Artists

8:00 - Candidate Forum: League of Women Voters

Deja Jendro: I own a production company and have lived in Whittier for over 4 years. I haven't been involved in volunteering in Whittier, but I volunteer at encampments around the city and George Floyd Square.

Kami Brodie: I've lived in Whittier about 1.5 years, moved from New Jersey. I love the sense of community here, I've gotten involved and helped plan a Night out for Safety and Liberation. I was out on the morning of the election handing out coffee. I've really enjoyed getting to know everyone and doing whatever I can to stay involved.

Jesse Oyervides: A passionate leader is hanging out with the community. I enjoy gardening a lot. We need more wildflowers and bring back the robins and the species that we lost. I want to make sure we represent the seniors and the Somali community and every person in our community. I enjoy Whittier very much.

Cyndi Hovey: I'm a renter and I've been in the neighborhood 6 years now. 3 have been serving on the board: Director, Vice Chair and Chair. Whittier is where I discovered what happens when you show up and believe that you can make change. I'm running for re-election to make sure the initiatives we've started over the past two years continue, and that our focus on equity doesn't get lost.

Sydney Burroughs: Running for non-profit representing MCAD. I have worked in the finance office for the past two years. I have experience in event planning and volunteer management. I work part time at a CPA firm. Worked with WA on their marketing and communication efforts. I want our community members to feel empowered and connected.

Katie Heimer: I have lived and worked in Whittier for 10 years now. First joined the board in 2019 and have a lot of experience in event coordination, and I really enjoy engaging in community events. I've worked on the Eat Street Festival and Community Iftar. Looking forward to continuing as a resident member.

Stephanie Brown: I've lived in the neighborhood for 6 years, and have chaired the Whittier Housing Committee. I love Whittier and love being engaged, so I am running on behalf of Calvary Church, where I've been for the past 8 years and board for the past 4. We see great opportunities to invest back in the community I love.

8:25 - Upcoming Election & Charter Amendment: City Council President Lisa Bender (Ward 10)

- Five Charter questions are working their way through the process of proposing amendments that will go to voters in November. Amendments to the Charter can be initiated by the Council, the Charter Commission or by petition from voters.
 - The Charter Commission has proposed a "Strong Mayor" form of government - my assessment is that it would be a big culture shift for constituents accustomed to going to their council member.
 - The second and third questions are about rent stabilization and rent control under Minnesota law: One would give the City Council and the mayor the ability to adopt a rent control policy,

another would allow voters to initiate a specific rent control policy.

- There is a two step process to give the City permission to be able to consider a future rent control proposal - state law is ambiguous and would allow us to be sued. Under state law, landlords can increase rent by any amount. Places like Oregon and California cap rent increases at 7-10% per year.
- Two other questions are regarding public safety. Both proposals would create a new department of public safety and remove the police department.
 - Would consolidate safety agencies under one department that can focus strategically on violence prevention, unarmed traffic enforcement, and would include law enforcement as one part of the new division. If the citizen-initiated petition (Yes 4 Minneapolis) makes it through the process, the council would withdraw its proposal.

8:35 - Voter Next Steps: Cyndi Hovey

Register to vote to get automatic unique ballot link. Voting period begins tomorrow at 9 AM.

8:37 - Events & Opportunities: Kaley Brown, WA Executive Director

8:38 - Thank You to Outgoing Board Members 2020/2021 - Cyndi Hovey

8:40 - Neighborhood Artist: tony the scribe (Whittier Resident & Writer, Rapper, Producer)

Meeting adjourned at the close of the voting period, Wednesday, June 2nd at 5pm.

Adjourn: 8:40 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Robb Larson

ADDENDUM: 5/26/21 Zoom Meeting Chat Transcript

18:30:57 From BD Cyndi Hovey (she/her) to Everyone (in Waiting Room):

Thank you everyone for being here! We are finishing up getting the interpretation channels set up. We will let you in shortly.

18:35:18 From tony the scribe to Everyone:

for the transcribers - I won't be performing "game over" but otherwise everything is the same

18:43:39 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

IT Support or Tech Issues BEFORE 7pm: direct message Tom (Zoom

18:45:54 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Agenda & Standard of Conduct Link: <https://bit.ly/3vrluJx>

18:47:13 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Chat Monitors: Daniel Perez & Katie Heimer

18:47:29 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Report Private Chat Violations: Directly message Katie Hiemer

18:47:49 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Yess Yoga Website: www.yessyogastudio.com

18:48:51 From julio castillo to Everyone:

can't hear Alicia...

18:54:51 From Delaine (she/her) to Everyone:

That was so lovely

18:54:55 From BD Aldona (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you, Alicia, that was beautiful!

18:54:57 From Matt Barthelemy (he/him) to Everyone:

Thank you Alicia!

18:55:00 From Luna & Mike to Everyone:

Thank you Alicia

18:55:04 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

What are one or two words that describe what you are feeling or thinking following this meditation?

18:55:11 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

Yes, thank you, Alicia! I needed that

18:55:11 From Jenny Rydeen - Mia to Everyone:

Thank you Alicia

18:55:15 From tony the scribe to Everyone:

birdsong

18:55:16 From Delaine (she/her) to Everyone:

light

18:55:28 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

serenity

18:55:29 From George Rishmawi to Everyone:

freedom, blessed

18:55:30 From Matt Barthelemy (he/him) to Everyone:

green. soil

18:55:33 From Deja' Jendro (She/Her) to Everyone:

Calm

18:55:35 From Kami Brodie (she/her) to Everyone:

the freedom of our connectivity - thank you, Alicia!

18:55:37 From Jo Ann Musumeci to Everyone:

relaxed, peaceful

18:55:42 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Thank you, Alicia!

18:55:59 From Alicia (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you everyone!

18:56:56 From Peter to Everyone:

Connectedness...Older tree here, 🌳 Grateful!

19:00:50 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

The Whittier Alliance violated the by-laws by not holding an election for the community.

19:03:05 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Thank you, Daniel and Shinjan!!

19:04:40 From Alicia (she/her) to Everyone:

Hoping for more affordable housing.

19:04:43 From tony the scribe (he/him) to Everyone:

i live in the pretty part of whittier where cars drive too fast. i hope the cars drive less fast. also, no cops.

19:04:44 From Debbie Friez to Everyone:

Hi! I'm Debbie and I live on Harriet and looking to see us develop more community.

19:04:54 From Luna & Mike to Everyone:

Luna and Mike here! Renters at 25th & Blaisdell!

19:05:04 From Kami Brodie (she/her) to Everyone:

28th and Pleasant - I hope we continue to stand vocally and unabashedly for justice, and build a loving, safe community

19:05:10 From Jo Ann Musumeci to Everyone:

Own and live in a house on Pleasant Ave. Hope for continuation of welcoming, connecting with our neighborhood.

19:05:11 From Sydney Burroughs to Everyone:

Hello, I am Sydney, I live on 1st and 24th and work at MCAD!

19:05:12 From Alex Erickson to Everyone:

29th and Pillsbury (Karmel Lake), I'm hopeful for keeping Whittier a working class neighborhood

19:05:23 From Alicia (she/her) to Everyone:

Don't see the poll?

19:05:30 From George Rishmawi to Everyone:

live on 26th and Garfield; hope to get as many community members as involved as possible, and help create an equitable and diverse community through communication, engagement, and development

19:05:32 From Debbie Friez to Everyone:

I don't see it either.

19:05:33 From Kari (she/her) to Everyone:

Resident 2200 block Grand. Build strong community

19:05:35 From Jeff Nelson to Everyone:

Hi! I live kitty korner from the MIA. I've lived in the neighborhood for over 30 years and through many iterations of the Whittier Alliance.

19:05:41 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

24th and 1st, I'm so hopeful for continued and deepening engagement with and in out neighborhood

19:05:42 From Joanna Krause-Johnson to Everyone:

26th and Nicollet owner

19:05:44 From Alicia (she/her) to Everyone:

GOT it

19:05:48 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

click the "poll" button at the bottom :)

19:05:55 From Coley to Everyone:

29th and Pillsbury, homeowner, more great neighbors

19:06:01 From Alec Glass to Everyone:

I live by 27th and Pillsbury – thankful to be with you all! I hope that we can continue to value the diversity of our neighborhood even as our population/businesses grow and move into our neighborhood

19:06:02 From Nick Hutchinson (he/him) to Everyone:

26th & Pillsbury; I hope our community will grow stronger and more vibrant in the coming year

19:06:28 From Jenny Rydeen - Mia to Everyone:

Hi Everyone! Great to be with all of you. My name is Jenny Rydeen. I am the Visitor Experience Manager at the Minneapolis Institute of Art. I also love volunteering in Whittier for the farmers market and eat street social. My hope for the neighborhood, to follow Daniel's lead, is to build a community for everyone and! to create spaces for learning and empathy through art.

19:06:42 From Peter to Everyone:

Living/Renting on 1st, love it, by Spyhouse!

19:06:50 From Ashley Boldin - East Side Neighborhood Service / CULTIVATE.MNs to Everyone:

27th & Pillsbury - maintain diversity while embracing growth

19:07:06 From Deja' Jendro (She/Her) to Everyone:

24th! Hoping for a mental health facility

19:07:40 From Peter to Everyone:

Never saw poll...on phone maybe the issue?

19:07:44 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

2019 Annual Meeting Minutes: <https://bit.ly/3f9U9GI>

19:08:09 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

Peter: I think for people who don't have the latest version of zoom, you were not able to see the poll

19:08:29 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

Laura Jean 25th & Harriet, homeowner here for 17 years, i=I want WA to include more than housing in monthly community meetings. Housing is an important issue but there are many more. By not having a Community Issues Meetings there are fewer opportunities for community members to engage, likewise for the Businesses.

19:08:38 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

If you have a chance to download the most recent version of zoom, I encourage you to do so. We will have more polls in the future, I believe

19:09:36 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

January 2021 Special Meeting Minutes: <https://bit.ly/2RgktFv>

19:11:01 From Matt Barthelemy (he/him) to Everyone:

I live near 25th & Grand. I hope everyone who wants to stay in Whittier are able to stay and thrive. And I hope all of our neighbors are able to feel connected and a valued part of our neighborhood, regardless of how long they've been here.

19:15:02 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

Where can we access a written copy of the voting procedures and policy?

19:17:55 From WA - Kaley, she/her to Everyone:

The written voting procedures for this meeting are available on the Annual Meeting page on our website. Here's a link:

https://www.whittieralliance.org/uploads/8/2/6/0/82609372/wa_voting_procedures_-_may_2021.pdf

19:18:19 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Full 2021 Annual Meeting Voting Procedures: <http://bit.ly/votingprocedures>

19:18:20 From BD Brigid Higgins (she/her) to Everyone:

Also outlined in the bylaws on page 2 and 3 -

https://www.whittieralliance.org/uploads/8/2/6/0/82609372/whittier_alliance_bylaws__revised_and_ratified_1.22.2021_.pdf

19:19:32 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

WA Member Voter Registration Form: www.whittieralliance.org/wavr2021.html

19:19:49 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Election Runner Website: <https://electionrunner.com/>

19:20:25 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

All voting information can be found here: <http://bit.ly/WAMeeting2021>

19:20:47 From BD Aldona (she/her) to Everyone:

That was also my final secretary's report as my board term comes to an end this year (though I still plan to be involved!). I am so grateful to everyone who helped in ways big and small to make the Whittier Alliance a more just and inclusive organization in the three years that I have been lucky enough to be on the board. I am so excited about the candidates that are running this year, I know you'll all do amazing work in our neighborhood. <3 Thank you to my neighbors for electing me three years ago.

19:20:51 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Person Voting Times at WA Office (10 East 25th St):

19:21:04 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Thurs, 5/27: 9am-5pm (Spanish/English)

19:21:20 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:
Thurs, 5/27: 9am-5pm (Spanish/English)

19:21:30 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:
Thank you for all your amazing work, Aldona!

19:21:51 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:
Wed, 6/2: 9am-5pm (English)

19:22:39 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

How will paper ballots be handled in the office? That was a concern for the Special meeting when staff didn't know where to find ballots, or how to handle them once they were completed or a secure place to put them.









19:22:40 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:
Voter Registration Link:
<https://www.whittieralliance.org/wavr2021.html>

19:24:20 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:
Bylaws info, FYI: WA Bylaws English: <https://bit.ly/2QilAD2>
Estatutos de la Alianza Whittier Español: <https://bit.ly/3tINWF5>
Shuruucda Isbahaysiga Whittier Soomaalii: <https://bit.ly/3ybwtc4>
2020 Bylaws Revision Project Webpage: <https://bit.ly/2RVafdt>

19:26:14 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

@Laura Jean, are you concerned about some form of voter fraud at the Neighborhood Organization level? There's a 3rd party involved. I'm curious - when all of the voting information has been posted both now and at the special meeting - what it is you're worried about?

19:29:25 From George Rishmawi to Everyone:
no

19:32:20 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:
    tonyyyyyyyyyy    

19:32:40 From Matt Barthelemy (he/him) to Everyone:
TONY!!!

19:32:49 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:
tony the scribe's facebook page: www.facebook.com/tonythescrībempls/
tony the scribe's bandcamp: <https://bit.ly/3tKK32w>
What's Good, Man? Podcast: www.wgmpod.com/

19:33:06 From tony the scribe (he/him) to Everyone:
someone unmute me!@

19:33:59 From Peter to Everyone:
Hi, Tony!

19:34:23 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

Nicole, I said nothing about voter fraud but to ensure trust and secure voting clear procedures are an important piece of community trust in the process.

19:37:20 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

@Laura Jean, I feel like the voting procedures are incredibly transparent? Not only were they posted in multiple minutes, on the webpage for this meeting, and then read out loud to us by a 3rd party who is facilitating the process... I just don't understand what you're worried about. The process is there.

19:37:32 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:
*out loud, rather

19:38:02 From WA - Kaley, she/her to Everyone:

The process for handling paper ballots can be found on page 3 of the voting procedures document

provided.

19:38:12 From BD Brigid Higgins (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you both for clarifying! I hope the documents linked as well as the explanation in tonight's slides can answer any further questions.

19:38:29 From BD Brigid Higgins (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you Tony!

19:38:35 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Thank you, Tony!

19:38:50 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

Love you Tony!!!!

19:39:35 From BD Aldona (she/her) to Everyone:

That was great, as always, Tony! Thank you!

19:40:00 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Hey all, public comments are welcome, but in case you didn't know about the feature, if you wish to have a one-on-one chat with other community members, you can direct message them if you choose by selecting who can see your messages in the chat window.

19:40:18 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Thanks for your leadership, Marcus!!

19:40:28 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you Marcus!

19:43:05 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you for all your great leadership with housing issues, Stephanie!

19:43:15 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

Thank you for everything, Stephanie!

19:43:35 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

WA Anti-Racism Commitments: <https://bit.ly/3tFcjne>

19:44:09 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Thank you for leading the creation and building the foundation of the Housing Issues Committee, Stephanie! It is what it is, in a very large part, because of your leadership!!

19:45:49 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Board Packets (Cover Memos, Agendas, Minutes, Finances, etc.): <https://bit.ly/3uPzqNh>

19:46:00 From Kami Brodie (she/her) to Everyone:

So glad to see this!

19:48:24 From BD Aldona (she/her) to Everyone:

Seeing that direct aid number makes my heart sing!

19:48:31 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

Love it!

19:48:37 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Thank you for your stellar stewardship as treasurer, Nate! You hit the ground running!

19:48:38 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

Yaas!! Thanks, Nate!

19:50:39 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

There is great video of the houses being moved in the night!

19:50:53 From BD Stephanie Brown (she/her) to Everyone:

Would love to see that!

19:51:01 From BD Cyndi Hovey (she/her) to Everyone:

same!

19:51:21 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

Me three!

19:52:01 From Alicia Gibson to Everyone:

Love all these creative solutions for rehabbing and transitioning homes to more dense housing that also maintains our sense of belonging to time and place, and makes responsible use of irreplaceable old growth forest resources rather than sending them to landfill.

19:53:01 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

This is SO exciting!

19:53:06 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

Well said, Alicia, and ditto!!

19:53:11 From Matt Barthelemy (he/him) to Everyone:

yeah this is huge

19:53:20 From BD Brigid Higgins (she/her) to Everyone:

<https://www.whittieralliance.org/2116-nicollet-ave-vacant-lot.html>

19:53:26 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Big opportunity and a lot of hard work ahead!

19:53:29 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Great summary, Erin!

19:53:32 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

2019 Annual Report: <https://bit.ly/3fQNG1U>

2020 Annual Report: <https://bit.ly/3oPPP28>

Strategic Plan 2019 - 2024: <https://bit.ly/3tKsFuM>

19:53:50 From BD Stephanie Brown (she/her) to Everyone:

We'll also talk more about how to get involved with the lot at the next Housing (tbd, and Land Use) meeting!

19:54:20 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

Love rehabbing but not everything needs more density. We are the most dense neighborhood in the City. Variety is the spice of life.

19:56:49 From BD Erin Sjoquist she/her to Everyone:

Here is more on Peyton's classes: <http://sprayfinger.com/>

19:59:24 From tony the scribe (he/him) to Everyone:

so rad!

19:59:45 From BD Erin Sjoquist she/her to Everyone:

You might also recognize Peyton's art at Cup Foods of George Floyd:
<https://mspmag.com/arts-and-culture/about-the-july-2020-cover/>

19:59:58 From Kami Brodie (she/her) to Everyone:

So great that these kids had this opportunity!

20:00:03 From Laura Jean to Everyone:

Kewl art!

20:00:07 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Amazing project, great video!

20:00:24 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

That was so delightful! Thank you!

20:00:30 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

What a great project! I didn't know the background, but love that mural!!!

20:00:41 From Ashley Boldin - East Side Neighborhood Service / CULTIVATE.MNs to Everyone:

Good call on sharing the video. Needed to see that!

20:00:48 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

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20:00:52 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

Remember to register to vote if you haven't yet: www.whittieralliance.org/wavr2021.html

20:00:52 From Alicia Gibson to Everyone:

Yes! What a great model for meaningful engagement!

20:00:55 From Alec Glass to Everyone:

So great to hear the story and people behind it!

20:01:14 From BD Daniel Perez (He/Him/El) to Everyone:

I agree!

20:01:51 From BD Nate Rastetter (he/him) to Everyone:

You can also find Candidate Info here: <http://bit.ly/WAMeeting2021>

20:04:00 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

OOOOOH that background!

20:05:07 From Deja' Jendro (She/Her) to Everyone:

Thank you! Its from the coven!!

20:05:25 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

My backyard neighbors! Of course it is! Beautiful. Thank you for being here

20:05:35 From BD Katie (she/her) to Everyone:

Awesome! I've been wanting to check out that location

20:05:36 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

Kami! 🔥

20:05:59 From Ashley Boldin - East Side Neighborhood Service / CULTIVATE.MNs to Everyone:

I was a member in the Coven in the North Loop years ago but haven't seen the Whittier location yet. Looks cool!

20:06:04 From BD Nate (he/him) to Everyone:

Great to see you Kami!

20:06:37 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

Yes! They left the North Loop to join us! Took over the top floor of Zeus Jones which is such a clever solution to the pandemic and also getting us something we need in the area!

20:06:47 From Deja' Jendro (She/Her) to Everyone:

They allow community members to walk in and view the new space, highly recommend. Its absolutely beautiful

20:06:50 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

You can get a free week if you contact them! Check them out!

20:09:12 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

VALUABLE SKILLS!!!!

20:11:44 From Nico/le ((she/her)) to Everyone:

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