

Meeting Information

Date: 6/26/2016

Location: Folwell Open House, Mpls

Time: 2-5pm

Invitations sent: MPRB and City communications

Number of attendees providing input: approximately 27

Input and Discussion

What does a successful Upper Harbor Terminal project look like?

Comments on boards and shared with staff

- Would be great to have the train go there-
- Connect the riverfront property to the east of the city
- Have enough park land by river to do future projects
- Make it excisable and appropriate for autism/ special needs children
- Intergeneration access, amenities (not just family stuff) and security
- Construction companies –Internships-young adults interested in getting into construction businesses
- Hire locally
- Lifeguard training plus life skills training
- Fishing- is it safe? Don't like catch plus release

What would bring you to the riverfront?

Comments on boards and shared with staff

- Educational institution
- Route to get there
- Playground/picnic area/ gardens
- The river brings me to the river: space to enjoy it is sometimes blocked
- A trail (because I would bike there)
- Sand volleyball

What qualifications should a development team have?

Comments on boards and shared with staff

- Community development
- Good at complex stakeholder analysis
- Commitment to affordable housing
- Proven ability to plan on a long term housing project
- This project may not be fully released for decades
- Ability to reach out to a very diverse community

Successful redevelopment

- In planning any infrastructure projects (e.g., changes to Dowling), think through possible impacts on existing businesses/organizations and provide workable alternatives to maintain access
- An outdoor area that could be used for events that could generate music/noise without disturbing residents would be valuable, e.g., for cultural festivals
- Should aim to do more than just minimum ADA compliance; seek input on planning and design when we get to planning
- Boy Scouts could perhaps run some programs, as some of the “destinations” could help scouts achieve merit badges

Destinations

- Extreme waterpark
- Parkersburg, WV, did improvements along its downtown riverfront that were very successful. Concert series they do (Park Point Concerts) suggested as a possible model.

The goal is to better understand what the community envisions as a successful riverfront destination. The question was asked "What would bring you to the riverfront?" Each community member was given 5 dots and each number represents the number of dots placed on each picture and category.

Destinations	NorthFirst, Sept 29	AFCAC, Feb 23	Northside Housing Fair, Mar 12	Victory Neighborhood Meeting, March 23	Community Connections Conference, Apr 2	Folwell Ice Cream Social June 16	Juneteenth June 18	SE Asian Soccer Connections June 18	Folwell OpenHouse June 25	TOTAL
Trails	13	8	26	8	10	1	9	5	13	93
Music	9	4	31	5	7	3	16	6	12	93
Restaurant	11	8	29	6	8	5	6	10	6	89
Markets	7	3	30	3	13	3	8	9	2	78
Water Access	8	7	18	3	7	5	15	2	8	73
River Views	11	5	18	3	3	3	4	3	15	65
Water Play	1	1	11	1	1	6	21	13	6	61
Picnic Areas	3	3	19	8	4	2	7	2	11	59
Nature Play	7	3	7	3	7	1	9	4	6	47
Festivals	4	3	7	6	5	2	8	4	5	44
Playgrounds	3	0	9	2	3	10	6	6	3	42
Urban Agriculture	7	2	11	0	6	2	3	3	6	40
Planetarium	5	5	10	2	4	1	6	3	1	37
Fishing	3	1	4	1	3	5	13	3	4	37
Wetlands	5	3	11	1	4	3	2	1	3	33
Gardens	3	0	15	4	4	0	2	2	2	32
Fitness	2	0	11	2	1	3	4	7	1	31
Sports	0	0	1	1	2	4	5	14	3	30
Event Center	6	2	6	4	1	2	2	2	4	29
Concessions	2	3	5	2	3	3	5	1	5	29
Movies	3	0	7	0	3	5	5	4	2	29
Open Green	3	1	4	4	4	3	3	6	0	28
Dog Park	3	0	12	0	5	4	2	1	0	27
Excursion Boat	2	2	7	0	5	1	4	4	2	27
Floating Attractions	5	0	2	1	6	2	2	1	8	27
Taproom	6	2	4	4	6	1	0	1	2	26
Zipline	2	1	6	2	1	3	6	4	1	26
Docks	9	2	2	3	3	1	0	2	3	25
Birdwatching	4	3	9	1	1	1	3	1	1	24
Sculpture Park	2	0	6	2	2	1	5	3	3	24
Climbing	1	1	3	1	3	1	5	2	2	19
Art Studio	1	2	3	0	2	2	4	2	2	18
Tours	0	2	4	0	5	0	1	4	1	17
Community Kitchen	2	0	4	2	1	3	2	1	1	16
Skate Park	0	0	3	0	4	2	3	2	1	15
Museum	2	0	4	2	1	0	0	1	2	12
Skiing	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	3	1	10