

Housing Improvement Partnership

Thursday, March 24th * 8am * Equitable Bank – Community Meeting Room	Meeting Minutes by Nicki Stoltenberg
Attending: Mary Berlie, Cindy Johnson, Dave Richardson, Linna Dee Donaldson, Jeff Reed, Marlan Ferguson, Nicki Stoltenberg, Chad Nabity, Charley Falmlen	

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION / WHO / WHEN
Overview & Discussion of ‘The Flow Chart’ – see attached below.	Charley discussed the Housing Improvement Partnership (HIP), the Executive Board and the pillar structure. The Executive Committee will have goals and the three pillars (Housing Preservation, Housing Development, and Neighborhood Initiatives) will also have goals.	
Overview & Discussion of “The Grid”	<p>Charley discussed the membership of the Executive Board. It was recommended that we add representatives from the GI Board of Realtors and Central NE Home Builders Assoc.</p> <p><u>Executive Goals Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a 3-Year Plan. • Coordination between Workforce Housing Initiative and Investment Club goals will be important. • Land Banks, on-hold until next year. We will continue to watch the development of this through the legislature; possibly next year. • Annual HIP Summit; fall 2016 or spring 2017; Break-out sessions (maybe NeighborWorks), presentations, etc. Federal Reserve as a possible sponsor. <p><u>Housing Preservation Goals Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Rehab. (50 units in 3 years) – City will partner with Housing Development Corp. these dollars will be specific to GI and will be invested in GI. • City of Grand Island Problem Resolution Team was explained. The PRT properties include homes that are typically beyond repair. These funds could be used for demolition, not purchase; 10 properties/year. 	<p>Invite GI Board of Realtors and Central NE Home Builders to assign rep. to the Exec. Board.</p> <p>Contact Cliff Mesner for Investment Club model.</p> <p>Invite private developers to join the Housing Development pillar</p> <p>Invite realtors to be involved in the Neighborhood pillar – Schedule time to speak at GI Board of Realtor meeting.</p>

	<p><u>Housing Development Goals Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 55+ Housing Modification Program - allows for folks to stay in their home longer. Similar to Owner Occupied Rehab. Program for seniors. • The Downtown BID will be monitoring the Downtown Housing Program and this group will monitor development progress. • It was suggested that we invite private developers to join the Housing Development pillar. <p><u>Neighborhood Initiative Goals Discussion:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General purpose of safety (reduction in crime rates), neighbors ‘looking-out-for-eachother’, create and encourage that atmosphere, truly ‘community development’ • It was suggested that we invite realtors to be involved in the Neighborhood pillar, as well as Council members. • As well as Neighborhood Night Out, we should include 4th of July neighborhood celebrations. • The Neighborhood Summit would be held in conjunction with the HIP Summit. CDBG funds could be used for education. 	
<p>Discussion on Pillars & Sub-Committees</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss Meeting Options Discuss Pillar & Sub-Committee Assignments 	<p>Nicki & Charley will invite the GGI Housing and Neighborhood volunteers to the first meeting. We plan to ask everyone to choose a ‘pillar’, will divide folks into their groups and begin the goal implementation process.</p> <p>These meetings, which would be held every-other-month, would last 2-3 hours with the first hour dedicated to Executive business and the later part for the individual pillar goal implementation. We could also include a ‘report-back’ time towards the end as so we remain as transparent as possible.</p>	<p>Nicki / Charley will coordinate the next meeting.</p> <p>Nicki / Charley will ‘assign’ Exec. team members to Exec. goals, as well as other Pillar leadership.</p>
<p>Future Development</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Independent Operation NeighborWorks Logo 	<p>Charley introduced the NeighborWorks program. The website is http://neighborworks.org/Our-Network/Network-Directory.aspx. Communities in Nebraska that have formed NeighborWorks programs at Lincoln, Omaha and Norfolk. NeighborWorks could potentially be the 501c3 organization that operates the HIP.</p> <p>Charley is also exploring a few logos for our group and will present them at the next meeting.</p>	

