




December 2023 Newsletter

MEETINGS	Committee Meetings <i>virtual until further notice</i>	Community Meetings <i>22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC</i>
<p><i>For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the PPA Calendar. All committee meetings are taking place virtually unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Donate to PPA</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Community Building Committee Tuesday, December 5, 4:30pm</p> <p>Environment Committee Tuesday December 12. 6:30pm *Meets at Luxton Park</p> <p>Finance & Administration Committee Thursday, December 14, 6:00pm</p> <p>Land Use & Planning Committee Thursday December 14. 7:00pm</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Wednesday, December 13, 7:30pm</p>	<p>PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting</p> <p>--virtual meeting-- Monday December 4th 6:20pm - 8:00pm <i>Note: access info on PP-elist</i></p> <p><i>All Community Members are welcome!</i></p> <p>Management Council <i>Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, January 15, 2024, 7pm</p>

GET INVOLVED!

[PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information](#)

Donate to Prospect Park Association

PPA needs your contributions to continue serving our neighborhood. Please join us to support PPA [here](#).



Thank you for your support!

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[Please donate to PPA at GiveMN](#)

Simply click for online GiveMN or mail checks to PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.

Prospect Park Association will hold a Community Meeting at 6:30pm on Monday, December 4th to discuss a Merger Exploratory Report.

Do you want PPA/PPERRIA to continue representing our Prospect Park neighborhood or should we merge into a larger organization representing many neighborhoods, including Marcy-Holmes, Southeast Como, and Nicollet Island East Bank?

Four neighborhood organizations, Prospect Park Association (PPA), Southeast Como Improvement Association (SECIA), Marcy-Holmes Neighborhood Association, and the Nicollet Island/East Bank Neighborhood Association received a \$20,000 grant from the City of Minneapolis to explore merging. As part of the grant, Willow Consulting worked with three representatives from each of the four neighborhood organizations and created a [Merger Exploratory Report](#).

A merger is one of the financial strategies PPA is exploring to ensure we can continue fulfilling our mission to serve Prospect Park despite the significant decrease in City of Minneapolis funding.

No decisions have been made yet. The board of each of the four neighborhood organizations is expected to decide by February whether or not they intend to merge. Neighborhood organizations that decide to merge will work with legal counsel to develop a Merger Plan Agreement including new governing documents such as articles of incorporation, mission, bylaws, and also a staffing plan, new organization name, and more. Read the [Merger Exploratory Report](#) for more on the timeline and process.

At PPA's meeting on December 4th there will be a brief summary presentation of the [Merger Exploratory Report](#) followed by opportunities for community feedback.

Email comments or questions in advance of the meeting to finance@prospectparkmpls.org.

Also, here's an [article in the Star Tribune](#) about neighborhood organizations in northeast Minneapolis that recently voted on a merger plan.

[Click here for Meeting Agenda](#)

[Register here for the December Board/Community Meeting](#)

A Video Message from the PPA President



[The Four Corners of Prospect Park on YouTube](#)

The Prospect Park Neighborhood Guide

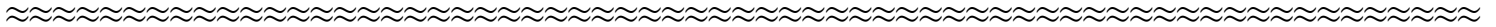


- Upcoming things to do or see in Prospect Park
- Ways to stay connected
- Business and Nonprofit Directory
- Renter Resources
- Local Government Resources
- How to Get Around
- Ways to volunteer on behalf of our neighborhood and more!

[Please share this guide with neighbors—and check it out yourself.](#)

Do you have a suggestion or correction? PPA will update the guide several times per year. Community members to help keep this guide up to date.

[Please suggest a resource for the guide here.](#) Thank you!



From the Environment Committee:

4d Affordable Housing Incentive for Landlords

The city of Minneapolis offers tax breaks and financial assistance on energy upgrades for landlords if they enroll in the 4D program and agree to keep their rents affordable for 10 years. (Example: 2 bedroom apartment rent would be less than \$1,677 per month.)

For more information, check out <https://www2.minneapolismn.gov/government/programs-initiatives/housing-development-assistance/rental-property/4d/>

To ask a Prospect Park landlord who has been in the program for several years about her experience, email environment@prospectparkmpls.org before January 6th.

Deadline to apply is January 11th, 2024.

Do you have questions about your home energy projects?

You can find answers to everything from Dealing With Knob-and-Tube Wiring to Heating System Tune-up to Dealing with Ice Dams at <https://www.mncee.org/home-energy-hub?page=1>.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

December 9 Community Concert at Prospect Park United Methodist Church at 22 SE Orlin Avenue



Come celebrate the Christmas season with the Seymour Brass Sextet on Saturday, December 9th at 7:00pm! They will be performing a Christmas concert that includes a mix of traditional carols and secular songs. The concert will include classics such as Silent Night, Jingle Bells, and more... as well as a personal favorite of sextet member Marilee's: "Joy the World: A Grand Sacred Potpourri"! It's sure to be a lively & festive performance, so don't miss out!

The Seymour Brass Sextet features Jake Gystand on Trumpet & Cornet, KP Powell on Trumpet and Flugelhorn, Bob Garnett on French Horn, Brad Voyes on Trombone, Marilee Johnson on Euphonium, and Derek Nelson on Tuba.



PRATT
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

100% of the proceeds from the freewill offering will benefit our neighbors across the street at Pratt Community School. Pratt receives support from a strong international community fostered by its close proximity to the University of Minnesota. Pratt prides itself on creating an inclusive school community and celebrating its diversity across racial, ethnic and socio-economic boundaries. As a small community school, it offers individualized and active learning experiences where staff knows each child and appreciates them for their unique talents.

North Loop Winter Market

Benefiting the 375 farmers' markets across MN

SAT DEC 16TH
10 AM - 4 PM

501 Royalston Ave N. MPLS, MN



FREE ENTRY & PARKING



FOOD, SHOPPING, FREE HOLIDAY PHOTO BOOTH,
ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



BF50 Indigenous Health is partnering with Sina at Minneapolis Farmers Market Association for the North Loop Winter Market on Saturday, December 16th from 10AM to 4PM at 501 Royalston, an Indoor Warehouse adjacent to the Minneapolis Farmers Market.

I'm inviting you to participate in this wonderful Winter Market event! MFMA has opportunities for you to partner, table or simply get involved with this event.

“Your partnership is crucial in establishing a strong connection with our North Loop Community, especially during the winter months. MFMA has provided information for you to share within your network. Just like at farmers markets, it’s essential to be inclusive and extend the invitation to EVERYONE in our community. We’re counting on your assistance in this effort.” To learn more about the event; please take a glance at the links below.

North Loop Winter Market Info

Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/north-loop-winter-market-tickets-747415428667>

Facebook Events: <https://www.facebook.com/events/764232798843176>

Vendor Signup: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdabVSI0vMXeD-sR_3Ak-7b5ypfv1-gnx4tH1LfyiZGUfQWlQ/viewform?pli=1

Sponsorship Deck: <https://bit.ly/NorthLoopMarket>

MN LIVE PROMO: <https://bit.ly/3MnCtXT>

Hope to see all of you at the North Loop Winter Market on Saturday, December 16th from 10AM to 4PM at 501 Royalston, an Indoor Warehouse adjacent to the Minneapolis Farmers Market!

Britt Howell,

BF50 Health Wellness & Cultural Arts Curator

Ph: 612-888-2748

2024 LUXTON PARK PROSPECT PARK-GLENDALE FIRE & ICE FESTIVAL



FOOD AND GOOD CHEER!

Saturday, February 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Luxton Park Recreation Center & Grounds

112 Williams Avenue SE

612-370-4925



MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD AND EASTSIDE NEIGH



LUXTON PARK STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TREE PICK UP WITHIN
PROSPECT PARK DURING THE FOLLOWING DATES AND TIMES:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3rd
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17th

FROM 1 PM - 5 PM
FROM 1 PM - 5 PM

-IF YOU HAVE A TREE YOU WOULD LIKE PICKED UP WITHIN
PROSPECT PARK DURING THESE TIMES AND DATES PLEASE EMAIL
SZIMMER@MINNEAPOLISPARKS.ORG

IF YOU HAVE A TREE AND ARE NOT READY FOR IT TO BE PICKED UP PLEASE BRING
IT TO THE LUXTON PARK GROUNDS AND TOSS IT ON THE PILE!!!!!!

THANK YOU-LUXTON STAFF



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**Council Member Wonsley:**

**Contact or Share Your Opinion or Address an Issue Any Time**

E-mail Council Member Wonsley and her staff at [ward2@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:ward2@minneapolismn.gov)

Or contact staff directly:

[Policy Aide Celeste Robinson](#)

[Policy Aide Qannani Omar](#)

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[Follow the Off-Campus Living Facebook Page](#) and [sign up here](#) for their newsletter to receive updates on safety, business, and more in the University of Minnesota Campus area. Non-students are also encouraged to participate!



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