

PLANNING & URBAN DESIGN AGENCY
CITY OF ST. LOUIS

• MEMORANDUM •

To: Planning Commission
From: Don Roe, Director
Subject: North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan
Date: December 2, 2015

A presentation and public hearing for the North Riverfront Commercial Corridor Land Use Plan will be held at our December 2, 2015 meeting per public notice procedural requirements for a public hearing. We will vote on adoption as a Topical Plan (PDA-145-15-TOP) at this meeting.

The presentation will be made by a representative of Forum Studios, leader of the Consultant team contracted by Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) and St. Louis Development Corporation (SLDC), in partnership with The City of St. Louis Planning & Urban Design Agency (PDA). Other members of the consulting team included: Urban Strategies, Inc., Development Strategies, Access Engineering LLC, David Mason & Associates, Lochmueller Group, and Vector Communications to prepare the North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan.

As part of the presentation, the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing. The public hearing will follow our standard rules and regulations requiring speakers to sign in and limit their comments to a designated time period. There have been extensive public meetings as part of the planning process.

The public comment and review period is scheduled to end on December 2, 2015. At this Planning Commission meeting, a review of any public comments received along with staff recommendations will be presented and discussed, and a vote will be taken on the adoption of the North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan.

GRG, SLDC and PDA undertook the North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan to develop a new vision riverfront which would take advantage of the location and rich history of the site to develop a world-class destination where one can live, learn, work, and play.

Input from the community and key stakeholders was paramount to this plan. The planning process for the North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan began in January 2015 with the initial meeting of Stakeholders and Technical Advisory Committee members and concluded with a Town Hall Public meeting on July 8, 2015. In addition to the three (3) Stakeholder/TAC meetings, the public planning process also involved two (2) meetings with the affected property owners. This engagement helped to fine tune the plan's guiding principles, as well as its goals and objectives.

Copies of the final draft report of the North Riverfront Open Space & Redevelopment Plan were available for review at the main branch of the St. Louis Public Library and online on the City's web site <https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/planning/documents/north-riverfront-plan-executive-summary-document.cfm>.

Enclosure (Executive Summary of Plan, large fold out images, and the implementation strategy)