Guests: Walter Pebochit,

Approved previous minutes.

Grants committee: 4 neighborhood submitted proposals (all but SJVNA); each had proposals from $20k-$30k each, and the committee decided to give $20k to each group, and save $10k towards a planning process for areas directly impacted by MMC. 

Emma: someone is concerned about the remaining $10k, that it goes through proper process.

Ed: process options: 1. Approve $80k, and reserve $10k for later date. 2. Accept committees report, and not vote, then develop plan and vote next month.

Tim: moves to vote on first $80k. Liz seconds.

Group wants to see all the applications. Tim withdraws.

Liz moves to vote on the $80k. Emma seconds.

Brett will send proposals and what committee has proposed, including that $10k is reserved for later and the group can decide what to do with it. Any vote should be registered by 5pm on Wednesday, March 18. We will not negotiate the package, but you can vote no. We will also develop the proposal for the $10k.

Workplan:
Pasted from draft workplan document:

“Standing Agenda Items (15 minutes total)

- Updates on MMC Expansion Project: Construction, updates, timeline, mitigation
- Subcommittee updates: Grants, Neighborhood Planning
Monthly Special Agenda Items (chairs can add/edit/swap as necessary)

March: Propose new meeting format, committees, and workplan (Ed)
Caring Community Grants - Vote on slate of proposal (Brett, Liz)

April: Healthy neighborhoods partnership (Nell, Jennifer, Tim)

May: Biannual MMC Update: Transportation Demand Management Plan Update (1-3 slides, 5-10 min) Shared parking with neighborhood (Chris Chop, Walter Pebochit?)
Report on Financial contributions of MMC/MH to community 2x/year (1-3 slides, 5-10 min) (Jen)
Anchor Institution/Community Health Update (Beth Wilson?)

June: Neighborhood master planning - 2 hour meeting, review all proposed MMC, Clty, and neighborhood projects, briefing on Avesta Valley Street Project. MMC property development, How/when to return Holt Hall storefronts to neighborhood, Redevelopment of MMC properties, presentation by Complete City group on vision for parking lot

July:
August: Housing
September:
October: finalize 2021 grant process and evaluate 2020 grant progress
November:
December: Biannual MMC Update: Transportation Demand Management Plan Update (1-3 slides, 5-10 min) Shared parking with neighborhood (Chris Chop, Walter Pebochit?)
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Standing Committees:
Grants Committee: Oversee Caring Community Grants
Neighborhood Planning Committee: Spearhead new planning project to include areas impacted directly by MMC.”

Liz & Ed drafted based on feedback, more feedback is welcome.
Walter defers to Jennifer.

Healthy Communities RFP (Nell)
Purchasing office and corporation counsel has signed off on RFP and MMC has in hand. RFP will be open for two months. Currently $210k from Valley Street units.
Tim asks about money from Pizza Villa units. We were told they were going to repay those units. Nell doesn’t know what MMC will do, either.
Lin: is concerned that Maine Med isn’t here today, and no one has authority to make decisions.

Ed: he accepts responsibility for not having the grants info sent in advance. He asks Walter if they can bring back information next month.
Nell: under housing replacement ordinance, new units created need to be within the same census block group.