

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Church Council Meeting Minutes (Informational Update)

Date: May 1, 2025



Subject: Property Vision Team Meeting with Ecumen

Pastor Dale provided the following report to the Church Council regarding the Church Property Vision Team's initial exploratory meeting with Ecumen, held on May 1, 2025:

Participants:

- **Ecumen Representatives:** Shelley Kendrick (President/CEO), Lia Hamilton (Director of New Business Development)
- **St. Paul Lutheran Church Property Vision Team:** Andy Bucannero, Tyler Kroschel, Karen Rozeske, Tom Miller, Neil Gatzow, Christina Fashner, Deb Cowing, Pastor Carrie Stiles, Pastor Dale Stiles. **Absent:** Dave Haselbauer, Wendy Hazzard

Summary:

The meeting was productive and encouraging, marking a strong first step in exploring potential partnerships related to the church's unused land. The teams shared visions, asked thoughtful questions, and established a mutual interest in further conversation.

Ecumen presented several senior housing models they currently offer in other locations, including:

- Cooperative living arrangements (multi-level and/or Town Home options)
- Assisted living with varying levels of care
- Market-rate housing
- Affordable, income-qualified housing

Ecumen committed to conducting a "deep dive" market analysis to assess local housing needs and identify feasible development options. A follow-up report from Ecumen with suggested possibilities will be shared with the Church Property Vision Team within the next two weeks.

Next Steps:

- The Property Vision Team will reconvene after receiving Ecumen's report to evaluate the presented options.
- A tentative meeting date has been set for **Thursday, May 29 at 6:00 p.m.**

Pastor Dale noted that while no formal decisions were made at this meeting, the discussion was meaningful and well-aligned with the church's current and long-term vision. He expressed confidence in both the team's readiness and the Spirit's leading as this process continues.

Church Property Vision Team members were invited to elaborate on their impression of the meeting and Council members were invited to share any thoughts or questions with Pastor Dale or a CPVT member. Further updates will be provided as available.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole England