**AUGUST 16 – 19th**

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020**

**1:10 p.m. Minnesota Twins vs. Kansas City Royals**

**Venue: Target Field**

**Bike Ride/Walk**

**Venue: Midtown Greenway**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Coffee/Breakfast**

**Venue: Mill Museum**

**8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Program Block 1 - Welcome and Twin Cities Overview**

**Venue: Mill Museum**

* Welcome to Minneapolis – St. Paul
  + O’Hara Macken, Vice Chair, ICVLC
  + Sharat Nagaraj, celito.net
  + Jacob Frey, Mayor, Minneapolis (invited)
  + Melvin Carter, Mayor, St. Paul (invited)

**8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Program Block 2 – An in Depth Look Inside Minneapolis-St. Paul**

**Venue: Mill Museum**

* Minneapolis – St. Paul through the lens of the 46th mayor of Minneapolis
  + **MC**: Kristen Hess, Principal, CEO, HH Architecture
  + R.T. Rybak, President and CEO, The Minneapolis Foundation (invited)

**9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**  **Program Block 3 – Bus Tour of Minneapolis**

**11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Program Block 4- Lunch; Comprehensive 2040 Plan**

**Venue: Windows on Minnesota; The Marquette Hotel**

* An overview of the Comprehensive 2040 Plan
  + **Introduction of Moderator**: Danya Perry, Director of Equitable Economic Development of Wake County Economic Development
  + **Moderator**: Lorena McDowell, Housing Department Director, Wake County Government, Housing Affordability & Community Revitalization
  + Heather Worthington, Director, Long Range Planning, City of Minneapolis (invited)
  + Lisa Bender, Council President, City Council, City of Minneapolis (invited)
  + Steve Cramer, President/CEO, Minneapolis Downtown Council (invited)
  + Alison Halley, SVP, Community Lending & Investment, Wells Fargo (invited)

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Program Block 5 – Parks & Open Spaces**

**Venue: Lumber Exchange Event Center**

* An overview of parks and open spaces in Minneapolis – St. Paul
  + **Introduction of Moderator**: Jim Hansen, Regional President, PNC
  + **Moderator**: Sean Malone, President & CEO, Dix Park Conservancy
  + Tom Evers, Executive Director, Minneapolis Parks Foundation (invited)
  + Soren Jensen, Executive Director, Midtown Greenway Coalition (invited)

**3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Program Block 6 – Education**

**Venue: Lumber Exchange Event Center**

* A new initiative aims to improve graduation rates and other outcomes for underserved communities.
  + **Introduction of Moderator**: Anthony Caison, Vice President, Workforce Continuing Education, Wake Tech Community College
  + **Moderator**: Scott Ralls, President, Wake Tech Community College
  + Devinder Malhotra, Chancellor, Minnesota State (invited)
  + Steve Grove, Commissioner, Department of Employment and Economic Development (invited)

**5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Welcome Reception**

**Venue: Aria**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast**

**Venue: Renaissance Hotel**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Program Block 7– C-Suite Panel**

**Venue: Renaissance Hotel**

* A candid discussion from the corner office on some of the critical decisions executives face in today’s society.
  + **Moderator**: Kathy Robideau, Market President & Publisher, Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal (invited)
  + Kate Kelly, Executive Vice President & Regional President, PNC (invited)
  + James Hereford, President and CEO, Fairview Health Services (invited)

**9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. St. Paul Bus Tour**

**10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Program Block 8- Transit/Transportation**

**Venue: Union Depot**

* Bus rapid transit, commuter rail and multimodal hubs a huge focus for Minneapolis – St. Paul.
  + **Moderator**: Bolton and Menck
  + Charles Carlson, Director of BRT Projects, MetroTransit (invited)
  + Charlie Zelle, Chair, Metropolitan Council (invited)
  + Anton Jerve, Senior City Planner, City of St. Paul (invited)

**11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Program Block 9 – Lunch/Addressing the Disparity Gap**

**Venue: A’BULAE**

* In an attempt to strengthen their economy, Minneapolis – St. Paul has decided to focus on equity in income, education and transportation as a viable solution.
  + **Introduction of MC**: DeLisa Alexander, Board Chair, Raleigh Chamber
  + **MC**: Courtney White, Human Resources, BASF
  + Tawanna Black, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Center for Economic Inclusion (invited)

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Program Block 10- Entrepreneurship/Innovation**

**Venue: A’BULAE**

* Minneapolis – St. Paul has excellent initiatives that connect corporate to startups.
  + **Moderator**: Anita Watkins, Director, Rex Strategic Innovations, Rex Health Ventures
  + Jessica Berg, Director, MN Cup (invited)
  + Mary Grove, Partner, Revolution LLC (invited)
  + Neela Molgaard, Executive Director, Launch MN (invited)
  + Casey Shultz, Executive Director, BETA.MN (invited)

**3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Bus to Hotel**

**5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Salute to Elected Officials Dinner**

**Venue: Nicolette Island Pavilion**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020**

**8:00 a.m. Coffee, snack, travel to airport**