

**Minutes**  
**SW Neighborhood Steering Committee**  
**Greentree-Meadowood-Orchard Ridge-Park Ridge-Prairie Hills Neighborhoods**  
**Tuesday, March 27, 2007**  
**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Road**  
**6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**SW Neighborhood Planning Website:** <http://www.cityofmadison.com/swnp/>

**SW Steering Committee Members:** Kara Boeldt; Sandy Erickson; Tim Johnson; Joel Kupferberg; Marge Liss; Tom McKenna; Durrell Ramer; Karen Sielaff; Lisa Subeck;; Bryan Summ.

**Absent:** Ann Barker, Susan Clay; Larry Luther; De’Kendrea Stamps.

**Excused Absent:** Christie Howell-Yrios; Douglas Kammann; Rick Stirr.

**Others:** Karen Deaton; Tony Smick; Marlys Miller; Diane Wensel.

**City Staff:** Jule Stroick, Archie Nicolette, Linda Horvath, Parisa Ford (Department of Planning & Community & Economic Development).

**I. Announcements**

**II. Approval of March 13 Minutes**

On a motion by Douglas Kammann, seconded by Kupferberg, the minutes from March 13 were approved unanimously.

**III. Updates/Status of Neighborhood Activities**

Community Gardens: a neighbor is willing to sell water at a price equal to the difference between the water bill for this year and the water bill for last year.

**IV. Development of Vision Statement**

Vision criteria were discussed at the March 13 meeting. Tim Johnson and Karen Deaton volunteered to draft vision statements based on this criteria. Three statements were presented at the meeting and voted upon (please see attachment for all three statements):

- Statement 1 received 9 votes
- Statement 2 received 3 votes
- Statement 3 was dismissed

Vision Statement 1 will be used to guide the goals, recommendations, and objectives of the plan.

**V. Review/Discussion of Neighborhood Issues and Plan Recommendations**

A set of criteria was also developed to guide the voting process on plan recommendations. Steering Committee members identified 7 criteria, which they voted on to determine which was most important. The **top 4 criteria** were selected. These criteria included:

1. Plan recommendations should address safety and crime (ranked **First Place**).
2. Plan recommendations should address a major problem, prevent future problems, and preserve existing strengths (ranked **Second Place**).

3. Plan recommendations should reflect long-term value for current and future neighborhood residents (ranked ***Third Place***).
4. Plan recommendations should result in permanent green space (ranked ***Fourth Place***).
5. Plan recommendations should be sound, reasonable, feasible, and doable.
6. Plan recommendations should produce significant long-term affects.
7. Proposed activities and projects should have usefulness for the entire planning area.

Steering Committee members prioritized the draft recommendations for Parks and Open Space, Personal Safety, and Transportation according to these criteria. Steering Committee members also made additions to some of the draft recommendations before voting (please see the attached updated list of recommendations). The **top three priority recommendations** in Parks and Open Space, Personal Safety and Transportation include:

#### Parks and Open Space Priority Recommendations

1. Enhance facilities at Elver Park to offer an array of community and recreational opportunities year round. Future uses to explore: community center, swimming pool, splash park, and skiing & snowmaking equipment.
2. Explore developing a dog park (fenced) on the southern end of Greentree Landfill site. Provide at least 100' setback between residential area and proposed dog park. Construct a small parking lot with access off Hammersley near McKenna Blvd.
3. *Two* recommendations ranked as the third priority:
  - a. Develop a fitness trail and walking routes that utilize the existing parks, greenway, and trail systems.
  - b. Explore developing community garden(s) plots within the greenway system:
    - North of Raymond Road (Lucy Lincoln Hiestand Park)
    - South of Hammersley Road (between Loreen Dr and Lynndale Road)
    - Along the south side of Schroeder Road (east of multifamily apartment complex and Park Ridge Neighborhood)

#### Personal Safety Priority Recommendations

1. Assign police services/resources to increase presence in the Bettys-Theresa, Balsam-Russett, and Park Ridge area.
2. Work with the State Department of Corrections, Madison Police Department, and nonprofit organizations to address issues related to probation and parolees living in SW neighborhoods.
3. Explore communications between police/property-owners to deal with/address issues early on.

#### Transportation Priority Recommendations

1. Explore strategies to improve traffic flow while enhancing pedestrian/bicycle safety by installing traffic signals at the following intersections:
  - Raymond Road at Whitney Way
  - Schroeder Road at Struck Street
  - McKenna at New Washburn Way
2. Consider installing streetlights:
  - Along Raymond Road between Cameron Drive and Westbrook Lane.
  - Along Russett Road.
  - Along Schroeder Road at Struck and Forward.

3. Evaluate extending the Lucy Lincoln Hiestand greenway pedestrian/bike path to connect with the bike path at Hammersley Park and to the greenway pedestrian/bike path south of Raymond Road. Pursue funding and construction.

The number of votes received for all recommendations in Parks and Open Space, Personal Safety, and Transportation is also noted on the attachment.

**VI. Next Meetings**

- April 21: A second meeting to complete the planning process will be held on Saturday (time, location?). **CANCELLED**
- April 24: Approve final plan and prioritize CDBG Funding Projects (Approximately \$160,000 will be allocated to the area over a 2-year period to fund eligible projects).

**VII. Adjournment**

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